

Highland Park Community Council Board Meeting
September 6, 2018
Union Project

In attendance:

Justin Sandherr
Karin Manovich
Paul Miller
Glen Schultz
Mac Lynch
Monica Watt
Betsy Rogerson
Mary Beth Green

Absent:

Sam Albano
Dave Grasso
Dave Atkinson
Christine Adams
Stephanie Walsh
Jake Pawlak

Proceedings:

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM.

New Board Members

New Board Members Mac Lynch and Justin Sandherr were welcomed and introduced.

New Business:

Reservoir of Jazz

- The 2018 Reservoir of Jazz raised \$3,041 from the 50/50 raffle, which was slightly under the budgeted amount of \$3,300.

Finance Committee Update.....Paul Miller, Treasurer and Glenn Shultz, Chair

- Paul reviewed budget performance.
- The Super Playground Fund has been zeroed out. The balance is being used to kick start the design process for the new playground by the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy, who is leading the design portion of the project. A check is in the process of being issued to the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy.
- Membership dues will be the main source of revenue for the HPCC this year since there will not be a house tour. Working to move renewals to July. Still in the process of advancing the membership renewals.
- Glenn proposed establishing an investment advisory committee to assist the finance committee. Mac volunteered to be on the committee and will meet with Glenn.

ALCOSAN Green First Request.....Monica Watt, President

- The Clean Rivers Campaign and the Sierra Club have requested a letter of support from HPCC, along with other neighborhoods, to ALCOSAN requesting that the \$2million dollar cap to ALCOSAN's GROW Program be removed.
- The HPCC letter of support was circulated to the board via email prior to the meeting.
- Motion: To submit the letter of support from HPCC as written.
- Motion by: Monica Watt; seconded by Paul Miller
- Motion passed with 6 in support and 1 abstaining.

Zone 5 Police Update

- There has been a rash of car break-ins and traffic concerns in the neighborhood.
- Ideas for communicating safety steps to prevent car break-ins and dangerous traffic practices to residents were discussed.
- It was suggested that the next membership mailing could be redesigned to communicate key information to the community and make the card more useful.
- Using HPCC social media more frequently and strategically in the summer with safety reminders will be prioritized.

Neighborhood Clean-Up

- Justin discussed details of the upcoming neighborhood clean-up on September 22nd, which he is organizing. It will begin at the Fulton School at 9:00 AM and will continue until 11:00 AM. We will be competing against other Pittsburgh neighborhoods to see who can pick up the most trash in two hours. This is the second neighborhood clean-up organized by Justin this year.

Upcoming Community Meetings Monthly Speakers

- August: Shade Tree Commission/City Forester presenting on the Tree Study recently completed; Danielle Crumrine, Executive Director, Tree Pittsburgh
- September: Preservation Pittsburgh Presents their Parks Initiative; Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy re: Negley Run Watershed Project; Director Ricks, Director of Mobility and Infrastructure, City of Pittsburgh (tentative)
- October: Father Paul of FOCUS in the Hill District; PWSA requested to return with an update (tentative).
- November: Wines for the Holidays with Jack Brice

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

The next board meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Union Project.