



December 11, 2023 pm, hybrid Board meeting minutes

NEXT MEETING: Monthly meeting, January 8, 2024

WNA Board members attending:

Andrea Buckvold, Kevin Montgomery, Marilyn Zaleon, Sam Gruber, Adam Felleman, Charles Tremper, Carol Johnson, Galyn Murphy-Stanley, Kimberly McCoy

Attendees:

Serenna (?), Michael Messina, Paul Harvey, Michael Zaremba, Corey Williams, Heidi Hart-Gorman, Jackie Lad, John Wojcikiewicz, Bridget Dunn, Lisa Warnecke

1. Welcome/Introduction
2. Approval of minutes
 - a. Minutes approved for November 2023
3. Financial Report
 - a. YTD –
 - i. \$590 unspent grant (restricted)
 - ii. \$2524 Operating Funds
 - iii. YTD memberships - \$970 (Fair to end of 2024)
4. Old Business
 - a. Membership
 - i. memberships are up
 - ii. Need improvement on soliciting memberships
 - iii. Idea of some SWAG being offered (Need someone to lead initiative)
 - iv. Idea – print flyer and put door to door
 - b. CNY Arts Grant
 - i. Adam F. interested in booking another event before Jan 2024 – to use unspent grant funds
 - ii. Nov. Events
 1. Childrens' event was nice, low attendance
 2. Allen Fellows Project Concert – well attended
 - iii. Note the 2023 Season of events was very successful
 - iv. Proposal to submit similar grant in 2024
 1. More poetry events in the spring
 2. Continue – Memorial, Halloween, Thanksgiving events
 3. Consider partnering with other organizations to build audience/participation
 4. Adam F. suggestion request Jazz in the City in neighborhood.
 5. Theme of grant 'Local Artists in Local Venues'

- v. Greenspace Inventory
 - 1. Concept of honoring greenspaces for local individuals.
 - 2. Inventory needed – including who is responsible for upkeep
 - 3. Matt Oja sent list if city spaces
 - 4. Benches needed- could be dedicated
 - 5. Jackie could be a liaison to Barry Park
- vi. Westcott Property Transfers Log
 - 1. Andy/Heidi are working together – data mining project in UNPA neighborhood
 - a. Transitions – Landowner to investor
 - b. Owner occupied to property manager
 - c. Not intended to be judgmental
 - d. Andy has options ready if volunteers step up
 - e. Discussed with Corey Williams – has interest
 - f. SEUNA also interested in participating
 - g. Useful for property tax, code enforcement, safety
- vii. Neighborhood updates
 - 1. Speed bumps now installed on Allen, Buckingham, Westminster
 - 2. TNT meeting info – Dec 12th
- viii. Business District Update
 - 1. Business contact list started (Andy, Sam)
 - 2. Westcott changes –
 - a. Lobster Babe closed for season
 - b. Loaded has construction activity
 - c. Westcott Website hard to keep current with restaurant hour changes
 - d. Saint Urban – closed
 - e. Westcott ReMix – financing trouble, possible construction in 2024

5. New Business

- a. Meeting schedule –
 - i. Keeping Second Monday schedule
 - ii. Annual Meeting Monday March 11th or Sunday the 10th
 - iii. Clean-up dates sent out by Sam
 - iv. Earth Day Clean up with UNPA/SEUNA Saturday April 20th
 - v. Memorial Date – not set
 - vi. Halloween Parade – Oct 26th or earlier
- b. Annual Meeting Planning
 - i. Suggestion to ask Corey Williams to speak
- c. Monthly meeting Plans/initiatives
 - i. Speakers – Heidi (UNPA), Galyn (Neighborhood Hunger), Emily Essi, Recycling Cans
 - ii. Focus on Hunger in the neighborhood
- d. TNT Grant –

- i. Proposal for funds for Kiosk
- ii. Due Dec 31st
- iii. Jamie Young/ Zeke Leonard asked to help with design/pricing
- iv. Permits may be needed
- v. Special meeting at Sam's house on Saturday.