



Location Team (BOF/BO) – Jan. 25, 2024

Our mission: To be a compassionate, welcoming community that nurtures spiritual growth and practices justice.

Meeting Minutes

Attending: Greg Turosak (team lead), Ann Hutton, Gail Bishop, John Helmers, Erika Fetterman

1. **Call to order/reading/chalice lighting.** Greg called the meeting to order and provided a reading. The chalice was lit.
2. **Update on matters related to the city.** Greg said that the process of annexing the Viola site to the city of Rochester is underway. Kim has signed documents, and Logan Tjossem of Widseth is moving the process along with the city. The process should take about six months.
3. **Update on matters related to the county.** John said we're still trying to resolve the issue of access to the Viola site from East Circle Drive. The county staff appears willing to allow such access during construction, but remains not open to permanent access from East Circle Drive. They say we would need to present data from a traffic study showing access is warranted. However, right after the meeting, after county staff had left, Dave brought out plats of the area from the 1980s that appear to show access is assured from the west (where East Circle Drive is now located). Our understanding is that nothing has changed legally, which means the county could not deny us access from East Circle Drive. We've asked Logan to have someone on his staff research the issue and report back to us.
4. **Update on Walden Lane property going on the market.** The listing agreement was signed by Kim on Jan. 16, and the Walden Lane site is officially on the market. Dan Groteboer is still arranging to have someone come over and take photos of the property for posting. One to-do item is to make sure we have a good list of "exclusion items" – property that would not go along with the sale of the building; one example are cabinets in the RE wing.
5. **Update on 20-foot easement on Walden Land property.** Greg said we're still waiting to hear back from the Jehovah's Witnesses after having a Zoom call with them in early January.
6. **Update on Location Team tasks document.** Greg said that the task list, first created in May 2023, has been updated per discussions at our last team meeting, and the updated file has been uploaded to the drive.
7. **Other.**

Next meeting: 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted, Greg Turosak (team lead)

Other upcoming Location Team meetings: Feb. 22, March 7, March 21, April 4, April 18, May 2, May 16