

Washington Park East Neighborhood Association

January 10, 2023

Board Meeting Minutes

Pre-meeting presenters:

Brent Fahrberger, representing Paul Kashmann, City Councilman

Beth McCann, Denver District Attorney

The Board meeting was brought order by Tim McHugh at 7:22 p.m., online and in person.

Board Members Present:

Lance Musselman, Tim McHugh, Bill Tracy ,Adam Meltzer

Board Members Not Present:

Leslie MacRossie

Quorum? Yes

Approval of agenda.

Introduction of Board members.

Other attendees and sign ins to meeting:

Biddie Labrot

Laurel Clark

Patricia Luby

Helen and Bernie

Beth McCann

Ava Cebrian

David Howard

Mary Brice

Brent Fahrberger

Brooke Walters

Remington Ruyle

Mark and Virginia Williams

Ryan Olson

Barb Basse

Vanessa Coats

Jeff Spinzig

The minutes for the November 8, 2022 meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill Tracy reported on revenues and expenses for the past month. The balance of the WPENA bank account is \$21,422. Recent expenses included partial payment to the website and logo developer and the newsletter. The report was accepted.

Committee Reports:

Communications: Leslie MacRossie, Chair

ADU Survey

Biddie Labrot reported that WPENA is conducting a neighborhood survey on ADU's using the newsletter, emails and the website. Biddie reported that she was hoping for a response rate of ten to twenty percent from the neighborhood and had received 153 so far. She will keep the survey open until there are sufficient responses.

ADU's can be used as short term residences (STR's) if the owner lives in residence and require a special license. Neighborhoods throughout Denver are in the process of rezoning to allow ADU's, and there have been 16 requests from WPE residents to the city to allow them to build ADU's.

Newsletter

Lance Musselman reported that the newsletter was delivered by USPS, using seven routes covering about 90% of WPENA's territory. The rest are hand delivered. The newsletter had the old zip code in it for membership; this has been rectified.

Zoning: Biddie Labrot, Chair

No report.

Sustainability Committee: Remington Ruyle, Chair

Remi Ruyle asked Ian Harwick, Climate Actions and Mobility to be a speaker in February, but he has indicated that he will have to reschedule.

The city rebate program for electric bicycles is coming back again this year

Event Committee: Leslie MacRossie, Chair

Tim McHugh reported on the July 4th event. The boathouse is reserved and Paul K. is paying the reservation cost. We are still looking for event coordinators who can take it forward for the long haul.

Crime and Safety:

Tim reported the crime and safety reports. Thefts of cars (41,225 in 2022) and catalytic converters (2,021 in 2022) are up in Colorado, which is now rated number 1 per capita in the country. There was discussion of adding crime stats to the website by way of a link to the city crime reports.

Membership: Ellin Rosenthal, Chair

New business member – Contour Collections on S Gaylord

Bill reported that we are getting new and renewal memberships via Paypal and in the mail, following the annual newsletter push to remind people to renew.

Traffic: Bill Tracy, Chair

New planned crosswalk at S Franklin across Alameda, thanks to work by Trevor McLaren. Alameda is a State highway, so planning and cost must be coordinated with the State.

Park/FANS: Tim McHugh, Chair

WPE resident reported fireworks in park after midnight, reported to DPD, DFD DPR and Paul Kashmann's office. FANS recommends closing the traffic gates at night to discourage driving into the park late at night.

INC: Tim McHugh and Adam Meltzer, INC Representatives

November 12 presentations by Joanna Rosa-Saenz, new chair of Education Committee; Candi CdeBaca addressed accountability and transparency in city budget process; Paul Kashmann – updating RNO ordinances.

Old Business:

Future Speakers:

February: None.

Potential: Thomas Wolf, candidate for Mayor; Ian Harwick, Climate Actions and Mobility.

Bylaws:

Discussion regarding issues to address in the upcoming changes to the bylaws:

- Voting privileges: elimination of Class A status, voting based on residence in WPE;
- Determination of Board members;
- Nonresident property owners vote: adding them to the voting class.

New Business:

Adam Meltzer's resignation from the Board of Directors was accepted, effective immediately. He will remain a WPENA representative to INC.

Tim announced that the annual meeting will be held in May.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m. by Tim.

Lance Musselman

Secretary

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