

## **June 22, 2023 - LCA Board Meeting Minutes @ Belmont Village**

Minutes by Paul Shea

### Board Members in attendance:

Erik Heitman, Paul Shea, Nancy Morris, Chris Paradowicz, Eudice Fogel, Larry Sachs, Debra Dobbs, Michael Patterson

Absent: Jill Dale, Tom Siracusa, Dennis Hack, Brian Kasal, Jacob Ringer

Guests in attendance: Nada Riley, Jerry Swartzman, Laura Meyers, Karen Kane

Meeting called to order 6:39 pm.

Minutes from May 2023 – Board Meeting – Eudice moved to approve; Nancy seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

### **Special Guest – Karen Kane – elected rep for 18<sup>th</sup> district Police Council**

- Council was formed by action of the City Council
- Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month
- Voice of the people within the district for policing matters & public safety
- Will make nominations for seven person city-wide Commission – CCPSA
- Currently on “Listening Tour”

### **Treasurer’s report**

No report this month.

Chairs to complete proposed budgets for 2023 and email to Erik, Jill and Brian by next week for discussion and approval.

Brian is ready to refile our status as a corporation and then to update it to reinstate our 501c3 status with help from Congressman Quigley’s office.

### **Committee Reports with assigned Chairs for 2023**

Opportunity for all Board members to identify and join committees that they would like to join. Reach out to Chairs directly.

Planning & Zoning – Anne Moore - Written report this month.

New tenant seeking add a new BBQ restaurant into 1935 N Sedgewick (formerly Sedgewick’s) which has been vacant for some time. Requires a zoning change even though prior establishment was already a bar. We support zoning change in this case.

Parks & Beautification – Nada Riley – verbal report this month.

Thanks, Tom Hall, for new “little library” at LCP. Looks great! Kudos to Jerry for enduring all the blisters he endured while digging a whole big enough for library foundation!

FSP looking good – time to upgrade the Herb garden.

Ella Jenkins Park – holding a commemoration on Aug 6<sup>th</sup>.

Oz Park – Fundraiser currently under way – buy a “picket” (\$200) for the fence to show your support.

Larry made a motion for LCA to buy a picket in support, Debra 2<sup>nd</sup> – unanimously approved.

Community Affairs – Nada Riley – written report this month.

Ward & Safety Walks on hold for now while Alderman’s new staff organizes.

Communications – Jill Dale - Full Report submitted.

June newsletter will announce summer events of which there are many.

We currently have 93 regular members, 43 lifetime members and 136 total.

Jacob will send the approved 6 months of Scheduled Events from Bauler Park.

Membership – Jacob Ringer / Anne Moore – no report this month

Remaining date for Summer Socials.

- Ogden Park – on Thursday, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>

Events – Eudice Fogel - written report.

- Block Party w/ Carnival – July 15 noon to 3 pm– planning mostly complete
- Need help at 11 for set up and after wards for takedown. Thanks in advance for volunteering!
- Mid-North likely to have a table at the event
- Evening in the Garden – 9/17 – planning underway – still looking for in-kind food partners
- Board members and others can contribute to the potluck table as well.
- Howler at Bauler confirmed for 10/28 – planning underway. May raise the \$ donation entry this year to cover the increased costs of putting on this popular event.
- Would like to continue tradition of Buy Back or Better – need Board members to solicit Gift Certificates from area businesses for this LCA fundraising event.

Arts & Culture – open

Sponsorship (new) - open

### **Other / New Business**

Erik suggested an LCA Board team building session last meeting but not discussed.

Motion made to spend \$500 to purchase LCA branded Tote Bags to generate interest in LCA Organization. Approved

Nancy moved to adjourn the meeting; Erik seconded. Meeting Adjourned – 8:02 pm.

Next Meeting – Thursday, July 27