

BNA Board Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2024 – 7:00 pm

In Person and Via Zoom

Present: Cassie Petsos, Holly Petsos, Bob Genthner, Jim Nicholson, John McQueen, Frank Fields, Ann Kanthor, Jane Way, Kathy Grady, Kathy Boyle

Excused: Sara Castro, David Kaiser, Cara Paul, Dede Ranger, Sharon Bloemendaal

Approved minutes of October 10, 2023

Treasurer Report – John McQueen – fiscal condition for 06/01/2023 – 04/04/2024

Revenue \$4,922.66

Expenses \$6,018.86 (Major expenses – liability ins. \$320.19, School #46 book project \$462.40, Crier costs \$928.00, ice cream social \$772.00, Winter Gathering \$2,645.91)

Year to date loss (\$1,096.20)

Cash assets \$19,140.94

BNA Members paid this fiscal year - 202 (30% of all BNA households)

Committee and Topic reports

Ad Hoc Nominating Committee VP, Secretary and Treasurer candidates are current office holders

President Frank Fields is stepping down as of June 1 and Patrick Phillips, who attended part of the meeting, is considering nomination as next President. He told the board he will consider the position and will let the Board know well prior to the May 14 Annual Meeting.

Garden Committee Jim Nicholson introduced the topic of the next Garden Walk, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, June 16. The Committee consists of Sharon, Jim and Joyce Nagel. The details were discussed and left up to the Committee, including whether to open the Walk to the public, whether to charge (\$5) and where to set up the registration table(s). There may be as many as 20 gardens on the Walk and the event will be renamed the “Shady “ Walk.

Annual Meeting It will be held on May 14 in the St. John’s Church basement on Humboldt St. We will seek as speakers Erica Hernandez, Coordinator of the Southeast Neighborhood Center and either the City Historian, Christine Ridarsky, or Cynthia Howk of the Landmark Society. Frank will contact Erica and Cassie will reach out to the City Historian and/or Ms. Howk.

Ice Cream Social The date will be Thursday, June 27, subject to approvals by the City School District and Netsins. Frank will contact the School District and Kathy has already been in contact with Netsins. There will be no charge but a box for donations will be offered. Better BNA signage will be sought.

Summer Picnic Subject to approval of a shelter by the County, we are targeting July 18 at Ellison Park. There will be a piece in the upcoming Crier.

Movie in the Park BNA will do another movie in the Park sometime in August. We will strive to have more notice of the date.

Old Business

Zoning Code Update There was considerable discussion of the next step. The City Zoning Department is considering the numerous comments submitted , including that by BNA and the City Zoning Department will release a revised draft in late Summer/early Fall to the public and to the City Council for their consideration. Cassie expressed great concern about the live/work classification which would allow up to 50% of a single-family residence to be used for commercial purposes.

School #46 Book Project. The Board approved up to \$500 for the 2024 book project, which provides new books for all incoming kindergarten students.

New Business

Rose Garden

There is a broken bench in the Rost Garden and the Board approved using up to \$200 from funds leftover from a grant many years ago for Rose Garden maintenance purposes. There is a need to replace up to 30 rose bushes. Cassie will contact the City about removing the old bushes and will obtain an estimate of the cost of replacement of the rose bushes.

Next Crier Cassie is aiming to finalize the new Crier in the next week or two, with articles about the Winter Gathering, the Annual Meeting, the upcoming Ice Cream Social and the Summer Picnic.

Adjourned 9:00 pm