

February West University Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 01, 2018

Trinity Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall 4th Ave. & University Blvd.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Welcome

6:33pm roll call

All present except Michael Barker, Richard Fifer, Tamara Prime, Jane McCollum, Carolyn Niethammer, Elizabeth Koleski, and Yvonne Arden.

Judy Sensibar, the new president, makes a brief welcoming speech discussing how she will conduct the meetings and invites the area reps to advocate for their area. She wants to plan regular gatherings outside of meetings so neighbors can get to know one another in a friendly setting. She also advocates to include the University and the Fraternities when possible.

6:44 Carolyn Niethammer and Richard Fifer are now present.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Treasurers' report

Jim Glock states that the Street Fair Winter Beer booth tips totaled \$1,045. These are donated to the Food Bank. There will be a dividend deposit of approximately \$3000 from the fair. There is also a check in the sum of \$12,500 from a settlement made with the owners of the last student tower to be used for traffic mitigation.

Matt Williams moves to approve the Treasurer's report as submitted, Jan Labate seconds the motion, Lizette DeMars abstains. The motion passes.

December meeting minutes are reviewed.

Matt Williams moves to approve the December minutes, Lizette DeMars abstains. Discussion ensues.

Jim Glock moves to approve the December minutes with the corrections noted by Chris Gans. The motion is seconded by Jan Labate. The Minutes are approved with the corrections.

Matt Williams moves to approve the January minutes as submitted. Jan Labate seconds the motion. There being no further comments, the January minutes are approved.

III. Call to the Audience

Chris Gans makes a recommendation to the leadership that the Draft of the minutes be published on the Website. The idea will be considered by the Board

Carolyn Niethammer has the Recommended Vendors List almost ready but would like some recommendations.

Lizette DeMars found a white chicken 6th & University.

Chris Gans states that there will be a Brush & Bulky pickup on the East side of the neighborhood in late February. The Schedule is on the City of Tucson website.

IV. Street Fair

Jack Shomonta states that the Spring Street Fair is set for March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. There is one month to get the recruiting information out to the neighbors. He is open to suggestions for finding more volunteers for the committee. Below is the link to sign up for a shift:

<https://doodle.com/poll/ni8i5nfa7gpgpygd>

Gentle Ben's Richard Fifer will send employees our way. All Area Reps should consider offering to cover at least one four- hour shift.

Judy Sensibar states that she has arranged for a volunteer who will get a \$500 stipend from the association to help manage the Beer Booth. The Board had previously agreed to the stipend at least for the Spring Fair. In an effort to include the Fraternities and help them complete community service hours, there is a discussion regarding how to best approach this resource.

Richard Fifer states that one employee at Gentle Ben's is involved in KA and will be reached out to. He reminds everyone that you must be at least 18 to serve beer.

Sally Rusk discusses koozies and states that The Gloo Factory submitted a quote of \$1.50 for 500 or \$0.99 for 1000.

Judy Sensibar moves that we ask Sally Rusk to proceed with the Gloo Factory, to order 500 koozies with the WUNA logo, our name and the words "Arizona's largest historic district." We will charge \$2.00 for the koozies. The monies to pay Gloo Factory will be taken from the Unrestricted Funds. Jim Glock seconds the motion. There being no further discussion the motion passes.

V. Committee Reports

CCRC Campus Community Relations Committee

John Patterson stated that the neighborhood hotline is again functional. Please call 520 282 3649 for concerns about student activities, including loud music.

The Arizona stadium upgrades for restrooms and ADA compliance are in the works, Hillenbrand pool will soon have a new 70-meter diving board, there will more shade at Hillenbrand softball field as well as enlarged dug outs, and there is a new indoor facility at Sanset field. **Development Committee**

Chris Gans discusses the plans for Tall Boys Restaurant on the northeast corner of 4th & 5th. They are requesting an Extension of Premises to move utilities, bike racks, back flow water and a few other improvements. They will continue to operate from 12 pm to 2 am. They are seeking permission to build a 7-foot patio and have assured the neighborhood that there will be no outdoor music, either acoustic or amplified.

Henry Werchen moves to support the Tall Boys temporary revocable easement for the 7-foot patio and extension of premises for their liquor license with the condition that there be no outdoor music of any sort. Chris Gans seconds. Judy Sensibar abstains. There being no further discussion, motion passes.

Speedway/Euclid Development.

Chris Gans states that the project is still percolating, but advises, since WUNA does not meet until April, that we make a statement in support of Feldman's neighborhood.

Chris Gans makes a motion to state that WUNA opposes the proposed Peak Campus private dorm project at Euclid and Speedway and support Feldman Neighborhood Association in the opposition to a private dorm in their neighborhood. Dan Wilhelm speaks to the projects and his understanding of how the developments are being proposed, including the destruction of 12 historic buildings. Also, to the congestion that will occur if the projects proceed. Discussion ensues. John Patterson seconds motion. There being no further discussion, the motion carries unanimously.

Miscellaneous Notice from the City Clerk

Jim Glock states that there are two special event Liquor Permits and four pending Applications for a Liquor License on file with the Mayor and Council. Further, a rezoning case has been filed on 4th Ave and 6th Street. Avenue. Cypress Civil Development, in partnership with EdR, is going forward with their proposed Infill project at 340 E. 6th Street.

VI. Plant Exchange March 25 and other upcoming community events

- Lenor Glover states that she hopes to have some kind of monthly gathering outside of the meetings. The first of which will be The Plant Exchange. This will take place in Catalina Park from 1-3 pm on Sunday March 25. A flyer will be available on the Forum and the Website.
- There are also plans in the works a speaker April 19 at Exo coffee on 6th Ave with informal discussion and socializing. Possible topics walkability and water harvesting.
- Other ideas:
- Quaker Meeting house. Lenore states that they do have a group that meets on Thursday evening but they are open to different community events.
- Potluck and Jan. meeting were successful. Perhaps we could do this one more time. Breakfast?
- Richard Fifer states that Gentle Bens is also available as meeting space.

Jim Glock moves that we allow the events coordinator to have a \$50 budget for refreshments, paper, etc., Carolyn Niethammer seconds. Without further discussion the motion carries by all present.

VII. Traffic Mitigation

Jim Glock will be resurrecting the traffic mitigation committee. Barb Tanzillo has found a way to tap the fraternities and got the traffic circle at 7th Ave and 2nd Street cleaned up.

6th Avenue is getting a lot more fast moving traffic. Some people on the board have advocated for a road diet on 6th Avenue, but the proposal needs more conversation.

Jim Glock will contact the Living Streets Alliance to put together a committee. Further, he will pursue the feasibility of the proposed city plan of two circles on 4th Street.

John Patterson and Chris Gans volunteer to do groundwork on the two existing traffic circles at 1st Ave and 1st and 2nd St. as well as 2ⁿ St and 7th Ave.

Jim Glock moves that John Patterson be allocated \$100 to assist in the getting a tree or any other gardening item he might need to plant a tree at the 2nd St and 7th Ave circle. Lenor Glover seconds the motions. There being no objection, the motion carries.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Jan Labate moves to adjourn. John Patterson seconds the motion. There being no objection, at 8:27 the meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Bly