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Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 3, 2026, | 5:30–6:30 PM
Billy Mills Middle School Cafeteria, 2734 Louisiana St., Lawrence, KS

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Sign-in and introductions

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:30 by Angie West. Twenty-one Indian Hills residents signed in and were recorded in attendance. Laura Gloeckner took minutes. Agendas, maps, neighborhood survey summaries, nomination information, ballots, proposed bylaws and Listserv policy, draft meeting minutes, and name tags were provided to attendees and are included with these minutes.

Approval of October 6, 2026, meeting minutes

The October minutes were provided at the meeting and on the website prior to the meeting. Jim Rome moved to approve the October 6, 2026, meeting minutes. Danny Amberg seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Land recognition

Ms. West read the land recognition acknowledging the Native American history and ties to the land within the neighborhood. The land recognition may be viewed on the IHNA website.

Board liability wording in the bylaws

As suggested by a member at the October meeting, liability language is included in the proposed bylaws provided.

Road construction update

Members discussed the current road construction progress. Members reported that some side roads were just patched and not sealed and requested clarity on what to expect as a finished product. Joe Tetrick noted that the approved plans are available on the city website and volunteered to review them for deviations or changes and report back to the group.

South Lawrence Neighborhood Association

Ms. West informed the group that she received correspondence from a resident living on the west side of Naismith Park questioning whether the homes west of Naismith Park are included or should be included within the boundaries of the IHNA. Ms. West took the question to the Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) group to receive feedback. Based on the information they have, the homes west of Naismith Park are a part of the South Lawrence Neighborhood Association (SLNA) and a contact was provided and forwarded to the resident.

Membership and Neighborhood Boundaries

The group reviewed the current boundaries of the neighborhood association. As provided on the IHNA website www.indianhillslawrence.us Louisiana St. (east), W. 31st St. (south), Naismith Valley Park (west), and W. 24th & W. 25th St. (north). Members discussed the possibility of reviewing boundary updates in the future.

Don Gloeckner moved to retain the current neighborhood boundaries (Louisiana St. to the east, W. 31st St. to the south, Naismith Valley Park to the west, and W. 24th and W. 25th Streets to the north). Danny Amberg seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Who is eligible to vote

The group discussed Article 3 of the bylaws, membership and voting. Members proposed that Article 3 be amended to include the following specifications for voting members.

- Each voting member of the house gets a vote.
- Residence: To qualify as a voting member under this article, a person must have a residential address within the IHNA boundaries and reside at that property at least 51% of the time.
- Residency verification guidelines.
- Members may only hold one position at a time.

Motion to approve Article 3 of the proposed bylaws, with stated amendments, Josiah Benton, seconded by Joe Tetrick. Motion passed unanimously.

Bylaws and Listserv rules

Members requested the proposed Bylaws be emailed out to members through the IHNA Listserv for review and final approval at the next meeting. One member suggested using Google Forms to collect responses from members.

Ms. Gloeckner requested review and approval of the IHNA Email and Listserv policy. The group discussed different examples of emails that would not be sent out on Listserv. Members discussed including a code of conduct and harassment guidelines in the bylaws, as well as membership consequences, such as suspension of voting privileges. Jeremy Hoffine offered to share the code of conduct and bylaws from another group he works with to IHNA for reference.

Motion to approve the IHNA Email and Listserv Policy as presented, Sabrina Wellman, seconded by Katie Gannaway. Motion passed unanimously.

Neighborhood Survey

Ms. West reviewed the results from the survey received so far. Group members expressed their approval of the survey and their interest in receiving more feedback from more neighbors. A member suggested that a flyer be created to hand out in the neighborhood. Several members voiced willingness to volunteer to help hand out flyers to get more responses. Ms. Gloeckner offered to create the flyer, distribute it to members, and help organize volunteers for neighborhood distribution. The survey is available on the IHNA website: www.indianhillslawrence.us

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Voting and Ballots

Ballots were provided for members at the meeting. Ms. West asked for a member who was not on the ballot to volunteer to collect and tally ballots. Mr. Benton volunteered. Nominations are closed as of November 1, 2026. Voting runs November 3 through November 10. You must be a resident of the Indian Hills Neighborhood, as specified previously, to vote. Residents who need a ballot may request one by emailing indianhillslawrence@gmail.com. Completed ballots must be returned by November 10.

