



## **November 13, 2017, 6:30pm, Petit Library Meeting minutes -- DRAFT**

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, December 11, 2017, 6:30 p.m. at Petit Library**

**WNA board members:** Kathy Downing, Zoe Meighan, Lynne Odell, Natalie Stetson, Damian Vallelonga, Marilyn Zaleon, DJ Hellerman

**WNA members and friends:** Melissa Montgomery, Brian Ratcliffe, Sam Gruber, Tony Gigliotti, Michael and Lisa Lehmann, Jane Kalkbrenner

**Welcome and introductions:** Grant Johnson is noticeably absent. Damian Vallelonga called the meeting to order at 6:34; those present introduced themselves.

**Approval of the October 9 meeting minutes:** Natalie moved; Zoe/Kathy seconded approval; passed unanimously.

**Fiscal report:** Natalie Stetson reported: \$ 5 in checking; \$3,341.63 in savings; \$1,146.32 in planter fund. Paid bill for prototype from planter fund.

**Neighborhood SPD report:** Officer M.I.A. Officer Chris Bresett (315.472.0528) is our new contact for community policing. WNA will contact captain Sweeny to inquire about 7am – 3pm times. Last email to Sweeny on 11/9 went unanswered. We will send another email.

Open call for safety concerns: street lights missing in two locations: Allen and Harvard and Allen and Clark. Natalie is aware of some streetlight issues. Damian will contact Nader.

Grant spoke with Latoya Allen our new Common Councilor, both LaToya and Joe were invited. Both 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> district.

### **Business: Old:**

**(Current) UNSAAC 2017-2018 – Street Amenities** – Committee Recommendation and voting  
Last month we closed the community RFP. We received approximately 24, wide range in age and location. The amenities sub committee met twice. RFP was widely distributed. From 24 to 7 and then to 2. Currently, we will ask two proposals to make adjustments. The area of focus: S. Beech and Westcott green space. Pete O'Connor and DPW – another area we will develop for public space. Maybe we can repurpose the bike rack?

Suggest we go to Mary Beth Roach – Parks Department

Discussion of the pros and cons of the proposals ensues.

The committee is making the recommendation that we proceed with 2 plants – Urban Rest Stop and the Look See Here: \$500 prize each and move forward with a budget of \$4k for benches and \$3 for Look See Here.

Kathy moved; Marilyn seconded approval; passed unanimously. The board will report back.

Locations: Community Garden, Huckster Hill, Tree lawn of Harvard part

Future UNSAAC proposal may be garbage cans.

**Purchasing a paver for Gerald Grant:** we will discuss with Judy. No PhD on the paver. Westcott Remembers, Gerald Grant, friend, mentor, past WNA president. Details TBD.

#### **Business: New:**

Euclid/Westcott crossing signals – Damian, Kathy emailed about this. 4 crosswalk signals. Neal Burke said a concurrent project and this will be rolled into that. WNA suggests we write letters. Kathy will look into who we could write to. Natalie would like to add a no turn on red sign complaint, but are in the wrong location.

The bike lane is going forward with painted lines.

**Endowment drive** - suggested by Jay UNSAAC average \$5-10k Sam cracks whip.

#### **Item reports:**

**Eastside TNT – October (Kathy)** Last month was an amazing deer discussion. Ticks and deer management plan was drafted, minutes are available if interested. Bait and culling in process. Fertility control can happen after a two or three-year period of culling.

**Awards Committee** – volunteers needed Jay and Sam will join. If there is a board member who wants to join, please say yes. Garden, home improvement, street appearance, good neighbor award. On second thought, maybe we don't need board members. We will issue a call for good neighbors. Michael will help with copy-editing.

**Communication Committee & Website Updates** – no update

#### **Neighbor input:**

Sam is the president of the arts and crafts committee. Beth Crawford is VP, Charles in secretary.

Jay wanted to share good news. Damian almost didn't let him. Picassos has a sidewalk and it looks great and is very safe. Sidewalk has been replaced between Korean restaurant and community garden.

Sam – a while back we did a sidewalk audit. Not sure what happened to that. Used to be complaint driven.

Natalie motioned to adjourn. DJ seconded. All in favor.