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Page #1 Neighborhood meeting (Beth Jones - case worker)
(Pre-application)

Meeting notes from the meeting on Feb. 12th at 3:00 p.m.

I started the meeting at 3:00 p.m. with four people in attendance. Kristen, Elizabeth, Catherine and Russell. Russell and I have been friendly since he purchased his house sometime in the early 1990s. Brian came late, after we had concluded the question and answer period, and I showed him around then we rejoined the group. The discussion had moved to being about the house across the street that has been condemned and is being renovated.

When everyone came inside, I assembled them and gave them a tour of the house. I reviewed my history of ownership of the house with them and told them about the negative experiences that I have had with trying to help people by allowing them to live in my house. I explained that I plan on returning to the neighborhood when I get too old to farm. I showed off all of the renovations that I have made since I moved to Shelby County. Then, I opened the discussion up to questions.

Catherine and Elizabeth are airbnb members, so they are familiar with the way that the airbnb system works. Kristen asked about the maximum number of guests. I answered that that is determined by a metric that the city has established but that I have two bedrooms with two King sized beds and a twin bed in a little room off the master. I also have a big couch that is big enough to sleep two. So the maximum number of people who will fit would be seven, as far as I can tell. Many other airbnb hosts charge per extra person. I do not intend to do that. Catherine and Elizabeth were concerned about the possibility of loud parties or rowdy neighbors, they asked for my home phone numbers,

which I was happy to provide. Kristen also took my numbers. Catherine also asked about the parking situation. I told her that I have two parking places behind the house, in addition to the parking on the street. I do not anticipate that parking will be a problem.

We talked about the airbnb platform and the review process and ratings system which acts as a vetting process. I also said that I think that my pricing will keep any unwanted guests away as there are lots of other airbnbs which are less expensive. Everyone seemed to agree that I would not attract an unseemly element of people by targeting an upscale demographic.

Kristen and Brian commented that they came specifically to meet some of the neighbors since they moved in to their house in November. Russell and I are friendly and visit often. I think he just came by for a visit. He did not ask any questions.

When everyone was leaving, Karen Hauck came out of her house and I gave Karen and Harold (Hal) Hauck a tour of the house. I have been friends with them since I first bought the house and we remain friendly. Karen and I visit a lot when I am in town.

It was about 4 o'clock when Karen and Hal left.