

## **MINUTES**

Mt. Lebanon Community Relations Board (CRB)

Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2012, 6 p.m.

Mt. Lebanon Municipal Building

**Present:** Wilma McNeese, chair, Nancy Carroll, Dianne Wainwright, Susanne Wagner, Hilary Chiz, Carl Templin, Scott Deaton, Susan Morgans, staff liaison.

**Call to Order:** Chair Wilma McNeese called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**Citizen Comments:** There was no citizen comment

**Minutes:** The minutes of the September meeting were approved with one correction

### **Chair's Report:**

- Chair Wilma McNeese attended the Centennial celebration along with many other members of boards and authorities. So far, she has not heard more about the program the CRB has committed to co-sponsor with the library.

### **Staff Liaison Report:**

- Susan reported that Steve Feller is available to do Coffee with the Manager on May 2, 3, 10 or 15<sup>th</sup>. Please check your calendars and we will pick a date at March meeting.

### **Topic of the Month:**

- The board discussed its role in support of volunteer involvement in the community. One idea would be to promote a "Pay it Forward" or "Neighbor to Neighbor" ethic. CRB might be able to sponsor an online bulletin board where people who wish to offer help could see someone who needs help and make direct contact. But board or staff should not need to coordinate this.
- Dianne Wainwright liked the idea of doing something promoting volunteerism specifically for the Centennial.
- Perhaps the question "How Can Volunteers Help the Community" could be a topic for the next Coffee with the Manager or even a forum next year with speakers and breakout groups.
- Discussion will continue in March. Between now and then members should come up concrete things that neighbors could do for other neighbors to be used as the basis for a campaign, coffee, forum, etc.

### **Other Business:**

- Susanne Wagner reported that she attended the Mt. Lebanon Village board meeting. Mt. Lebanon Village now has 55 members.
- Susanne also reported on a potential mediation that will not take place, at least for the time being, as neighbors have chosen not to pursue it. Thanks to Susanne for her excellent effort on this matter.
- Susan Morgans will work on a packet of information to update new members about mission and history of board.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:15. Next meeting is Wednesday, March 13, at 6 p.m. in the municipal building.