



**SoWe Lead Board Meeting
Agenda**

May 24th, 2021 5:30 PM
Zoom

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of April 26, 2021 Minutes
3. Presentation from Partners:
 - a. Willow Valley: Southern Market and Mosaic – Chris Ballentine
 - b. Strawberry St Intersection – Fern Dannis
4. Other Items from the Board

Upcoming Events:

5/22 10 - 1pm MLB Pitch, Hit, and Run Event at Colin Field at Culliton Park

6/18 and 6/19 at 7:30 pm YWCA Artist Way Station Juneteenth Film Festival – SoWe Pocket Park (Filbert and Fremont St)

Next Meeting: June 28th, 2021 at 5:30 pm via Zoom



**SoWe Lead Board Meeting
DRAFT Minutes**

April 26th, 2021 5:30 PM
Zoom

Attendees:

Peter Barber, Gene Duncan, Jeff Tischer, Christina Ortega, Luis Ortega, Karen Schloer, Shelby Wormley, Carole Kirchner, Nate Roach, Jeremy Young, Ole Hongvanthong, Dick Hecker, Marie King-Linares, Alex Vasquez, Emerson Sampaio,

Staff:

Stacey Karshin, Mike Mckenna, Mike Osango, Alex Otthofer, Jake Thorsen

5. Call to Order

Gene Duncan called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm

6. Approval of the March 22nd Meeting Minutes

Peter Barber made a motion to approve the March 22nd Minutes. Carole Kirchner Seconded. The motion passed.

7. Report

- a. Tenfold Announcement – Mike McKenna presented about the Tenfold branding as the new name for the merged LHOP/tabor organization.

8. Committee Reports

a. Community Safety

Dick Hecker started that group discussed concerns about Dirt Bikes and a garage was raided on the 700 block of St. Joseph St.

b. Education

Price Elementary will offer 1/2 day summer learning program for kids who fell behind during pandemic virtual learning. Boys and Girls Club will supplement school time to bring kids to Camp Hogan following school hours

c. Economic Opportunity



Alex Otthofer from Lancaster City Alliance stated the façade application period will be open 5/1 to 6/15

d. Housing

The group discussed Tenfold's community lending to support housing renovation and development in SoWe.

e. Neighborhood Connections

Emerson Sampaio updated the group on the Artful Intersection and the Pocket Park Development

f. Parks and Public Realm

MLB Pitch, Hit, and Run – May 22nd at Culliton Park – SoWe is looking for volunteers

9. Adjournment

Luis Ortega made a motion to adjourn, Christina Ortega seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Community Safety Committee

May 10th, 2021

1:30 PM

Zoom Video Conference Meeting

Minutes:

Dave Aichele, Dr. Mary Glazier, Dick Hecker, Martha Montes, Audrey Skilton, SGT Dorsey Sumrall, Jake Thorsen,

1. Community Communication - Shots Fired

Police respond to shots fired calls if reported from community. Numbers of shots fired calls are consistent from the past several months. Make sure people are reporting incidents to the police. Many of the calls to service are anonymous police are not able to follow up.



Committee suggested SoWe make a Facebook post to address shots fired incidents.

Discussion regarding purchasing home cameras was tabled for future discussion.

2. Culliton Park Issues

The committee discussed how do we create a collaborative, comprehensive engagement/enforcement strategy. Committee was updated on incidents occurring at the park. Committee agreed to ask Bicycle Ambassadors to remain at the park during their hours in SoWe for several weeks to help address concerns. SoWe and the City of Lancaster are working to organize a community discussion about the park and grow the Friends of Culliton Park group.

3. Dirt Bikes Follow Up

Police have released photos and have begun engaging groups of riders. Riders can face citations, some small misdemeanors. Police working to identifying garages and groups and engaging groups.

4. Camera Update

Cameras at Culliton park are scheduled to be installed in the next few weeks.

5. Porch Lights Update

10 lights installed in April. New marketing materials being developed and SoWe Coordinator will target the 400 and 500 blocks of Lafayette and 200 block of W. Vine.

6. Bicycle ambassadors

Lancaster City Alliance has entered a new contract with Streets Plus for Ambassador services.

