

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association Membership Meeting

Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal

Thursday, August 18, 2016

Attendance: 51

Board Members

- President – Linda Hennigh, Present
- Vice President - Scott McIntosh
- Secretary – Libby Martin, Present
- Communications - Bill Byrd, Present
- Treasurer – Frank Becker, Present
- Membership - Karen Becker, Present
- Member At-Large – Dan Geary, Present
- Member At-Large –Eddie Schmid, Absent

1. Call to order – 7:05 pm
2. Review of July 21, 2016 BPWNA meeting minutes – Dan Geary moves to accept, Scott McIntosh seconds , passes
3. Review of August 8, 2016 BPWN Board meeting minutes
4. Reviewed and approved July 2016 Treasurer’s Report – Stephanie McKinney moves to accept, Shelle seconds, passes
5. Reviewed 2016 Budget
6. Introduction of 2016 BPWN Board Members
 - Election for 2017 Board Members will be held at October meeting
 - Nominations are due at September meeting
7. Visitors and New Members
 - Melissa Vatterott - *St. Louis Food Policy Coalition*
 - Alice Prince - Lives on Texas
 - Jason Hensley - SLDC - CDA representative
 - Sister Mary Anne Nestle - City of St. Louis - *Seniors Count* program
 - Tiffany Baker
 - John - Lives on 3200 California
8. Tonya Joy - Library Lady - Barr Branch Library Manager - Absent
9. Guest Speaker: Sister Mary Anne Nestle - St. Louis City Task Force - *Seniors Count*
 - Program to help needy seniors 60+ stay in their homes
 - The program will be run in St. Louis, St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles county
 - There will be a five cent/\$100 property tax on November 2016 ballot
 - Sister Nestle passed out information
10. Guest Speaker: Melissa Vatterott - St. Louis Food Policy Coalition
 - Ms Vatterott is writing a new Ordinance for the City
 - Ordinance will change requirements for agricultural activity and acceptable animals/livestock guidelines within City limits
 - Ms. Vatterott passed out a survey - to gauge BPWN thoughts on Ordinance
11. District 3 Community Outreach Officer: Pat Clancy, 314-444-2564, pmclancy@slmpd.org
 - Absent

12. Neighborhood Stabilization Officer – Barb Potts, pottsb@stlouis-mo.gov
 - a. Nothing to report
13. 9th Ward Alderman – Ken Ortmann
 - Phase I of installation of intersection cameras is complete
 - Installation of Phase II cameras along Gravois - will begin when City street light project is completed
 - Building permits in 9th Ward are up 26% - for 2014-2015
 - All LRA properties in 9th Ward have building permits - construction can begin
 - Construction of Credit Union building at Gravois and Oregon has begun
 - The fires in BPW are unsolved - most are garage fires - when information is available Alderman Ortmann will update
14. Cherokee Station Business Association Liaison, Anne McCullough, absent, Jason Deem, absent
15. Upcoming Events / Announcements - Scott McIntosh - Vice President
 - National Night Out had a strong turnout
 - There will not be a Neighborhood Happy Hour in August
 - the next Neighborhood Happy Hour will be at *Propaganda* bar on Cherokee September 29
16. Events / Announcements - Rev. Paula Cooper - Curby Memorial
 - The Praise in the Park concert August 13 was a great success
 - Number of attendees not known
 - There were volunteers from Curby Memorial and BPWNA
17. Events Announcements / Linda Hennigh
 - New bar on Cherokee opening in "*Las Punk*" location
 - BPWNA will write a letter of support
18. Events/Announcements - Bill Byrd - Fund Raising
 - Volunteers needed for fundraising event (Murmuration Festival) September 23-25
 - In conjunction with Hanpro
 - Will be held at Cortex Complex on Forest Park Boulevard
 - Use Sign Up Genius
19. Adjournment –Bill Byrd moves to adjourn, Rev. Paula Cooper seconds, passes- meeting adjourns at 8:20 pm

Attendance Prizes and 50/50:

SOCIAL HOUR