

**Iles Park Neighborhood Association  
Neighborhood Minutes May 8, 2023  
Iles Park Pavilion**



13 attendees

**Michelle Coffin, President**

- \$2,966.58 in the bank account.
- NNO will be Tuesday August 1.
  - We will reserve Oak St between 6<sup>th</sup> St and 8<sup>th</sup> St.
  - We may have NNO tee shirts for \$12-13 each
  - Polly Poskin from Harvard Park will engage the face painter and balloon person and inquire about blocking off Oak Street.
  - Ask participants to bring tables.
  - Giveaways – keychains or magnets with logo adding name of IPNA.
  - Will still need to get insurance.
  - Ask about sound system (Carol’s neighbor is not longer there.)
- Signs
  - Carol & Michelle need to do a drive-around with TJ Heavysides from the city (or whomever is the traffic sign person)
- Meeting dates for 2023:
  - July 10, Aug 1 - Tuesday NNO, Sept 11, Oct 2
  - No meetings November 2023 through February 2024.

**Officer Cody Musson, NPO**

- NPO number 217-741-0988 doesn’t change even when the specific officer does. Officer Musson’s assignment to Beat 500 ends January 2024.
- Walgreens is closed. It is owned by one company but leased to Walgreens for another three years, and they are obligated to maintain it. They are seeking a termination of least and hoping to re-lease it or sell it. There is an active alarm system in building, and officers check it every day.
- Garbage in the area is a mess. Officers have talked to people and removed them.
- Homeless Outreach (HOT) Officer Neumann 217-741-0981.
- Incident on 7<sup>th</sup> St – MotoMart stabbing: a suspect was arrested, a search warrant obtained for the house, and additional charges are expected.
- There has been an uptick in neighborhood vehicles stolen, especially Kia, Hyundai, and Honda cars with keys – park these cars in the garage if you have them. Officer Musson mentioned an event at Scheels in May where steering wheel locks were being given away.
- The Little Free Library in Iles Park had its door broken and books scattered all over.
- Several neighborhood problem properties were discussed.

**Shawn Gregory, Alderman Ward 2**

- Was in attendance. Call him if you have questions.
- Represents northeast corner of Iles Park.

**Jennifer Notariano, Alderwoman Ward 6**

- Was in attendance and provided her contact information. Call her if you have questions.

Respectfully,

Carol Kneidler, IPNA Secretary