Education Committee

May 13th, 2021

4:00 PM

Zoom Video Conference Meeting

Minutes:

Julian Andaya, Bianca Cordova, Lori Lehman, Jake Thorsen

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1. Partner Updates

Schoolyard Habitat continues to work with Price students in outdoor learning space activities. Bianca Cordova is exploring additional opportunities for artists at residences at Price Elementary.

2. Summer Program

SDoL schools are offering summer education to students who need additional academic support due to COVID-19. School program will run Tues, Wed, Thurs from 9-12. Price currently has 60 students signed up. BGCL has offered participants to attend Jack Walker and Camp Hogan on Monday and Friday all day and Tuesday-Thursday from 12-4 to supplement SDoL summer learning program. BGCL working with Washington, Burrowes and Price for this program.

3. Americorps Vista

Julian Andaya will extend his term of service for another year with Millersville University and Price Elementary. Julian will work to continue to build the SoWe Unite mentoring program. Julian agreed to explore a potential program of working with first graders who tested at a 'gifted level'.

Economic Opportunity Committee

May 5, 2021 9:00 AM

Zoom Meeting

Minutes

Attendees: Peter Barber, Christina DiCola, JJ Gammache, Mike Osango, Jake Thorsen, Jeremy Young

1. Façade Program Open -Outreach Strategy for Manor St.

Jeremy Young outlined ongoing and pending façade projects on Manor St. Mike Osango updated the group on outreach conducted to Manor St homeowners/business owners. Jeremy Young suggested targeting the first block of New Dorwart St for façade improvements.

2. General Business Outreach

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The group agreed to create welcome/outreach packets with items from local merchants. Ole Hongvanthong requested to outreach to the following stores.

- a. Whos next
- b. Angies Variety Shop
- c. Lancaster Creative Factory
- d. Red Rose City Exhaust
- e. New candy shop (St. Joseph and New Dorwart)

3. Tree Well Mulching and Pole Brackets

Clean Crew will work to weed and mulch tree wells along manor St. Jake will get pricing for pole brackets. JJ Gammache will work to organize volunteers to mulch tree wells on King St.

4. Other items from the committee

Jim Gerhart is turning his SoWe blog into a history book about Cabbage Hill.

Housing Committee

May 20, 2021

8:30 AM

ZOOM

Mike Breneman, Christina DiCola Abby Evans, Dick Hecker, Jaylan Martin, Benjamin Meyers, Brian Meyers, Luis Ortega, Mike Osango, Vicente Ramos, Nathan Roach, Miriam Soto, Jake Thorsen, Allyson Wells

1. Eberly Meyers Development Discussion

Brian and Benjamin Meyers introduced a potential development in SoWe. The committee provided feedback on neighborhood concerns and housing needs.



Parks and Public Realm Committee

May 20, 2021

8:30 AM

ZOOM

1. Culliton Park Meeting

The committee discussed recent negative activity at Culliton Park. The city of Lancaster is working with SoWe to organize residents and partners to continue to build ownership of the park. Bicycle Ambassadors and police have increased presence at the park. Programming at the park has started and has been widely used. The park is being used more than it ever has and most of the activity is positive.

2. MLB Pitch Hit and Run

SoWe is hosting an MLB Pitch, Hit, Run event at Colin Field for 5/22 ages 7 -14. Children must pre-register to participate.

3. Park Programming

Lancaster Science Factory is operating pop-up stem workshops at Culliton Park in partnership with SoWe. Aim to Empower Yoga will begin every Tuesday at 6 pm at the park. Lancaster Rec Splash Pad is set to open at the park in June. Lancaster Rec is hiring for pool attendants. Job posting can be found on their website and Facebook.

4. Strawberry Hill Intersection

Fern Dannis and Two Dudes have been selected as the artist for the Strawberry Hill Artful Intersection. The city is working to finalize the site plan.

5. Clean Crew

SoWe hiring for the Clean Crew position.

6. Pocket Park on Filbert

SoWe is partnering with YWCA for a Juneteenth event at the pocket park. The event will be film festival featuring Black film makers while engaging residents to influence pocket park design.

7. Swimming lesson sponsorship

Lancaster Rec and Boys and Girls Clubs of Lancaster have programs to support youth swimming programs.