LPNA Board Meeting

Monday, January 11, 2016, 6:30 pm

310 S. Osprey Ave.

The meeting was called to order by President Jude Levy. Board Members Present: Ginger Mermin, Kasy Kane, Chris Jaensch, Kate Lowman, Kelly Franklin, Dan Bridinger, Betsy Sublette.

Guests present: Jolie McInnis, Jodi Johns, Jim Lingley, Alice Sundstrom, Meg Spinella, Don Baillie

The October 2015 minutes were approved by acclamation. The Treasurer's report was accepted. The balance is \$6,394.00.

Jude and Kate attended the CCNA meeting this month. The City's Tree Ordinance and City parks were discussed by City staff. <u>Reminder</u>: Tree permits are required before cutting down a tree.

Old Business:

Kate updated the Board and guests re Urban Design Studio. Karen Murphy, coordinator, had her contract extended by the City until June, 2017.

Jude talked a little about the history of the Holiday Party (started 10 years ago with just a few people attending). Kasy has been the coordinator or co-coordinator of the party for all of that time. Every year the party has become more popular, this year there were about 100 guests who attended. The City contributed with a Community Grant.

Current Business:

Kate stated that the appeal was filed today on the Woman's Exchange loading dock issue. The meeting before the planning board is January 20, 2016 at 6 pm.

1938 Laurel St. is zoned commercial /downtown edge. The City approved the small residential project.

Traffic Abatement especially on Laurel St and Oak St. will be brought up at the General Meeting in February.

Jude stated that the 2016 Membership Drive was in full swing and membership forms are coming in. Checks are given to Betsy; a list is generated, acknowledgements sent to members by Jude.

Jude reported that 3 burglaries had been reported in November and December in our neighborhood. Cars broken into were unlocked. Jude talked about alertness and awareness and to report anything to 911. Reminder: be sure to lock cars and houses.

Dan Bridinger donated \$330 (funds donated by Laurel Park residents & LPNA) to the Salvation Army, Resurrection House, and All Faiths Food Bank. He reported that 17 people volunteered one Saturday to sort meals at All Faiths Food Bank.

Jude reported that the median on Osprey Avenue that had been in discussion in previous meetings is technically not in Laurel Park (though it is at our north entrance with a neighborhood sign). Decision made by Tim Litchet, City Planning Department, requires that replanting must be with same size plants and trees.

Jolie McInnes, Jodi Johns, and Kate Lowman are the nominating committee for the 2016-2018 Board and they presented their slate: Alice Sunstrom, Meg Spinelli, Jim Lingley, Don Baillie. Betsy Sublette, Kelly Franklin, Marwan Khammash, and Dan Bridinger.

Jude went over the Agenda for the February 9th, 2016 General Meeting. Kate made a motion to buy \$50 Gift Certificates for Outstanding Volunteers Jack Notestein and Alan Kranich. Kasy seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

Recorded by Ginger Mermin, Secretary