Adjournment and Next Meeting

IHNA meetings will move from the first Tuesday of the month to the first Thursday of the month beginning December 3rd from 5:30PM to 6:30PM. Location is still pending.

Danny Amberg moved to adjourn the meeting. Stewart Gubler seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30PM.

If you were unable to make it to the meeting, we still want to hear from you. Visit our website page @ www.indianhillslawrence.us for the meeting notes, agendas, Listserv sign up and complete the neighborhood survey to help set neighborhood priorities.

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Bylaws of the Indian Hills Neighborhood Association

Proposed for member review. Items in brackets are open. Last edit 11.3.26

Article 1. Name and purpose

1.1 The name is the Indian Hills Neighborhood Association ("IHNA" or "the Association").

1.2 The Association brings neighbors together to build community, keep our streets safe and well cared for, and speak up for the neighborhood with the City of Lawrence and other organizations.

1.3 The Association is not a homeowners association (HOA). It has no authority over private property and does not regulate how residents use, paint or maintain their homes. It has no covenants, does not require dues, and cannot fine residents or place liens on property. The Board's role is to bring neighbors' concerns forward and advocate for them in an ethical and civil way.

Article 2. Boundaries

2.1 The Neighborhood is the area shown on the map in Appendix A and described as follows: North: W. 24th Street and W. 25th Street. South: W. 31st Street. East: Louisiana Street. West: Naismith Valley Park.

2.2 If the written description and the map differ, the map controls.

2.3 A change to the boundaries requires a vote of the voting members at a noticed meeting, after the Board has consulted the Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) or the City and neighboring associations whose areas would be affected. The approved map is filed with the City.

Article 3. Membership and voting

3.1 Open membership. Membership is open to all neighbors, meaning any person who lives in the Neighborhood and any person or entity that owns or occupies property in it, including renters, homeowners, businesses, churches and landlords.

3.2 Voting members. A voting member is a resident [18] or older whose home is inside the boundaries, whether they own, rent, or live in housing provided by an employer or organization. Each voting member has one vote.

3.3 Non-voting members. Members who own or occupy property in the Neighborhood but do not live in it may attend, speak and serve on committees but may not vote or hold Board office. An organization, such as a church or business, may name a representative, such as a pastor or owner, who takes part on its behalf as a non-voting member.

3.4 Guests. Anyone may attend meetings and share their views.

3.5 No required fee. No fee is required to belong, attend, speak or vote. The Association may invite voluntary annual contributions for printing, supplies and events.

3.6 Residency check. Residency is confirmed by the sign-in sheet (name and address).

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Article 4. Nondiscrimination

The Association welcomes every neighbor and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, disability, ancestry, familial status, income or whether a person owns or rents their home.

Article 5. The Board

5.1 Composition. The Board has 11 seats: President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Director, Events & Social Chair, Safety & City Liaison, Beautification & Green Space Chair, Block Captain Coordinator, and two Members-at-Large.

5.2 Eligibility. Board members must be voting members. Renters and homeowners are equally eligible.

5.3 Terms. Terms are one year, or until a successor takes office. The President-Elect succeeds to President at the end of the term, and the members elect a new President-Elect at each annual meeting.

5.4 Duties.

- **President:** leads the Board and runs Board and general meetings, and is the main spokesperson for the neighborhood with the City, partner organizations and the media.
- **President-Elect:** supports the President, fills in when the President is unavailable, and becomes President the following year.
- **Secretary:** records and distributes meeting minutes, keeps the official records and bylaws, and sends meeting notices.
- **Treasurer:** manages the Association's funds, including voluntary contributions, donations, the budget and bank accounts, and gives financial reports at meetings.
- **Communications Director:** manages the newsletter, website, social media and email updates.
- **Events & Social Chair:** plans neighborhood gatherings, welcomes new residents and recruits volunteers.
- **Safety & City Liaison:** connects the neighborhood with the City, LAN and local agencies on traffic, zoning and public safety.
- **Beautification & Green Space Chair:** leads projects that improve shared spaces, such as entrance signs, plantings and trees.
- **Block Captain Coordinator:** builds a network of volunteer block captains who share news street by street.
- **Members-at-Large (2 seats):** represent the general membership and help with projects and committees as needed.

