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**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CITY OF NEW BALTIMORE
MARCH 26, 2009
MINUTES**

Chairperson Laurie Huff called the meeting to order at 7:04.

Present; Nancy Bowron, Cathie Dupray, Ron Earle, John Semaan, Kim McDaniel,
Dennis Luczak, and Laurie Huff.

Excused; Max Plante, Leigh Johnson

Guest; Marc Levisé

REVIEW OF MINUTES; Motion by John, second by Cathie to approve the minutes as written.

All voting Yes Opposing None Motion carried

ITEM #1 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Only two letters have arrived so far. Tabled until the next meeting.

ITEM #2 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

As members we have narrowed this down to four. Tabled until the next meeting.

ITEM # 3 MAYORS EXCHANGE DINNER

The dinner will be Wednesday May 20th, at the Cedar Glen Golf Course. We have discussed some of the agenda for the evening. Mayor Goldenboggen will be asked to be the speaker for the event; The State of the City would be a welcome topic. There will be a presentation of a Key from Bay-Rama to the Mayor. Bay-Rama donated land to the city; two soccer fields and a parking lot will be used on this property. The reigning Queens will be present. also possibly we will have the ROTC, to present the colors. This will all come together at our April meeting.

ITEM #4 HARBOR SUB COMMITTEE – RON EARLE

Tabled

ITEM #5 THE NEW “GRAND RIVER”

The CAC would like to know that Main Street would be on the list to be fixed. Water collects and is an unsightly hazard.

ITEM#6 HEADLEE AMENDMENT VS VALUE VS TAXES

The spring 2009 issue of the Channel goes over this topic very thoroughly. The Headlee Amendment put a cap of 5% per year on property taxes. This was a fix for escalating property home values. This depressed market we are currently experiencing was not considered.

ITEM #7 GRANT MONEY

Stimulus money is going to be used for Micro Resurfacing Washington Street. A grant for County Line with matching funds. A grant for \$500,000.00. for Cricklewood and Cyprus Streets.

ITEM #8 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

It has been suggested that the CAC open their meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. We will vote on this next meeting.

Ride the Wave Agendas were passed around to members.

Discussion with Marc.

Mentioned was the problem with sidewalks on Base Street, where cracks that were repaired have opened up and are dangerous. The CAC is hoping the city is aware of this problem, as liability could be costly. Dennis talked about the bike path on Jefferson being too narrow since Jefferson was repaired. This is 23 mile to Altman.

The CAC thanks Marc Levis for attending our meeting.
The next meeting will be Thursday, April 23rd.

Motion by John, second by Dennis to adjourn the meeting at 8:19.
All voting Yes Opposing none Motion carried

Minutes respectfully submitted by



Nancy Bowron, Secretary