

Chatham Arch Neighborhood Association   
Tuesday, January 28, 2014  
7:00 pm – Special Meeting  
Firefighters Union Hall, 748 Massachusetts Avenue

Present: Sally Spiers, Christa Thacker, Jason Myers, Don Hanlin, Ann Moore, Teresa Harvey, Barb Tegarden, Steve Thornton, Bram Coomer, Christine Burns, Shane O’Day, Dan Johnson, Tom Elkas, Marie Maude, Clay Miller Linda Hughes, David Kingen, Mark Harvey, Scott Williams, Paul Ross, Laura Bauman, Kevin Brown, Richard Sullivan, Gary Pike, Steve Tegarden

Sally Spiers called the meeting to order at 7:02. This special meeting was called to allow members to hear the latest developments about the relocation of the fire station and the Firefighters’ Credit Union from their current locations.

Fire station relocation – David Kingen

* Due to its cost, this is considered a high-impact project.
* There will be a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on 02/13/14, then a hearing before the Metropolitan Development Commission.
* The landscaping plan is depicted in the materials distributed to members.
* The effect of the relocation on area parking is yet to be addressed; however, it is clear that some spaces on East Street will disappear.
* Trucks will exit on Ft. Wayne Avenue.
* The Red Cross awaits final approval for construction but plans to relocate to the land formerly occupied by the Peyton-Wells auto dealership.

Firefighters’ Credit Union relocation – Mark Harvey and Scott Williams

* Both Mark and Scott wear several hats. In addition to their involvement with the credit union, IFD Chief Mark lives in the neighborhood. Scott, a Wayne Township fireman is the shop steward.
* The credit union started in 1956 and remains, in comparison to other credit unions, fairly small. ($50 million as compared to TCU’s $500 million in assets)
* It is very important for the credit union to be in close proximity to headquarters and the museum.
* Planning for the move started four years ago.
* The Credit Union plans to work within the neighborhood’s UDC process.
* Relocating to the southern portion of the parking lot is not only the last option for the credit union but the best bet for its survival.
* The credit union plans to be an asset to the neighborhood.
* Parking in the neighborhood is a huge issue/problem. Therefore, the relocation plan calls for two additional parking lots.
  + Both will be landscaped and well-maintained, and neither will allow overflow parking for patrons of local restaurants and bars.
  + Parking will be available for neighborhood activities such as Indy Fringe.
  + Neighbors are encouraged to voice their opinions as to landscaping, lighting, etc.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.