

Laurel Park Neighbor Association - Board Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM at Matt Arcari's residence, 1855 Oak Street

Board Members Present

Matt Arcari, President	Steve Fantauzzo
Cindy Taylor, Treasurer	Ron Kashden.
Annette Liggett, Secretary	Juliette Reynolds
	Jason Turner

Minutes - Juliette moved to approve LPNA Board meeting minutes from June 17, 2023.
Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report - Ron moved to approve the Treasurer's Report.
Motion approved.

Debits - (Picnic in the Park) = \$541.33

Credits

Membership Checks	= \$450.00
Membership Paypal	= \$484.07
Grant from City	= \$1,037.87

Current balance = **\$14,919.23**

Old Business

Neighborhood Complaints - Complaints have been reported regarding teenagers trespassing on private property to steal tako frogs and large vans parked too close to driveway entrances which are obstructing views of oncoming cars.

Benderson Development Community Workshop - All agreed the August 1, 2023 community workshop held in the Selby Library auditorium by Kimley Horn was well attended by LPNA members and friends. Discussion was held on how to keep City Commissioners and LPNA members well informed about this project over the coming months.

Oak Street Beautification Project - Ron reported that he talked with a representative of the City's engineering department regarding the need for resurfacing Oak Street. They will keep him informed of the City's schedule for this work.

New Business

Newsletter Ads - Ron reported we have a request from a representative of an upcoming film festival to place an ad in the LPNA newsletter. Cindy offered to draft a list of criteria the Board might use for selling newsletter ads.

Charette - Ron reported that he, Matt, Steve and Annette attended a zoom meeting with representatives from Torti-Gallas & Partners, a DC urban planning firm, Kimley-Horn and the Benderson Corp. to discuss holding a charette in Sarasota during the first week of October. The goal of the charette is to determine alternative concepts and a preferred plan for the Benderson project, which includes the 2+ acre parcel located within the Laurel Park boundaries. The Benderson Corp. is funding the charette and the Center for Architecture Sarasota will host it at their McCulloch Pavilion at 263 So. Orange St. Discussion followed regarding LPNA's role in providing the Torti-

Gallas Partners' firm with Laurel Park's historical context prior to the charette along with assurance of well-informed neighborhood participation during the 3-day charette. It was agreed that Ron will draft an email to the Torti-Gallas group regarding Laurel Park's interest/role in the charette for Board to review.

Action Items:

- 1) Cindy - draft criteria for printing/selling ads in the LPNA newsletter
- 2) Jason - contact Ada Carlisle re: driveway safety issues
- 3) Ron - draft an email to Torti-Gallas & Partners, et.al; Matt email final version
- 4) Ron and Jules - meet with as many City Commissioners as possible during September to informally educate them regarding the need to keep Laurel Park's current land use/zoning regulations intact.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Annette Liggett, Secretary