

**WUNA Monthly Meeting
November 7, 2013**

The meeting was held at the Trinity Presbyterian Church.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Welcome

President Gans called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Board officers attending during roll call: Chris Gans, President; Richard Mayers, Vice President; Jim Glock, Secretary/Treasurer.

Board members attending: Janet Pitts Labate (Area 1); Jim Chaffee (Area 3); CJ Jones (Area 8).

At Large: Michael Morse John Patterson; Kurt Tallis; Matt Williams; Carolyn Niethammer.

Guests: Jack Shomenta; Erin Willet (SABCL); Steve Kozachik (Ward 6); Molly thrasher (Ward 60); Karen Nygaard; Lisa Agababian; Rob Paulus (Mr. Carwash).

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes (10/7/2013) and Treasurer's Report (11/7/2013)

a. Niethammer moved, seconded by Chaffee to approve minutes of October 3, 2013. Two spelling errors were noted. Motion passed by all attending with Mayers and Gans abstaining.

b. Glock presented the Treasurer's report for the period from 3/7/2013 through 11/7/2013, noting that it has been reconciled to bank statement balances. Compared to the last adopted Treasurer's report of 3/7/2013, Glock noted that the balance brought forward for the Wells Fargo Checking account should have been \$19,995.21 not \$18,162.41 and the balance brought forward for the General Operating account should have been \$40,187.38 not \$38,334.95. Glock also noted that \$1,000 was transferred to the Well Fargo Savings account (CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Account to avoid the automatic transfer of funds used for avoiding monthly fees. Pitts Labate moved, seconded by Chaffee to approve Treasurers report. Motion passed by all attending with Mayers and Gans abstaining. Williams noted that the City should be contacted regarding the transfer of the \$1,000 to make sure it acknowledged.

III. Announcements – Open

a. Tallis noted that the bike swap meet is scheduled for 11/16/2013.

IV. Call to the Audience

a. No one came forward to speak.

V. Buffelgrass Info – Tucson Clean and Beautiful

a. Willet presented background information and issues associated with Buffelgrass.

b. A packet of information on Buffelgrass was left for the Board's review.

VI. Mister Carwash headquarters: Rob Paulus

a. Paulus presented plans for the new Mr. Carwash headquarters to be located in the building on the south east corner of 5th Street and 6th Avenue.

b. Renovations should be completed by early summer

c. Questions were posed and answered regarding parking (the lot will be lit and locked at night); landscaping (Hackberry trees will be installed along 6th Avenue); and traffic mitigation (Gans asked that mitigation be funded along 5th Street and 6th Avenue).

VII. Winter Street fair booth

a. The Fair will be held on December 13, 14 & 15.

- b. WUNA beer booth will be located next to Hippy Gypsy on the south east corner of 4th Avenue and 7th Street.
- c. Gans noted that this year a manager for the booth for each day of the fair will be assigned. Jones, Mayers, and Gans volunteered to take on these positions.
- d. Jack Shomenta and Jadel Roe will solicit volunteers to cover morning and evening shifts with help from Niethammer.
- e. Gans noted the need to focus on breaking down jobs into selling, stocking/pulling and checking identifications.
- f. Roughly six people per shift are needed with additional assistance during afternoon.
- g. Gans will attend mandatory orientation meeting.

VIII. Board elections, annual meeting and newsletter mailing

- a. Gans noted the need to plan for the annual meeting, board elections and newsletter
- b. Gans, Labate Pitts and Jones volunteer to be the planning committee for the event
- c. Niethammer and Nygaard to work on newsletter.
- d. Gans noted that all seats are up for election/reelection.
- e. Candidates for President, Vice –President, Area 2, Area 5 and Area 7 need to be identified.
- f. Williams volunteered to run for Area 9

IX. Development Update

- a. Gans noted 801-817 East 4th Street site is still in play. Gans, Patterson, Chaffee, Mayers and Jones met at Bob Vint’s office to see proposed plans. Mid-level hotel with retail, 4 to 6 stories is being proposed. WUNA may have input on this based upon need for demolition permit.
- b. Greater Infill Incentive District (GIID) is under review. Mayers noted that a sub-committee with representatives from various neighborhoods has met and will be meeting to provide input. Mayer noted that Les Pierce has been instrumental in preparing large scale maps that show the GIID boundaries in relation to zoning and neighborhood boundaries. Mayers moved and Morse seconded to compensate Les Pierce at a rate of \$15.00 per hour for 22 hours for her work on the map (\$330.00) total. Motion passed by all attending with Gans abstaining. In addition, it was noted that John Burr has been vigilante on the part of all downtown neighborhoods regarding the GIID and the planning issues related to Historic Districts. A letter of thanks is to be prepared and sent to John expressing WUNA’s gratitude for his efforts.
- c. Trinity Church planning is still underway. Trinity Church members, Randi Dorman and Rob Paulus let a meeting to discuss options that are being considered. Their presentation was kept a pretty low level of detail and specifics.
- d. The Rabinovitz building and the parking lot north of University east of 4th Avenue developable parcels appear to be waiting until the Streetcar becomes operational.
- e. Niethammer noted a lack of open space and plazas in the new developments.
- f. Gans noted that GIID overlays 30 historic properties. Mayers noted that there is an administrative policy to not apply the GIID to H Zoned properties. Gans noted potential need to expend funds for a legal opinion to review this issue.

X. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.