

May 12, 2019, 6:30pm, Petit Library Meeting minutes -- DRAFT

NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 11, 2019, 6:30 p.m. at Petit

WNA board members: D.J. Hellerman, Alice Honig, Lynne Odell, Kate Palermo, Glenda Ranallo, Natalie Stetson, Charles Tremper, Damian Vallelonga, Marilyn Zaleon

WNA members and friends: Chris Bresett (SPD) Jane Kalkbrenner, Susannah Park

- Welcome and introductions:
 Damian Vallelonga called the meeting to order at 6:35; those present introduced themselves; he welcomed back to meetings board members Kate, Natalie, and DJ.
- 2. Approval of the February 11 and March 10 (annual) meeting minutes: Passed via vote through email. DJ Hellerman moved and Glenda Ranallo seconded approval of the April 8 meeting minutes; passed unanimously.
- 3. Fiscal report: Natalie Stetson reported: \$5.00 in checking; \$1,072.89 (\$.13 interest) in planter fund; and \$2,832.92 (\$.33 interest) in savings.
- 4. Neighborhood SPD report:

Officer Bresett reported a burglary in the 200 block of Roosevelt, resulting in a woman being tied up, her car stolen, and house ransacked. The suspect, arrested as a result of using security camera images, may have a connection with the victim's son. Increasingly camera operators have helped identify perpetrators. There were additional burglaries involving occupied houses; stolen computers identified as such by computer stores have helped track down burglars as well. With the students gone for the summer incidents are likely to increase. Officer Bresett may be contacted at (315) 901-1288 (always call 911 for emergencies).

- 5. Business: Old
 - UNSAAC 2018-2019 Update:
 Damian summarized the improvements being planned: replacement and new trash cans, with locations and design still being considered. He has contacted DPW who needs to be involved as project unfolds. Installation is likely in spring 2020, with fabrication being done over the winter.

6. Business: New

- Art Trail sponsorship: record of email vote
 A \$50 donation was approved via email vote and the check submitted.
- SU safety meeting recap:
 Additional cameras and more support for students needing late night transportation will be added.

7. Item reports:

- Eastside TNT: Glenda volunteered to attend.
- Committee and other updates:
 - Natalie will send text for memorial bricks to Jane Kalkbrenner
 - Damian has drafted the letter to businesses and will send to Glenda; letter proposes 3 levels of business membership (\$100, \$250, \$500) and emphasizing WNA accomplishments. Discussion then moved on to whether this is the best time to undertake this initiative, since they a currently being solicited for Street Fair donations.
 - Discussion segued to the planters (the money in the fund is for the 2018 planters—SU did not invoice WNA, so bill cannot be paid—no money from SU for 2019). The future of the planters is in doubt. Watering has proven problematic in past years. A day or 2 after the meeting, planters were installed for the 2019 season.
 - o Damian proposed a subcommittee on events, calling for volunteers.
 - o Discussion of officers and election of the same deferred.
 - Damian will report of changes to WNA web presence at next meeting.

8. Neighbor input:

- DJ raised posting and publicizing meetings. Adding them as events is possible, in Facebook and on the site.
- Lynne raised the issue of a dog park in Barry Park.
- Status of Levy School was discussed: likely to continue on as swing space for schools undergoing renovations.

9. Upcoming events:

- TNT meeting, Tuesday, May 13, 2019, 7 p.m., Nottingham School.
- Annual Barry Park Fun Run and dedication of Harry Lewis Way, Sunday May 19, 10 a.m.
- Neighborhood Website events: http://westcottsyr.com/events/
- Westcott community Center calendar: https://westcottcc.org/calendar/