5.5 Vacancies. If a Board member moves out of the Neighborhood or steps down, the Board appoints a replacement by majority vote to serve the rest of the term.

5.6 Spending. The President, Secretary and Communications Director may each spend up to $50 per purpose without Board approval, but together no more than $100 in a calendar month. Larger amounts need a majority vote of the Board. The Treasurer pays or reimburses these expenses against a receipt and reports them at the next meeting.

5.7 Recall. A Board member may be recalled by a majority vote of voting members at a noticed meeting, after a petition signed by at least [20] voting members with names and addresses.

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5.8 Board meetings. The Board meets as needed. A majority of Board members is a quorum.

5.9 Orientation. At the start of each term, every Board member reads and reviews these bylaws.

Article 6. Meetings of members

6.1 Regular meetings. Members meet on the first Thursday of each month, or as the Board sets and announces.

6.2 Annual meeting. The annual meeting is held in [November]. It elects the Board and reviews the year's activities.

6.3 Special meetings. The President, any two Board members, or a petition of [10] voting members may call one, to be held within [30] days.

6.4 Notice. Notice of time, place and business goes to every address in the Neighborhood at least [14] days ahead by yard signs, hand-delivered flyers or mail, plus the listserv and social media. Electronic notice alone is never sufficient. Business at a special meeting is limited to what the notice states. Notice to one member of a household counts as notice to every member of that household.

6.5 Quorum. A quorum is [10] voting members present. A meeting is not dismissed for lack of a quorum in under [20] minutes.

6.6 Decisions. Decisions need a majority of voting members present, except as these bylaws say otherwise.

6.7 Agendas and conduct. The Board prepares the agenda. Meetings open with a land recognition and follow the principle that every viewpoint is heard in good faith. After other agenda items, any member may take [two] minutes to raise a neighborhood concern.

6.8 In person, with a video option. Meetings are held in person. The Board makes reasonable efforts to offer a video option for attending and to post a recording for at least one year. Voting stays in person only (Article 7).

Article 7. Elections

7.1 Nominations. Any voting member may nominate themselves or another voting member by the online nomination form, on paper, or from the floor. The Board announces the nomination period.

7.2 Voting in person only. Votes are cast in person by paper ballot, one ballot per voting member, checked against the sign-in sheet. Absentee and proxy voting are not permitted. When the Board announces a voting window, ballots may be cast in person at the designated place during it.

7.3 Counting. Ballots are counted by two members who are not candidates. Results are announced to the membership through the listserv.

7.4 Winners. The nominee with the most votes wins each office. For the two Member-at-Large seats the two nominees with the most votes win.

7.5 Ties. A tie is decided by a [secret-ballot runoff at the next meeting among the tied nominees, then a coin toss].

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7.6 Neutrality. Official Association channels do not endorse candidates.

Article 8. Committees

The Board may create committees. Committees are open to all members, keep minutes, and report to the Board.

Article 9. Liability

9.1 [Board members, officers and committee members serve without pay. Acting in good faith for the Association, they are not personally liable for its debts, obligations or actions.]

9.2 The Association does not hold itself out as speaking for any individual neighbor on matters it has not voted on.

Article 10. Finances and records

10.1 Funds are kept in the Association's name, and the Treasurer reports at each annual meeting.

10.2 Any member may inspect the bylaws, minutes and financial records. The accounts are reviewed each year by a member who is not an officer.

10.3 The Association registers each year with the City and sends it minutes and any bylaw changes.

10.4 The Association is an unincorporated association and has not sought federal tax-exempt status. The Board may bring that question to members at a later meeting.

Article 11. Communications

The official listserv sends only announcements approved by the moderators. The Communications Director manages the newsletter, website, email and social media pages for the Board. Important notices also go out in print, as Article 6 requires.

