

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association – Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

Call to order – 6:39 pm

1. Roll Call
 - a. President, Scott McIntosh, **Present**
 - b. Vice Present, Alison Hillman, **Present**
 - c. Secretary, Ashtyn Baldas, **Present**
 - d. Treasurer, John Simons, **Present**
 - e. Member At-Large, Jason Hillman, Absent
 - f. Member At-Large, Tim Thomas, **Present**
 - g. Block Link, Chris Schmidt, Absent
 - h. Communications, Scott McIntosh
 - i. Membership – Charlene Young, Absent
 - j. Beautification, Stephanie McKinney, **Present**
 - k. Community Garden, Linda Hennigh, **Present**
 - l. Dog Park, Jeni Poole, **Present**
 - m. Facilities, Bill Byrd, **Present**
 - n. Fundraising, Vacant
 - o. Housing Committee, Scott McIntosh
 - p. Quality of Life and Safety, Vacant
 - q. Youth Outreach, Darren Young, Absent
 - r. Cherokee Street Liaison, Anne McCullough, Absent
2. Guest
 - a. Jenna Johnstone
 - i. An employee of Magnify
 - I. An action network who care about our communities and solving projects together
 - II. Platform to enact community change and build community
 - III. Here to ask if there are any projects in our city that we want to solve
 - a. Alison has proposed having a group Benton Park West account on Magnify so that there can be a list of projects as a subset under the BPW umbrella.
3. Review and acceptance of May Board Meeting Minutes as sent in the email –
 - a. Bill Byrd moves,
 - b. Alison Hillman seconds,
 - c. passes
4. Review May Treasurer’s Report and 2018 Budget
 - a. John Simmon’s proposes not to create four reports which are redundant (such as garden, association, and dog park, and committee reports) which are already contained in the annual treasurers report
 - b. PNC credit card information came in – it needs to be reviewed with Alison Hilman and Scott McIntosh
5. Standing Committees
 - a. Block Link
 - i. N/A
 - b. Communications
 - i. Added June litter clean up

- ii. Gravois park list serve is working again
 - c. Membership
- 6. Special Committees
 - a. Beautification
 - b. Community Garden
 - i. Ashtyn will begin assisting Linda with mowing
 - ii. John S. is going to troubleshoot the lawn mower donated
 - iii. Consider looking into getting water spigot for fire hydrant similar to Shakespeare in the Park
 - c. Dog Park
 - i. Dog park needs to be mowed
 - ii. A members dog passed away after renewing the membership the prior month
 - I. We are going to reimburse the dog park owner the membership fee
 - d. Facilities
 - i. No new updates
 - e. Fundraising
 - f. Housing
 - g. Quality of Life and Safety
 - h. Youth Outreach
 - i. None
- 7. Discussion Items
 - i. Neighborhoods Inviting for Change
 - I. Saturday June 16, 2018
 - a. Linda Hennigh, John Simmons, Chris Schmidt, Bill Byrd, and Scott McIntosh attending
 - ii. Court Watch
 - I. No volunteers yet
 - iii. If you're wanting to attend the 3rd District Community outreach meeting this Thursday, you will have to RSVP to Clancy
 - iv. Fair Saint Louis
 - I. Meeting at the VP was attended 6/11/2018 by Scott and Linda
 - II. June 18th should be the date where we get the booth location
 - III. July 3rd VP will let us know the time we can drop off food/drinks for volunteers
 - a. Alison Hillman is going to pick up bulk snacks, water, and beer from CostCo for the volunteers
 - v. Safety Festival
 - I. Safety festival will be September 29th in/at Benton Park and Cherokee Rec Center
 - a. Mandy Mankin, Carrie Sleep, Sarah Durrett, Venessa Kobrin, John Simmons and Alison Hillman have been assigned tasks to complete
 - b. Dan Guenther is helping with permits needed for the park
 - c. At the end of the festival, Soulard Restoration Group will host the movie Home Alone in the park
 - II. In the next couple of weeks, Alison Hillman will have non-profit organizations can join the fair. They will not have to pay.
 - vi. Renewal for Central Patrol Business Association

- I. Bill Byrd moves that we submit the application and \$100 for the membership
 - II. Alison Hillman seconds
8. Review (Current Month) Neighborhood Association Meeting Agenda
9. Open Forum
 - a. Schnucks program through escript
 - i. A 3% of purchase goes to a charity of your choice
 - ii. Tim Thomas will inquire more
10. Adjournment - Alison Hillman moves, Ashtyn Baldas seconds, passes at 8:17 pm