

**Board members in attendance:** Sally Drucker, Paul Shea, Larry Sachs, Tom Siracusa, Eudice Fogel, Dennis Hack

**Guests in attendance:** Jerry Swarzman, Nada Riley, Laura Meyers

**Call to Order:** the meeting was called to order at 6:41 pm by President Sally Drucker.

**Review/Approve minutes of April meeting:** Erik made motion for approval, seconded by Eudice Fogel, the vote was in the affirmative.

**Treasurers report:** Sally Drucker is serving as interim Treasurer with Erik Heitman serving as assistant. Treasurer Candidate, Chris Paradowitz, has confirmed interest and is awaiting his membership status to be Sally continues to work with Congressman Quigley's office to renew LCA's non-profit status; Larry Sachs volunteered to assist Sally with continued efforts to reinstate non-profit status.

**Committee reports:**

**Planning and Zoning:** Anne Moore was not in attendance but sent report to board prior to meeting. Erik Heitman encouraged LCA membership to attend Alderman Hopkins' special community meeting with developers of the proposed Royal George Theatre.

**Parks and Beautification:** Erik Heitman gave report of ongoing improvements at Lincoln Central Park. Nada and Laura gave a report of improvements and planned activities at Fire Station Park. Nada proposed Little Free Library for FSP; Nada would love for this to be a community effort to design and build the Little Free Library... Board members expressed enthusiasm for the idea. Nada and Laura will be preparing a Chicago Excellence in Gardening Awards nomination for FSP.

**Community Affairs:** Nada is planning Safety Walk + Safety & Inspection Walk middle of July. Nada asked if there would be any LCA funds to donate towards events at (2) CHA senior living facilities within LCA boundaries:

1. July 8<sup>th</sup> BBQ
2. July 28<sup>th</sup> BBQ

CHA housing facilities are located at 1845 Larrabee and 2111 N. Halsted; events are hosted by Alderman office

Eudice made motion to donate \$200 to each event, Erik Heitman seconded, the motion passed.

Larry Sachs reported on meeting with Larry Gross regarding ongoing efforts to enhance community outreach with CPD. Larry Gross said success would look like, Larry turned it back on Larry Sachs; Larry said he's having fun with it.

**Membership and Communication:** Jill Dale and Jacob Ringer were not in attendance but sent report to board prior to meeting.

- Sally reported that everything is going well. Asked for volunteers to create content for the newsletter.
- Paul and Larry would like to add metrics on membership numbers
- Paul and Larry both expressed concern that numbers of dues paying members are declining.

**Events:** Eudice reported a couple things: Carnival's Block Party is asking for LCA volunteers to help with setup the day of the event.

- Gemini is providing food and beverages. Eudice is looking for tables and chairs.
- LCA will have a table and will be collecting donations.
- Event is scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:00PM – volunteers are needed at 11:00 AM to help with setup.
- Howler at Bauler and Evening in the Garden planning is underway.
- Eudice would like to hire balloon artist for Evening in the Garden to keep kids occupied – Laura expressed concern about Evening in the Garden and majority concurred.
- Eudice is currently paying for party expenditures and will submit receipts for reimbursement.
- Evening in the Garden will be Sunday, September 11th.
- Howler at Bauler will be Saturday, October 29th.
- No Spring Zing, but there will be Carnival Block Party and Barn Dance.

**New Business:**

There being no further new business before the board a motion to adjourn was made by Jill, seconded by Eudice, approved by voice vote at 7:27pm.

Submitted July 8, 2022, by Erik Heitman, Vice President