Meeting Minutes: October 9th, 2019

Facilitator: Tina Giblin

Meeting began at 7:00pm, Welcome and Introductions commenced.

Approval of August 14th Minutes: Carl Sharak motioned to approve the minutes, Marilyn Madison 2nd, all were in favor.

Approval of September 11th Minutes: Marilyn Madison motioned to approve the minutes, Ethel Johnson 2nd, all were in favor.

Public Officials: Lt. Mahar distributed a crime report for the past month. Questions were taken from the floor. County Legislature Miles Bottrill stated that on Friday the County passed the budget; including keeping the tax rate low, a 1.5 million investment in early childhood intervention as well as funds allocated for the lead prevention initiative. Mr. Bottrill took questions from the floor.

Syracuse Land Bank: Shavel Edwards, *Community Engagement Specialist*:

Ms. Edwards provided a handout indicating the sold properties and vacant structures. Questions were taken from the floor.

County Legislature Candidates Miles Bottrill & Bill Kinne: Both candidates were given 5 minutes to speak. Mr. Kinne stated that he served as the County Legislature from 1991 to 2001; he has been complimented on his past constituent service. A map of the irregularly shaped district was shown. Mr. Bottrill stated that he feels he would represent folks within and outside of the district. He grew up on the Westside, however, spent a significant amount of time in the Valley. He spoke to the current County initiatives that are very important. Constituent service has always been important to Mr. Bottrill.

Committee Updates: Joe Romano stated that the creek endcaps project has been completed. The planning committee has been working extensively on the stream problem, highway problem and the Loretto problem.

Facilitator Elections: Tina Giblin explained the ballot election process; ballots were distributed to the voting members in attendance. 17 Ballots were collected; Joe Romano received 15 votes with 2 abstentions, Tina Giblin received 16 votes, Carl Sharak received 15 votes and Marilyn Madison received 16 votes, all were elected by majority vote.

Announcements & School Notices:

- Betts Branch Library distributed a calendar of events for the month of October with plenty of Halloween activities. Call 315-435-1940 for any questions
- Land Bank 'Buyers Workshop' on October 16th at CNY Philanthropy Center at 6pm.
- Tuesday October 22nd Neighborhood Watch hosting a fall crime prevention and education presentation, in the cafeteria at Lincoln middle school at 6pm: Raise the Age is the topic
- October 10th, Elm school will be planting in the area with the Cornell Cooperative Extension
- Annual fall parade, October 30th, 1:45 at Meachem Park
- Information meetings regarding independent redistricting; Cecile Center October 10th.
- CNY Rise Center hosting annual fundraiser dinner supporting refugee dinners.

Caroline motioned to adjourn at 8:25 pm, Harold 2nd, all were in favor.