

**Kenwick Neighborhood Association**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**11-17-09**

**1. Attendees**

The meeting was well-attended with approximately 25 neighbors and board members

**2. Neighborhood Safety**

The meeting centered around Kenwick neighborhood safety and recent home invasions.

Det. David Flannery - central sector - presented information regarding Kenwick burglaries

- the culprit(s) is(are) a person(s) living in or near Kenwick
- most happen during the day when homeowners are at work or running errands
- culprits are entering home through back windows or back doors
- often vans (delivery vans, repair vans, etc.) are backed into driveways and the stolen items are loaded directly into vans from back door
- electronics (TVs, Xboxes, laptops) and bicycles make up the majority of items stolen

There is a link to a map of homes/locations of break-ins and home invasions on the kenwick.org website in the safety watch section. The link goes to the LFUCG crime watch website. (Windows OS and Internet Explorer 4.0 are required for viewing the site.)

Det. Flannery also suggested ways to discourage people from burglarizing the neighborhood

- get to know your neighbors
- determine what is “normal” for your street
  - who lives where
  - who drives what cars or what cars are often parked around your home
  - look out for “suspicious” activities
- if you see suspicious activity, contact the police (911 or Det. Flannery’s direct line 859-258-3729) immediately.
- try to give as much information as possible
  - detailed descriptions of suspicious activity
  - detailed descriptions of people, cars, etc
  - license plate numbers
  - any serial numbers or identifying or distinguishing marks on any stolen items

Det. Flannery did mention that “normal” and “suspicious” are subjective terms and can be different from situation to situation.

### **3. Kenwick Park Update**

Jay Christian presented an update for the Kenwick Park renovation. Approx 40 surveys have been completed by neighbors/Kenwick businesses. Surveys are still available online at the Kenwick.org homepage.

Jeff Jones (professor in the College of Public Health at UK has been coordinating a student project to determine who uses the park, when, and why. Those finalized results will be coming soon.

Mr. Christian said that the park committee will reconvene in the spring when there is a clearer view of how the renovation might proceed, saying that the first phase of the renovation is the least expensive and doesn't remove any existing recreational equipment or require any more commitment.

### **4. Kenwick Community Center**

Virginia Thomas thanked those who donated for the chili supper, held at Victory Church in October.

Ms. Thomas also requested donations for the Holiday Program on Dec 10 at 5 p.m. Donations can be money to purchase gift cards or food to make holiday gift bags for the children at the community center.

Also a request for Spanish speakers was made to help Spanish-speaking students who come to the community center who need help with homework.

Ms. Thomas also requested gently-used Xbox games that are appropriate for all ages. Games can be donated to the Kenwick Center.

### **5. Motions**

There was a motion to invite David O'Neill from the Lexington PVA to discuss property values in Lexington and Kenwick. This motion has been accepted and Mr. O'Neill will be at the Jan. general meeting.

### **6. Next Meetings**

- Board - Jan 12th, 7 p.m. at the Kenwick Center. Moved from fourth Tues. in December due to the holidays.
- General - Jan 26th, 7 p.m. at the Kenwick Center.