



**MAYOR'S NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY TASK FORCE  
MINUTES  
March 21, 2017**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Maryanne Downey  
Clyde Walker  
Esther Patt  
James Moreland  
Kathy Wallig  
Megan McGinty  
Laurel Prussing

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Christopher Stohr  
Jerry Moreland  
John Roska  
Norma Linton  
Theresa Michelson

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John Schneider, Mike Monson, Bob Fitzgerald, Kelly Mierkowski, Dennis Roberts, John and Diane Marlin

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**I. Call to Order**

Mayor Prussing called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on the bus.

**II. Petitions and Communications**

There were none.

**III. Bus Tour**

**A. Hamilton at the Park**

The tour stopped at Hamilton on the Park where John Schneider reported that this complex was a redevelopment of public housing and has 36 units.

He also reported that this complex came to the attention of the Problem Properties group because there were issues with people coming in and committing crimes who did not actually live there. After discussions with the management, a fence was installed.

Bob Fitzgerald added that the Aggravated Criminal Nuisance Ordinance allows the City to work with management to make changes in the leases, install better lighting or have an onsite manager. If the owner does not comply, then charges can be filed under this ordinance resulting in fines.

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## B. Aspen Court

Before discussing Aspen Court, John Schneider directed the group to the former Woodstone Property. This property was condemned and the owner offered to give the property to the City if the City would pay for demolition. This site is currently ready for redevelopment.

Kelly Mierkowski reported that the City and the Housing Authority put together specs and sent them out and Brinshore was chosen as the developer. Brinshore had formerly redeveloped the former Lake Side Terrace site, which is now Crystal View. This site will have lower density and will include some senior housing.

The management at Crystalview has worked well with the Police Department.

There was discussion that Aspen Court went bankrupt and was purchased by Green Street Realty. Green Street found that it was too costly to rehab all units and put the property up for sale. Only 11 units were rehabbed over the last five years. The new developer is TWG who will be applying for tax credits in June. They have closed on the sale and will be transferring management. The Police Department will be working with the new management.

Lt. Fitzgerald reported that the property is better than it was 10 years ago. The exit at Ivanhoe has been blocked off so that there is no thru traffic. He stated that crimes have gone from violent to nuisance crimes.

Dennis Roberts noted that there was a Community Garden put in the LNAC members and in the summer they distribute food on Tuesdays.

Kelly Mierkowski noted that the City has applied for a grant that might help with community gardens.

McGinty indicated that she would like more information on starting a community garden in the King area.

## **VII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jolinda Ross  
Recording Secretary