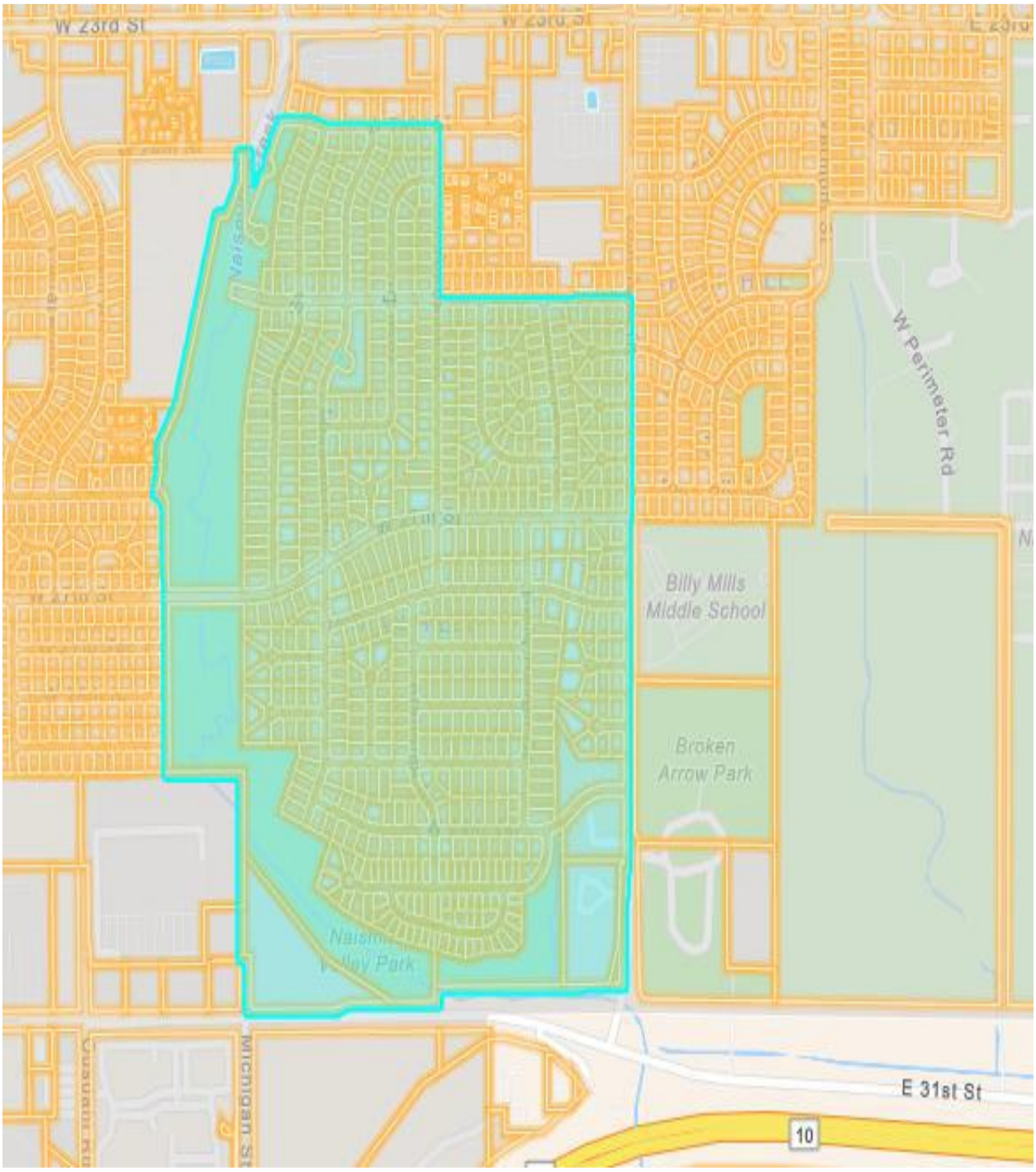
Article 12. Amendments and dissolution

12.1 The bylaws may be amended by a majority of voting members present at a noticed meeting where the proposed text was shared at least 30 days earlier. Any voting member may propose an amendment to the Board. Amendments are filed with the City.

12.2 [Dissolution: if the Association dissolves, remaining funds go to a neighborhood or nonprofit organization chosen by the members.]

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Appendix A. Neighborhood map



Indian Hills Neighborhood Association

Email List and Listserv Policy: Approved 11/03/2026

Purpose

The Association's email list and listserv are intended to communicate Association business, neighborhood news, community events, public safety information, and matters of common interest to residents.

