

**Minutes of the Tudor Area Community Council**  
**May 5, 2005**  
**Rogers Park Elementary School**

Sheli Dodson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. There were 20 members and 6 guests in attendance. The minutes for the April 7, 2005, meeting and agenda were approved without objection.

There were no assembly or legislative reports.

Teri Peters, the northeast park manager for the Municipal Department of Parks and Recreation, spoke about the rules governing park use and the problems TACC residents on Crescent Dr. and MacInnes St. have had with users of David Green Park. The First CME Church, across MacInnes from the park, has had similar problems with park users, such as gun shots, slow police response, parking in the church parking lot and along MacInnes, leaving dog droppings and garbage on church grounds, noise, and drinking. There are not enough Porta-Potties at the park, so park users want to use church restrooms or urinate on the ground.

There seem to be few options available to reduce problems. Police have increased patrols in the area. The Muni can look at limiting the number of people when issuing on permits for use of the park shelter. Parks and Rec. says the church can put up "no parking" signs in their parking lot when needed. Members noted that Kincaid Park is gated at night, and asked if David Green Park could also have a gate installed. Some park users drive over the berm to get into the parking area.

Sgt. Stanton, APD, asks that we continue to call problems in to the police dispatcher. (Contact number below.) She described the number of officers on patrol and their response priorities. She also discussed her tour of homeless camps with Sheli Dodson.

Beth Walker and Brad Larson, Animal Control, spoke about responsible pet ownership and the volunteer program helping at the animal shelter. Animal Control dispatch's number is 343-8138.

Diane Etter gave the Federation of Community Councils report. The mayor is planning on a meeting with community council presidents, and the Muni Assembly has passed an ordinance governing the minimum requirements for community councils.

The long-range transportation plan considering a sunken freeway along the New Seward Highway will probably have a smaller impact on the Tudor area than current plans for widening the Seward Hwy. The planners want comments from the public requesting additional access into the U-Med district before they will consider adding it to their planning. Council members discussed extending Pine St. for U-Med access.

Diane Etter proposed a motion that the community council send a letter to the transportation planners asking for improved access to the U-Med district, preferable a n extension of Pine St. Deanne Tuckerman seconded the motion, and it passed by vote of the council without opposition. The president and Ms. Etter will write the letter.

## **Old Business**

Sheli Dodson reported that the Municipality's Traffic Engineering department now says that nothing is scheduled on the installation of a traffic light at 36<sup>th</sup> Ave and MacInnes St. (Mr. Traini, Assembly Chair, has said that the installation was scheduled for this year. His e-mail is [dtraini@gci.net](mailto:dtraini@gci.net))

Council members also discussed poor drainage at the park. Some runoff water does not reach the drains installed. Water from the park is left standing in the back yards along Crescent Dr.

Linda Wilhelmi moved that the council send a letter to the Municipality asking that they adjust the drains and culvert to improve drainage at the southeast corner of David Green Park to eliminate water from the park flooding back yards. Rich Tuott seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Gloria Sinnett made a motion that the community council send a letter to the Municipality requesting investigation of the health and safety issues caused by water standing in the park and in back yards along the north side of Crescent Drive bordering the park. Kevin Frank seconded the motion, and the council approved it unanimously.

**New business:** None. The president noted that this was our last meeting until September.

Special note: Tod Butler put up signs at each end of MacInnes announcing the TACC meeting. The signs were very effective and were appreciated by the council members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.