

WNA board members: JAE Evangelisti, Grant Johnson, Kate Palermo, Kate Oja, Alice Honig, Glenda Ranallo, Lynne Odell, Damian Vallelonga, Natalie Stetson

WNA member and friends: Grace Flusche, Charlie Lester, Sam Gruber

- Welcome and introductions:
Grant Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:38; those present introduced themselves.
- Approval of the August 12 meeting minutes: Alice Honig moved; Glenda Ranallo seconded approval; passed unanimously. No additions or corrections.
- Fiscal report: Natalie Stetson reported. \$5 in checking; \$2,659.46 (\$.33 interest) in savings; \$1,073.44 (\$.14 interest) in planter account.
- Neighborhood SPD report:
 - [Officer's name] reported 14 total burglaries in the neighborhood. 2 were owner occupied. Most are getting in through opening windows/doors. 2 vehicles were taken, 3 larcenies from vehicles. The officer is available any time M – F from 6AM – 2PM. His number is 315.748.7288.
 - JAE expressed concern over the Westcott community lot still being blocked off due to construction, so cars are parking all over the street (both sides) and at Recess. Glenda commented that on Columbus Avenue cars have been parking on both sides.
 - Officer mentioned that there is a current academic graduating at the end of the year – they plan to begin running two at a time to get more police officers. He will take care of the parking concerns that were mentioned.
- Business – Old:
 - Project Trash Update: 27K through last UNSAAC funding to replace trash receptacles. Small subcommittee collected images to decide on design. Plan to meet after this meeting and will report next month. Sam asked what happened to the trash cans on Euclid Avenue. Damian is not sure, but are hoping they will reappear.
 - Sam expressed concern about the neighborhood not being consulted on the bike racks for the new Bike Share program. Grant mentioned that they were told to move the Westcott bike racks and the City said they would replace them, but so far nothing has happened. JAE commented that he reached out to Gotcha Bike, and they told him to contact the Mayor's office. Sam suggested writing a letter on behalf of WNA. Others agreed. A copy could be put on neighborhood sites like NextDoor. Damian will work on a draft.
 - Westcott Street Fair – Sunday, September 22, 2019: Lynne has a tent plus tables and chairs, as does Sam. Damian has other items. Need people to staff tables. Damian and Lynne will set up, Glenda, Grant, Kate P., Kate O., Natalie will volunteer. JAE can be an alternate for 45 minutes – 1 hour. If anyone needs an alternate, let the board know. JAE can help bring items back to Lynne after it's over.

- Business – New:
 - Huckster Hill/Bus clean up: bricks need to be weeded – should occur on the 14th/15th. JAE can bring mulch, if needed. Kate O. will connect with Melissa Montgomery and then copy the rest of the group with a date and details. Focus is on the area around the benches, and be finished before the Fair this weekend. The glass on the bus shelter also needs to be cleaned. JAE will reach out to Centro to see who cleans their other bus shelters and what supplies they use.

- Item reports:
 - TNT tomorrow: they are looking for facilitators. Glenda will attend and Sam might.
 - Westcott Remembers: no updates, Sam suggested doing a brick for Lillian Kinney.
 - Website: n/a
 - Planters: n/a
 - Neighborhood Watch: Lynne reported that it's officially on NextDoor. Occurs at 6PM on the last Wednesday of every month at the Westcott Community Center. They are looking for people who are homebound to help keep an eye out. Some training materials are available, and they are hoping for more people to sign up. Area is very large – maybe break it up like Scottholm Blvd. does. Cops are looking for people to keep an eye on certain houses. 70% of burglaries happen in places with no neighborhood watch. Monthly meetings will serve as training opportunities. Same is a little concerned about profiling – Lynne will make sure this is covered. Lynne does have signs up, and has a few more for free. People can also buy them for \$13/sign. Will keep this as a standing committee update.
 - JAE has concerns about Boom Babies and the cones they place in the street to close off the area around it. Landlord put snow/gravel in the parking spots. He thinks WNA should play more of a part in improving the neighborhood – mainly parking. Grant commented that parking is an impossible problem, as patrons are coming to Beer Belly and the theater, etc., and are also patronizing the neighborhood. Dave Michael approached him about parking, but it did not go forward. Same would like a parking study done on the East Side.

- Upcoming events:
 - Next month is the Board Retreat. We will focus on the bigger picture items. Monday, October 14th at 6:30 PM at Echo – 466 Westcott Street.
 - Arts & Crafts Society with the Stickley House will have a table at the Fair. Stickley House will be open for tours. The Foundation has asked for volunteers to help clean.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53PM.