Administrator Authority

The Board designates a Listserv Administrator to manage and moderate the Association's email communications. The Administrator is authorized to approve, decline, delay, or remove submissions that do not comply with this policy.

Acceptable Content

- The following types of communications are generally permitted:
- Association announcements and meeting notices
- Neighborhood events and volunteer opportunities
- Public safety information from reliable sources
- Lost and found notices
- Neighborhood concerns and information relevant to residents

Prohibited Content

The following content may be declined:

- Advertising or promotion of businesses, products, or services
- Endorsements or testimonials for contractors or service providers
- Unverified health, medical, legal, safety, or emergency claims
- Personal attacks, harassment, threats, or discriminatory language
- Political campaign materials or partisan advocacy unrelated to Association business
- Personal disputes between individuals
- False, misleading, or defamatory statements
- Content that may expose the Association to legal liability or reputational harm

Disclaimer

The Association does not independently verify information submitted by residents and does not endorse the accuracy of member-submitted content. Opinions expressed by members do not necessarily reflect the views of the Association or its Board.

Appeals Process

Any member whose submission is declined or removed may submit a written appeal to the Board President or Secretary within fourteen (14) days.

The Board shall review the matter and may affirm, modify, or overturn the decision by majority vote. The Board's decision shall be final.

Enforcement

- Violations of this policy may result in:
- Warning
- Moderation of future submissions
- Temporary suspension of posting privileges
- Removal from the listserv for repeated or serious violations

Approved by the Attending Residents at the IHNA Neighborhood Meeting on November 3, 2026.

Motion: Motion to approve the IHNA Email and Listserv Policy as presented, Sabrina Wellman, seconded by Katie Gannaway. Motion passed unanimously.

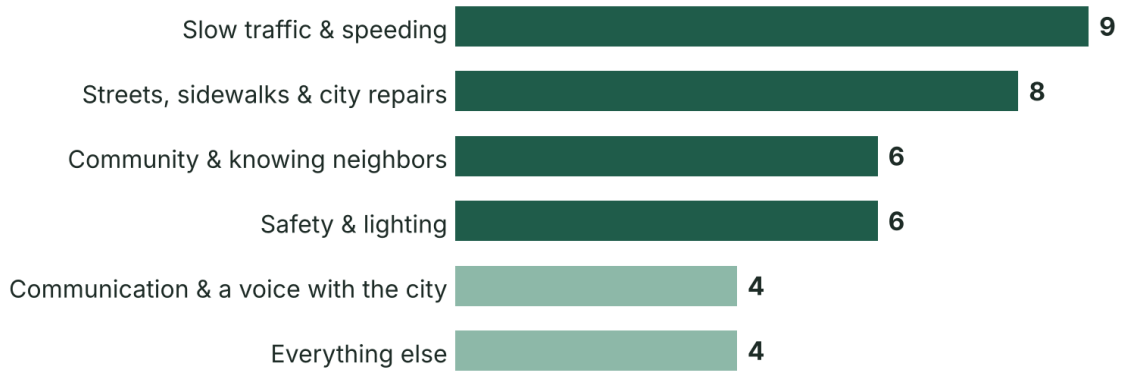
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What neighbors told us matters most-

24 Responses

Top 3 Priorities: Slower traffic, better streets and a stronger sense of community rose to the top.

Number of mentions by theme (37 answers)



Slow the traffic.
Speeding and traffic calming came up 9 times, in all three priority levels (Missouri, Alabama, 27th).

Community comes first.
Four of the six community answers were someone's number one pick.

Fix the basics.
Streets, curbs, sidewalks, tree trimming and a path to Naismith Park add up to 8 mentions.

In neighbors' own words

Traffic	*"Speed reducing measures on Missouri St."*	*"Traffic calming on 27th"*
Streets	*"CITY needs to provide public access to Naismith Park at 25th street."*	*"Sidewalk on 29th Terr"*
Community	*"Building community (block parties/get togethers/potlucks)"*	*"Knowing your neighbors... for safety and caringness"*
Safety	*"Streetlights only at the ends... there is also no sidewalk. It is dangerous."*	*"Possibly bring back 'Neighborhood Watch'"*
Communication	*"A voice @ the city table"*	*"Newsletters"*

Based on 37 priority answers from the neighborhood survey, grouped by theme. The full list of answers is in the complete results.