

Laurel Park Neighbor Association
Board Meeting Minutes
August 23, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM at Matt Arcari's residence, 1855 Oak Street.

Board Members Present:

Matt Arcari, President
Betsy Sublette, Treasurer
Annette Liggett, Secretary
Steve Fantauzzo

Ron Kashden (Electronic)
Juliette Reynolds
Cindy Taylor

Agenda Items

Steve moved to approve LPNA Board meeting minutes of July 19, 2021. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report

Steve moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion approved.

Current balance: \$9700.62

Credits = \$75.00 for membership.

Debits = \$1300.00 to Tamiani Tap for General Meeting room rental.

Betsy reported the Neighborhood Partnership grant pays for the room rental fee and will be reflected in the next Treasurer's report. She also asked that PayPal information be sent to her.

Old Business

- Request for cross walk @ Laurel and Orange Streets - All agreed the corner has become a safety hazard and we need to ask the City to paint crosswalk markings.
- Neighborhood Partnership Grant/Picnic in the Park - Thanks to Jolie McInnis, the 2021-2022 grant is complete and awaiting approval from the City. Plans are underway for a November Picnic in the Park and a Movie Night in the Park after the first of the year.
- Membership - Betsy reported that current membership data needs updating.

New Business

- Resignation - Matt announced that Dan Bridinger resigned from the Board and we need to look for a new member.
- 2nd Community Zoom Workshop - Wednesday, August 25, 2021 - Matt reported that the applicant for the proposed Assisted Living building has not closed on the property but has agreed to LPNA's request that proposed building plans include traffic ingress only on Laurel Street, Morrill Street (left in/left out) and no vehicle access on Rawls.
- LPNA General Meeting from 5:30 to 8:00 PM at Tamiani Tap, September 27, 2021 -
 - *Social Hour*: 5:30 - 6:00 - Cash Bar and food provided by Tamiani Tap.
 - *General meeting*: 6:00 PM
 - *Agenda*: Board member introductions and neighborhood updates. Nancy Kelly, Neighborhood Planner, providing updates on city projects and Laurel Park's Police liaison speaking to neighborhood vigilance/awareness.
 - *Advertising*: send out "save the date" email now and closer to the meeting date send email reminder, distribute flyers and signs throughout the neighborhood.
 - *Committee Volunteers*: Betsy emphasized the need for volunteer sign-up sheets as a way to get more neighbors involved. Specific areas of need: Traffic, Development, Social (newsletter, membership, marketing). Juliette reminded Board of maintaining Covid awareness: maintain space, multiple pens, wipes, etc.

- Traffic/Speed Controls Discussion - A number of neighbors are voicing concerns of speeding vehicles, especially on Laurel, Osprey and Oak Streets. Since the City is typically reticent to install permanent speed bumps, discussion was on forming a Traffic Committee to pursue “creative enforcement” alternatives (e.g., renting radar gun, placing temporary road humps, officers monitoring at specific sites, empty police car).

Summary of Action Items

- Matthew speaking at the City’s zoom workshop.
- Cindy forwarding PayPal information to Betsy, sending out general meeting alerts & printing flyers
- Betsy forwarding current membership information to Cindy for data input.
- Matt inviting Nancy Kelly and Police liaison to speak at general meeting.
- All Board Members (who are in town) helping out at the general meeting at Tamiani Tap.
- Matt speaking with Nancy Kelly re: getting a traffic crossing on Orange and Laurel, new Laurel Park historical district signs and recommendations for ways to address speeding issues.

Next meetings: Monday, September 27, 2021 - General meeting at Tamiani Tap
Monday, October 18, 2021 - Board meeting at 1855 Oak Street

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Liggett, Secretary