

Benton Park West Neighborhood Association

Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 19, 2020

Submitted by Erin Godwin

Call to order by Scott McIntosh - approximately 7:00 pm

Attendance - **20 adults- 18 members, 2 guests**

- President - Scott McIntosh - **Present**
- Vice President- Tim Thomas - **Present**
- Secretary - Erin Godwin - **Present**
- Treasurer - Linda Hennigh - **Present**
- Member At-Large - Pam Welsh - **Present**
- Member At-Large - Gwynn Jackson - **Present**
- Beautification - Stephanie McKinney - **Present**
- Block Link - Chris Schmidt - **Present**
- Communications - Scott McIntosh
- Community Garden - Linda Hennigh
- Our Neighborhood Garden - Scott McIntosh
- Dog Park - Jeni Poole/Pam Welsh - Absent
- Facilities - Bill Byrd - **Present**
- Fundraising - **Vacant**
- Housing Committee - Scott McIntosh
- SLACO Committee - Linda Hennigh
- Membership – Bill Byrd /Rosie Jackson - Absent
- Quality of Life and Safety - **Vacant**
- Youth Outreach - Darren Young- **Absent**
- Cherokee Street Liaison - **Vacant**

***This meeting's minutes may contain unintentional errors and omissions; Secretary Erin Godwin lost her notes and so created these minutes from a combination of memory and other documents.

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve the October Treasurer's Report was made. Motion passed.

Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

February- October Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes for February- October was made. Motion passed.

Board election results: On-Boarding + Transitions

Results of the 2021 board election are as follows:

President: Erin Godwin

Vice President: Tim Thomas
Secretary: Chris Schmidt
Treasurer: Linda Hennigh
Member At-Large: Danelle Clemons, Jennie Alberts

All candidates ran unopposed; all BPWNA members present at the October meeting were provided a virtual ballot to vote. Board positions will transfer to the newly elected board members on New Year's Day. Outgoing board members and committee chairs can begin helping their successors to take over their responsibilities starting now, continuing as needed through early 2021.

Becky Martinez Memorial

Gateway to Hope's Development Director Monique Levy spoke about the work done by the organization and ways to donate. It was subsequently decided by those in attendance that a direct donation of \$250 will be made to Gateway to Hope in honor of Becky Martinez.

Block Link

The Halloween House Decorating Contest was cancelled due to lack of entries. It was brought to the Board's attention that some interested people found the entry process confusing. It was discussed that maybe this could be tried again some other time.

Residents with outside cameras in the neighborhood should email Chris so we are able to give that information to the police if a car or house is broken into etc.

Emily Thenhaus, Cherokee Street CID

Cherokee Street CID will not be hosting their annual potluck. They are instead providing donations and volunteers to provide Thanksgiving meals to those in need. The Cherokee Street Print Bazaar will be held virtually.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded.
Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30pm.