

MINUTES

JWN Executive Board Meeting – June 8th, 2021 (for May and June)

Board Members Present: Ted Coopman (Chair), Vanessa Wheeler (Vice Chair), Sue Cummings (Treasurer), Stephanie Coopman, Susan Connolly, Duncan Rhodes, Eric Dil

Absences: None Guests: Emily Semple

1. Meeting called to order

Chair called meeting at 6:38 to order. Agenda adjustments: None.

2. Brief reports from Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and NLC rep

Chair (Ted) - Situation concerning unhoused camp on Naval Reserve Site has again deteriorated and expanded. Some neighbors had meeting with Emily. No response from city management on new issues. It appears that city is willing to let this camp continue until it gets sanctioned sites running. Clearly city is responsible. I got names of lawyers and suggested neighbors sue. / ADU Ordinance: Again, getting slow walked by Planning, latest message was that they are waiting for date from Council on vote/hearing before they are ready to negotiate. ADU survey is operational (make sure to take it). 44 responses so far. / e-News complaint: No word from HRNI yet. / Good Neighbor Agreements for TMS and Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) (in process).

Treasurer (Sue) - Sue reports following totals: OCCU Savings Account: \$ 795.24. Neighborhood Investment / Outreach Investment Funds: estimate \$ 2,411.69 Petty cash: \$ 58.03. ENI Account: \$ 176.00.

Secretary (Eric) - Draft Minutes of March 16th, 2021 and April 20th, 2021 Board meetings will follow.

NLC (Vanessa) - Whiteaker is moving forward with vaccine clinic with art, etc. Proposal for transportation committee with representatives from each neighborhood. I (Vanessa) am willing to do. NLC looking for volunteers for maintaining NLC website content. New NLC website accommodates this quite well.

3. Brief committee reports

Neighborhood Matching Grant - Nothing going on concerning NMG. We now know how we can get things done with institutions like EWEB. They didn't like our proposal for murals on their substation. 'Maybe as you at least paint it.' Now they painted it! Fencing went up and it looks good. In the end we reached a lot!

Outreach - Mailer will be send out this week. Stephanie: Concerning summer Newsletter I will send out July deadline etc. this week. Hope we can continue with theme 'Reconnecting with (your) neighborhood'.

Events – Sue: Tuesday July 13, 5:30 - 7:30 pm Pollinators Mural dedication at Charnel Mulligan Park. Bring you own picnic. Jazz combo from Jeff will play (although

availability of power will maybe be an issue). I will ask park volunteer coordinator. Emily: I am willing to ask inside city organisation. Ted: If necessary I have portable battery. Sue: Tomorrow Wednesday June 9th at 5 pm volunteers meeting in park.

Advisory boards - Ted: Renter Advisory Board any traction on it? Duncan: No. Maybe I should pay for some doorhangers. Ted: You maybe should think about using post-its with message printed on it. Emily: I like that idea.

Friends of parks affiliates - Ted: Last work party was under-attended. Working to get more people out. Bought sander for repainting wooden park tables and benches. City won't put in "no overnight parking" zone as they say it can't be enforced and does not work as a deterrent. Charnel Mulligan Park cleanup is done too. We have now active groups in all our parks. Lincoln School Park remodelling should start next year.

Committees - No committees going on.

4. Prior general meeting review

Representatives of tenants and renters organisation were good; very useful contacts for future activities. Concerning mixed Zoom / in-person Board/General meetings the following. Ted: In July I will contact church if they are available and willing to again house our GM. Vanessa: I see advantages in hybrid approach. It offers people who otherwise couldn't join possibility to stay involved. Duncan: What do we need for that? Camera, internet connection? Ted: Intend to use survey through e-News to get impression how comfortable people are with idea of in-person meeting. Live-streaming could be an alternative.

5. RPP update

Vanessa: Thanks for prompt reaction to draft postcard layout! Postcard is meant as mailer to solicit people within proposed Residential Parking Zone. Final draft for card and survey are ready. They (parking) are paying for postage etc.

6. Sidewalk survey

Duncan distributes two page example of Sidewalk survey form AARP. Vanessa: There are simpler and easier surveys available. There exists maybe also an app to do this. Duncan: I asked two people if they could set up a GIS connected survey system. I don't have response yet.

7. Volunteer projects - Tree Survey / West 11th and West 13th revisions

Concerning Tree Survey following. Emily: City has map of every single tree. Doesn't also Friends for Trees has an overview of vacant places for new trees? City is redoing its foresting plan. They added \$ 50,000 budget for trees! Duncan: Why not using native trees? Emily: There is list of approved trees. Susan: I am willing to help in Sidewalk / Tree survey. Stephanie asks Emily: Do you think there would be some money for sidewalks? Emily: They are very concerned about it. City is thinking about loan / investment program. Vanessa: Maybe federal transportation program offers opportunities. / Concerning W 11th and W 13th revisions following. Ted: If we are serious about Vision Zero and Climate Change then a revision of W 11th and W 13th in

two-way streets would be a logical step. Vanessa, are you still up to write kind of synopsis about it? Vanessa: Yes, I feel pretty sure about it.

8. Naval Reserve Site Implementation Plan/vote and recruitment

Ted: we got authorisation of the neighborhood. We need member of board that wants to take lead. Infrastructure for project is there. We have list-serve to connect with involved neighbors.

9. Land Use / Upzoning

Ted: They (city) are not looking for public input on that. They never liked special area zones. We as neighborhood association have role to inform our neighbors about developments like this. We will dedicate special e-News to this item.

10. Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:48 pm

ACTIONS

- Inform Ted if you want to be involved with Naval Reserve Housing plan and to what degree. (action all)
- Inform Ted if you want to be involved with revising and expanding JW Special Area Zone. (action all)
- Organise event with people Westmoreland Park rest-stop (action Ted)
- Ask her team if there is an app available for sidewalk survey (action Vanessa)