

Laurel Park Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2019

The meeting was held at Don Baillie's House, 635 Columbia Court and was called to order at 5:38pm.

Board members present were Don Baillie, Jim Lingley, Betsey Sublette, John Shkor, Ronald Kashden, Dan Bridinger, Al Streaker, Juliette Reynolds, and Julie Cotton.

Board meeting minutes for February 11, 2019 and current treasurer's report approved by acclamation.

A discussion was had regarding the LPNA website. The guest Laurie Hall spoke about moving the domain to another service as well as revamping the website. The board spoke about utilizing the "NextDoor" mobile app to improve communication. There will also be an effort to distribute a newsletter for the spring. There hasn't been a newsletter for the past few years.

Don told the board that the outreach postcard was ready and it will be mailed to 700 addresses. The goal of the postcard is to get more contact information for the Laurel Park residents. Betsey is going to reach out to Ginger Mermin to see if there is a list culled from the received LPNA membership forms.

The planning for the next general meeting was discussed. Tamiami Tap is a possible location for the general meeting. A tentative date of November 4th was discussed. Juliette raised a theme idea of 1920-2020 -- Century of Greatness with Jeff LaHurd, Sarasota Country Historian, as a speaker.

Julie gave a CCNA update. During the last CCNA meeting Selby's proposal was discussed but nothing was approved/disapproved at the CCNA meeting.

The board discussed the Sarasota Orchestra proposal to build a concert hall within Payne Park, but since the proposal was recently made public, the board was not in a position to opine for/against the proposal.

Juliette gave update on The Bay. They are looking at a 15-year agreement with the city and looking for 50-50% private / public funds.

John been reaching out to traffic related city employees.

Next meeting on April 8th Monday, 5:30pm. Don mentioned that future agenda for an upcoming board meeting should include creating a nominating committee for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35pm