



June 8, 2020, 7 pm, virtual, phone connection Board meeting minutes -- DRAFT

NEXT MEETING: tentatively Monday, July 13, 2020, 7 p.m., virtual

WNA Board members: Grant Johnson, D.J. Hellerman, Lynne Odell, Kate Oja, Kate Palermo, Glenda Ranallo, Natalie Stetson, Charles Tremper, Damian Vallelonga, Marilyn Zaleon

1. Welcome/introductions:

Grant called the meeting to order at 7 and those present introduced themselves. He added there had not been any pressing business and that when Petit would reopen was unknown. He then announced that Alice Honig and JAE Evangelisti have stepped down from the Board. JAE's resignation prompted discussions about appropriate deportment at meetings. This had been discussed at an earlier Board meeting, with the emphasis on members being open and welcoming to guests and to those attending to present proposals to the Board on possible activities or asking for support.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Annual meeting was cancelled; February 10 meeting minutes had not been sent for approval. Charles sent them to Grant Monday evening.

3. Fiscal report:

Natalie reported that \$5000 had recently been received from the city, but was not reflected in these figures: \$2925.00 in checking, with UNSAAC money to disbursed and an anticipated \$2500 to be then returned to savings; \$186.76 in savings; \$298.69 in planter (reflecting the recent purchase of 2 additional planters). Planters have not yet been installed. Natalie has been trying to activate the new bank card to allow Web site and other charges to be paid. Later in the meeting, at Lynne's suggestion, it was agreed to add the President as a second authorized signature for the card to provide back-up for Natalie.

4. Business: Old

UNSAAC 2018-2020 project update: Damian reported 13 trash cans were now being fabricated, with installation during the summer. Installation has been coordinated with DPW; with concrete bases to be installed where needed. The group agreed to move the Clarendon/Westcott can to Hawthorne to provide a can north of the business district. There is a can at Euclid, but none at Genesee. New bike racks will be installed near the florist at a cost of \$1000, and those removed earlier from Harvard will be re-installed across the street. WNA did not submit a proposal for a 2020/2021 grant. UNSAAC funding will hopefully continue.

5. Business, New

a. Upcoming meeting schedule:

Tentative board meeting (via phone) set for July 13. Agreement reached that meetings would be truncated, or not held, if there were issues to discuss or announce.

b. WNA mailbox:

The Westcott Community center (WCC) will no longer be providing mail boxes to other community groups. WNA will investigate alternatives; a post office box would cost more than \$100. In the course of discussions, the 2020 street fair was discussed. Applications for booths have been delayed until a firm decision made on whether the fair will take place.

c. Officer positions:

Grant reiterated his desire to step down and announced that Damian is willing to assume the office, and had already been fulfilling some of the duties. After discussions Grant proposed appointing a slate of officers in "acting" capacity until elections could be held: Damian Vallelonga, president; Grant Johnson, vice president, Natalie Stetson, treasurer; Charles Tremper, secretary. Grant moved to appoint this slate of officers; Lynne Odell seconded; passed unanimously.

6. Committee/Item reports: No updates from any. Beautification had proposed projects which had not come to pass.

7. Additional input

Lynne proposed a back up to Natalie to sign the bank card. Agreement reached to add president's name to card.

8. No upcoming events; most meetings cancelled,