



**April Meeting
South Side Christian Church
2600 South MacArthur Boulevard
Thursday April 14th 2022**

April Meeting Minutes

1. **Welcome** – Katie Davison
 - a. Meeting convened at 7:37am

2. **MBA Business**
 - a. Secretary's Report – Denise Perry
 - i. Motion to approve-Bill, Second-Stephen; all in favor
 - b. Treasurer's Report – Justin Creasey, absent – no report

3. **Local Government Update**
 - a. Alderwoman Ward 6, City of Springfield: Kristen DiCenso
 - i. SEHS-Community meeting regarding Aaron Nichols
 1. Important to stay on top of the problem; not just one
 - ii. Parking lot at MacArthur and Lawrence
 1. received a letter from company wanting additional parking
 2. Alderwoman DiCenso not in favor
 - iii. Sweet Gum tree test happening along Walnut
 - iv. Casa Real Moving Quaker Steak
 - v. Barking dogs-15 minutes of continuous barking, moved to 10 minutes
 - b. Alderman Ward 7, City of Springfield: Joe McMenamin
 - i. People of note in attendance
 1. Josh Sabo, Heartland Continuum of Care-Strategic Plan
 2. Bill Baskett-ICON
 3. Jim- New Store Manager Hyvee
 - a. Neighborhood oriented, specifically regarding schools
 - ii. Town and Country going to auction
 1. \$1.6M, 70% unoccupied
 2. Larkspur Properties-interested party

- a. climate controlled storage
 - b. website-larkspurprop.com
 - c. perhaps a special meeting needed to discuss plans for this space.
- iii. Patching work continues along MacArthur
- c. Mayor Lopez
 - i. New restaurant- where The Barn was located
 - ii. No development at Nieman Foods
 - 1. Serving COVID-19 testing center papers to leave
 - iii. Police department in transition
 - 1. many retiring officers
 - 2. 3FT hired, Many PT officers

4. Old Business

- a. Katie Davison
 - i. Plan meeting with all neighborhood associations
 - ii. Neighborhood Clean-up
 - 1. Julie Dirksen-April 30th
- b. Bites
 - i. June 23rd
- c. DSI Awards
 - i. Maldaners-Best Restaurant
- d. Paul Layton:
 - i. Heading a membership committee

5. Adjourned at 8:15am

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Perry, MBA Board Secretary