

HPCC

Monthly Community Meeting

April 19, 2018

St. Andrew's Church

Meeting Called to order at 7:12pm by Jake Pawlak

Police Zone 5 Update- Officer Jeffrey Crawford and Jay Gilmer

Highland Park has been quiet crime-wise. Surrounding areas continue to experience car break-ins. Residents are invited to the 4th Annual Open House at Zone 5 which will take place on June 9th from 12:00-5:00 PM. The event will include food, games, music, petting zoo, dunk tank, and an opportunity to meet the officers.

The public is invited to two free community workshops on procedural justice and the dangers of implicit bias taking place on April 24th and April 28th.

Magisterial District Judge-Honorable Mik Pappas

Judge Pappas was elected in November of 2017. The first 100 days in office were reviewed, along with an overview of the election returns and campaign activities. The Morningside-based district magistrate office, which services Pittsburgh wards 8, 10, and 11, is responsible for hearing civil cases (such as debt collections), landlord/tenant cases, payment determination hearings, PLI cases, truancy cases, and private criminal cases. Judge Pappas is seeking to lay a foundation for transformative change in the office and has already significantly increased settlements in landlord/tenant cases compared to recent years. Goals, initiatives, and strategy for change were described in detail.

Community Announcements-Jake Pawlak

- Neighborhood Clean-up to be held on April 21st at 10:00 AM
- Port Authority Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) will hold a public meeting at Eastminster Presbyterian Church on May 2nd at 6:30 PM.
- Sign up to participate in the June 3rd Highland Park Yard Sale at hpccpgh.org

House Tour Committee Update- Janine Seale, Chair

The House Tour is scheduled for Saturday, May 12, 2018 (Mothers' Day Weekend) from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM and will include 10 homes. Volunteers are still needed.

NeighborWorks Western Pennsylvania-Kelsey Salerno, AmeriCorps

The organization has been in existence for 50 years and provides financial and home ownership services to the community. Group classes for first time homebuyers, credit counseling, budgeting classes, and financial education workshops are some of the available services. Visit nwwpa.org for additional information.

City of Pittsburgh- Leah Friedman, Community Affairs Liaison, Mayor's office

The community is invited to participate in five Deliberative Democracy Forums to assist in choosing a sculpture to honor the legacy of African American women in Pittsburgh.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 17, 2018 at St. Andrews at 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM