Benton Park West Neighborhood Association Membership Meeting

Five Star Senior Center, 2832 Arsenal Thursday, October 18, 2018

Attendance: 30

Board

- President Scott McIntosh, Present
- Vice President Alison Hillman, Present
- Secretary Ashtyn Baldas, Present
- Treasurer John Simons, Absent
- Member At-Large Tim Thomas, Present
- Member At-Large Jason Hillman, Present
- 1. Call to order 7:03 pm
- 2. Review and approve Septembers meeting minutes
 - a. Alison Hillman moves,
 - b. Tim Thomas seconds, passes
- 3. Review of October Board meeting minutes
- 4. Review and approve Septembers Treasurer's Report and proposed 2018 budget
 - a. Jenni Poole states that under donations Barb Vindiola is actually a membership for multiple dogs
 - b. Bill Byrd moves with changes
 - c. Alison Hillman seconds, passes
- 5. Visitors and New Members
 - a. Guests/New Member:
 - i. Sam Heist, 3000 Block of Texas; new neighbor
 - ii. Tim Cooper, 3100 Block of Ohio
- 6. Guest Speaker:
 - a. Ann from NexCore Fitness
 - Certified yoga instructor
 - ii. Located off of Ohio and Gravois
 - iii. Specialized in rehabilitative yoga
 - iv. NexCore Fitness founded in Fox Park;
 - 1. Offers yoga
 - 2. Bootcamps
 - 3. Personal training
 - 4. 24/7 access to the gym
- 7. Upcoming Events and Committee reports:
 - a. Recap: St. Louis Regional Night Out
 - i. Approximately 60 people
 - ii. Shock city music school brought a bunch of instruments for the kids
 - iii. Suggestion for next year is to make sure lights are available for after dark
 - b. Litter Clean up and Social Hour, Sat Oct 20 @ 9 AM
 - i. Last litter clean up of the year
 - c. 2019 Board nominations and elections
 - i. Under member at large, Ashtyn Baldas will run for member at large instead of Alison Hillman

- ii. Alison Hillman has agreed to be an interim vice president until a vice president is found.
- d. Howl-O-Ween, Sat Oct 27 @ 1 3 PM, Dog park
 - i. Open event
 - ii. Costume contest for the dogs
- e. Trunk or Treat + Carnival, Sun Oct 28 @ 4-6 PM, Salvation Army, Arsenal
 - i. Sign up with Darren Young
- f. Neighborhood Cameras
 - i. If you have a camera facing the street or alley please sign up on the camera list
- g. Court Watch
 - i. On hold; Circuit attorney's office has delayed training
- h. November Pot-Luck
 - i. Supply chicken from Hodaks
 - ii. Please feel free to bring a dish
 - Five Star is doing a chicken dinner Nov 11
- 8. 9th Ward Alderman Dan Guenther
 - a. Legislative wise
 - i. Resolution of 104 tax abatement of incentive reform. Goal is to remove incentives from areas that don't need it. Benton Park is no longer eligible.
 - ii. Co sponsored a bill where the federal government is providing \$982,000 for creation of opioid and opioid death task force to collect data and assist with helping.
 - 1. 256 deaths directly related to opioids in 2017 in city of St. Louis
 - 2. 63118, 63116, 63111 have the most opioid deaths in the city
 - b. Funding available for Prop S city sets aside \$1 mil to give to nonprofit organizations that focus on youth violence prevention. The RFP is due by end of October.
 - i. Stlouis-mo.gov in search put in Prop S RPF
 - c. Development
 - i. LRA having hearing Monday regarding two properties in BPW
 - 1. 3104 Wyoming
 - 2. 2647 Arsenal (between Texas and Ohio)
 - a. "New Construction"
 - ii. Imo's pizza
 - 1. Propose having a pick-up drive thru window
 - 2. Enter through Gravois, exit off Arsenal
 - 3. Will require a letter of support from the neighborhood association
 - d. Free winterization through Urban League
 - i. Income based
 - e. Go St. Louis Halloween Marathon
 - i. Impacts a lot of streets 7 AM 11 AM 10/21/2018
 - f. Street
 - i. Traffic calming
 - 1. Looking at Wyoming, Utah, Michigan
 - a. Traffic commissioner removed Wyoming and Utah because there are too many stop signs in close proximity to one another
 - b. Dan is proposing that through the NA that looks at intersections of stop signs to decide areas of where to remove them and put in speed humps instead.

- i. Juniata and Minnesota speed humps were taken out, why is this?
- g. Penny-Saver is denied.
- h. St. Louis is the second best city for jobs in the nation.
 - i. SLATE training available
- 9. District 3 Community Outreach Officer: Pat Clancy, 314-444-2564, pmclancy@slmpd.org
 - a. Crime Report
 - i. 1 robbery, 2900 block Ohio
 - 1. Sep 26, 2018
 - ii. 1 Assault
 - iii. 1 Arson, car
 - iv. 6 stolen autos
 - 1. 3 b/c keys were left
 - 2. 3 b/c keys left in vehicle
 - v. 1 burglary where a rear door was open
 - vi. 12 cases of larceny
- 10. Neighborhood Stabilization Officer Barb Potts, 314-397-1091
 - a. Don't leave valuables in your car
 - b. Commend BPW for wonderful national night out party
 - c. Street lights and alley lights are being assessed
- 11. Upcoming Events
 - a. N/A
- 12. Prizes
 - a. Attendance Prizes
 - i. Oreos Joe Rich
 - ii. BPW tote and shirt Stephanie McKinney
 - iii. Coloring book
 - iv. Donation by Officer Clancy (Security Cameras) won by Joe Rich
 - b. 50/50: \$22 won by Bill Byrd
- 13. Adjournment Alison Hillman moves, Chris Schmidt seconds, passes at 8:04