

**Laurel Park Neighbor Association - Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 22, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM at Matthew Arcari's residence, 1855 Oak Street

Board Members Present

Matthew Arcari, President
Annette Liggett, Secretary
Marc Epstein
Juliette Reynolds

Guests: Ron Kashden, Jolie McInnis, Stimson
Schwartz, Robert Sichel, Ron Watts

Board Minutes

Juliette moved to approve LPNA Board meeting minutes of January 22, 2024. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report

Starting Balance	11,085.80
CCNA Membership Fees	(60.00)
Contributions	2,009.86
Grant Reimbursement	980.62
Ending Balance	14,016.28

Marc moved to approve LPNA Treasurer's Report. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership - Annette reported we continue to receive 2024 membership registrations and expect more will register during Monday's general meeting. To date 107 members have renewed and 8 people outside the LP boundaries have joined as Friends of LPNA.

Benderson Development Project - Matt reported Benderson now has a March 15 extension to their pre-application to the City. They also asked to give a presentation/update to the LPNA membership at Monday night's meeting. After discussion, it was agreed to conduct our regular general meeting agenda first and give them from 6:30-7:00 to present and answer members' questions.

Department of Public Works - Steve was unable to attend this meeting but emailed an update reporting his work with the City on various traffic concerns. He will share the following information at the general meeting:

- 1) LP historical sign at north entrance on So. Osprey Ave. was hit by a car. The city is repairing it and will be reinstalled by the end of next week.
- 2) Oak Street resurfacing and beautification project - Steve talked with Camden Mills in the City's Planning Department who said that the RFP is going out next month, with repairs scheduled toward the end of the summer.
- 3) Osprey Speed Limit Signs - Steve and Jolie McInnis met with the City staff regarding the need for uniform 25 mile speed limits on So. Osprey Ave. City staff indicated this would require a comprehensive study of all the City's traffic patterns but offered to put signs at both ends of the street saying something like: "This is a Residential Area - Slow Down." To do this requires 60% of neighborhood signatures requesting such signs. Steve will bring petitions to the meeting to start the process of getting those signatures.

NEW BUSINESS

New Board Election - Jolie McInnis, Chair of the Nomination Committee gave a brief report on the nomination process for electing the 2024-2025 Board. She will run the election at the meeting and introduce the slate. The are: Matthew Arcari, Marc Epstein, Steve Fantauzzo, Helen Habbart, Annette Liggett, Juliette Reynolds, Stimson Schwartz, Robert Sichel and Ron Watts.

General Meeting - Discussion was held regarding possible agenda items and tasks needing to be done for the general membership meeting to be held this coming Monday at the Tamiami Tap.

Bayou Project - Ron reported that the County's 2025 1% local option (i.e., penny) tax that funds capital improvement projects includes a study of the Bayou. All good news a study has implications for Laurel Park, including the kayak launch area at the south end of Ohio PL. He offered to follow this process and report back to the Board.

Summary of Action Items:

- **Matthew**- Distribute General Mtg. Agenda to Board Members prior to the meeting.
- **Annette** - Continue membership drive/Set up check-in table at general meeting
- **Marc** - Get Microphone for General Meeting

Next Meeting:

2024-2026 Board Organizational Meeting - Monday, March 18, 2024 at 5 PM

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Liggett, Secretary