

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association – Board Meeting

Monday, January 9, 2017

Call to order – 6:41 pm

1. Roll Call
 - a. President, Scott McIntosh, Present
 - b. Vice Present, Alison Hillman, Present
 - c. Secretary, Ashtyn Baldas, Absent
 - d. Treasurer, John Simons, Present
 - e. Member At-Large, Jason Hillman, Present
 - f. Member At-Large, Tim Thomas, Present
 - g. Block Link, Chris Schmidt
 - h. Communications, Scott McIntosh
 - i. Membership, Charlene Young, Absent
 - j. Beautification, Stephanie McKinney, Present
 - k. Community Garden, Linda Hennigh
 - l. Dog Park, Jeni Poole, Absent
 - m. Facilities, Bill Byrd
 - n. Fundraising, Vacant
 - o. Quality of Life and Safety, Dan Geary
 - p. Youth Outreach, Darren Young, Absent
 - q. Cherokee Street Liaison, Anne McCullough, Absent
 - r. Alderman Dan Guenther, Present
2. Review and acceptance of December Board Meeting Minutes – Bill Byrd moves, Alison Hillman seconds, passes
3. Review December Treasurer’s Report and 2017 Budget (HOLD, John will send out ASAP)
4. VP Report
 - a. Reached out to Hispanic Business Association and Alisha said they would translate our newsletter and other docs for free
 - b. Need a 2nd proofreader to ensure it’s correct
5. Standing Committees
 - a. Block Link – Chili dinner and meeting moved to Jan 29 to allow more time
 - b. Communications – Need to do another “In the News” post ASAP
 - c. Membership – ensure Charlene knows we have a copier/printer in the Salvation Army building next to the Young Life Office.
6. Special Committees
 - a. Beautification
 - b. Community Garden
 - c. Dog Park
 - d. Facilities
 - i. Motion to approve the Facilities Report recommendations for purchases (shelving, paper, and printer supplies) - Chris Schmidt moves, Stephanie McKinney seconds, passes
 - e. Fundraising
 - f. Housing
 - g. Quality of Life and Safety
 - h. Youth Outreach
7. Discussion Items

- a. CSBA Meeting
 - i. Chris Schmidt and Stephanie McKinney will attend and ask if the neighborhood can do anything besides asking with the CSBA can do for the neighborhood
 - b. SLACO
 - i. Linda will volunteer to rep at SLACO Board meetings
 - c. Central Patrol Business Association – Bill Byrd moves, Jason Hillman seconds, pass
 - d. Economic Shop – Conditions, no single serve, nothing under a pint (July meeting minutes)
 - e. 2018 Event Planning & Budgets
 - i. Beautification
 - I. Continue litter clean up Saturdays after neighborhood meetings at 9 am
 - II. Need to get a list of volunteer groups for the dates
 - III. March – October
 - IV. Continue socialize after, consider letting business know we're coming for a discount
 - ii. BPW neighborhood signs
 - I. Stephanie McKinney will work with Bill Byrd on possibly 4 signs
 - II. Metal vs canvas
 - III. Any City funds available? Lisa Otke would be a resource.
 - IV. Possibly fundraiser or sponsorships by residents and/or businesses
 - iii. Budgets
 - f. Action Items - Skipped
8. Review January Neighborhood Association Meeting Agenda
9. Open Forum
 - a. Dan Guenther – restart Housing Corp meetings, need to pick a new week day to meet
 - b. CSBA is meeting with Save-A-Lot about selling 6 and 12 packs of beer and wine, during Jan CSBA meeting
10. Adjournment – Bill Byrd moves, Alison Hillman seconds, passes at 8:57 pm

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. All
 - a. Bring \$1 for 50/50 at Membership Meeting
- 2. Ashtyn
 - a. Monthly Board and NA meeting minutes
 - b. Letters of support
- 3. Bill
 - a. None at this time
- 4. Charlene
 - a. Work to increase membership
- 5. Chris
 - a.
- 6. Dan
 - a. Continue to work on impact statements
- 7. Darren
 - a.
- 8. Jeni
 - a.

9. John
 - a. Monthly Treasurer's and Budget report; includes year-to-date budget
10. Linda
 - a. Call 2018 meeting of gardeners to plan for upcoming year.
11. Scott
 - a. Send monthly reminder to Anne about membership meeting; if she can't make it to send report for me to share at meeting
 - b. Housing Committee
 - i. Post update BPW real estate listings on Fridays
 - ii. Schedule housing meetings with Dan
 - c. Website
 - i. Add monthly Board and Membership meeting minutes
 - d. Follow up with STL Style House about t-shirt inventory
 - e. Setup a 2018 plan for Our Neighborhood Garden (weeding, planting, watering, etc.)
12. Stephanie
 - a. None at this time