- I. MoDOT Engineer Deanna Venker (1-888-275-6636 or Deanna. Venker@modot.mo.gov)
  - a. Informational flyers were distributed to FPSE residents detailing comprehensive aspects of project
  - b. See <a href="http://tinyurl.com/towergve2013">http://tinyurl.com/towergve2013</a> for more information
  - c. Project synopsis
    - i. Done to relieve traffic congestion on Kingshighway, and come in compliance with Federal interstate standards
    - ii. Construction begins January 21 with demolition of Taylor and Newstead bridges, with completion projected November 1, 2013
    - iii. Then Tower Grove and Boyle will be closed for 80 days
    - iv. New construction of an I-64 interchange at Tower Grove, both entrance and exit ramps and a new roundabout
    - v. All work projected for completion by June 1, 2014
  - d. Construction impact on commuters
    - i. I-64 commuters should consider alternate routes if possible, such as Forest Park Parkway and Manchester Avenue due to morning and evening rush periods
    - ii. 3 lanes open both directions on I-64 from 5am to 7pm
    - iii. After 7 pm, at least one lane open on I-64 in each direction
  - e. Bike Plan
    - i. Gateway Bike Plan and Bike St. Louis Network
    - ii. Taylor and Tower Grove Avenues will be striped as shared traffic/bike lanes
    - iii. Comprehensive bike plan is underway looking at best route across interstate and Cortex development
  - f. Signage
    - MoDOT may put out larger/different signs due to speeding on Tower Grove towards
      Manchester
- II. Organization Changes
  - a. New board member elections for all positions at March meeting
    - i. President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer
      - 1. Interested persons can contact current President Stacy Brinkley for more information on position duties at stacymbrinkley@gmail.com
  - b. Name change
    - i. Will vote on official name of association at March meeting
  - c. Please submit all ideas for potential names at February meeting or to : <a href="mailto:stacymbrinkley@gmail.com">stacymbrinkley@gmail.com</a>
  - d. Current status
    - i. No legal entity as of 1994, when officially dissolved by state
    - ii. Must be handled when new board elected
    - iii. Current name is Gibson Heights Neighborhood Association
    - iv. Bank account is in the name of FPSE Neighborhood Association
  - e. Meeting location
    - i. Needs to be more inclusive location
    - ii. NOM, FPSE Safety and Security Meetings already at Adams Community Center- good idea to do it there

- iii. Renee Bell of the Adams Community Center gave "ok" to do meetings there but may have to be at a different time
- iv. Suggested time is 6:30-7:30 pm

## f. Discussion

- i. PCD is putting substantial funds into marketing the neighborhood as FPSE, with signs, street markers, and separate from the "Grove", however takes no position on what the neighborhood association is to be called
- ii. Talk to neighbors and be at the next two meetings to suggest ideas and vote
- III. Neighborhood Welcome Packets
  - a. Developed by Wash U students
  - b. Block captains will be responsible for giving out to new neighbors
  - c. Can also get at PCD and other area locations
- IV. Neighborhood Ownership Model (NOM) Meetings
  - a. Next meeting is Wednesday 1/23/13 at 6 pm at Adams Community Center
- V. FPSE Infrastructure Committee- Julie Birkenmaier
  - a. Committee is discussing options for more pedestrian lighting
  - b. Contact Julie (birkenjm@slu.edu) or Dan Krasnoff (Dan@parkcentraldevelopment.org) for more information or if you want to get involved
- VI. Healthy Corner Store/Martin Luther King Day Project- Carole Anne, Cynthia & Teresa
  - a. Working with Boys & Girls Club of Greater STL
  - b. Doing student project with 20+ for MLK Day of Service in neighborhood from 9:30-11:30 am
    - i. Includes gardening, trash pickup,
  - c. On-going project at garden at corner of Tower Grove and Vista Avenue
    - i. Fixing and replacing beds, new plantings, moving beds from old community garden to this site
    - ii. No G.M.O. seeds will be used
    - iii. May sell offerings to Manchester Market
    - iv. Want to expand mural on side of house facing garden
    - v. Interested residents should contact Carole Anne
- VII. Drury Properties Update
  - a. None at this time, Drury owns Kingshighway frontage parcels, not currently zoned
- VIII. Dexter Silvers- local artist
  - a. Exhibit at Schlafly library for the next month
  - b. Support our local residents and go see his exhibit
- IX. Ron Coleman
  - a. Refuse only picks up yard waste once a month now
  - b. Bulk pickup on 1/21/13- good for Christmas trees
    - i. Do NOT put trees in dumpsters
  - c. Issue as to whether to keep/replace "No drinking/loitering" signs on 4500 blocks of Arco, Oakland and Wichita
  - d. Recyclables- bins not understood and underutilized
    - i. Community education needed on recycling bins
- X. Tax Increase
  - a. Neighborhood boundaries are set and will not be changed, though buildings left out on Sarah
  - b. Issue/discussion that high dollar contribution businesses left out
  - c. Vote is on April 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - d. Plan will be in place for 10 years

## XI. Next meeting

a. February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Adams Community Center 6:30-7:30 pm