

West End Neighborhood Association, Inc. P.O. Box 21054 Winston-Salem, NC 27120

Minutes of the Meeting of October 24, 2023

Attendance: Peter Kramer, George Bryan, Carmen Kiper, Frank Johnson, Lynne Linnet(later in meeting), Justine Mitchell, Hunter McKay, Jordan Lloyd, Dan McLaughlin, Jessica Chandler

(Items needing action are marked with "*")

Meeting called to order 6:01pm by Vice President, Hunter McKay

First order of business was the approval of minutes of September. There was unanimous approval.

Hunter introduced Jordan Lloyd who had been introduced by his resume to the Board last month. A motion was made to elect him to the current open Board slot to serve til February's annual meeting when he could be voted in for another term. He was elected unanimously and welcomed to the Board of Directors. Hunter mentioned that he would be sure he was on the Board ListServe.* Jordan gave some background on himself. He has Board experience and is VP of Operations at the YM. He lives on Crafton St.

There was continued discussion of revising bylaws for business slots within the neighborhood. George and Peter will work on a draft bylaws change.

Jessica reviewed the concert event in Grace Court. The folks that attended enjoyed the event. Jessica mentioned that the event competed with numerous other Fall events and she would plan a future event at a time that didn't have so much activity.

Peter discussed the Holiday Schedule for the Board. Everyone seemed fine with the meeting in November, however the meeting in December may be cancelled as it will be Christmas week.

The Board will work on membership in the new year. Lynne encouraged someone to "shadow" Mark Lively if they want to help with Business Members as he knows them well.

(George Bryan dropped off the call due to software issues and rejoined at this point).

Mark LeBrecque discussed Neighborhood Watch efforts. He expressed concern about Winston-Salem's increased homicides- rising from 23 and 24 in previous years to already at 33 this year. He mentioned vehicle thefts were up – 706 this year versus 620 and 583 in previous years. He discussed the assault of a local antique dealer on Reynolda Road. Mark also discussed how he had handled tents with folks in them in Hanes Park. He called police and they left a note on the tents telling them they were not allowed to camp there. Mark updated the Board on the pilot test of cameras to assist police with crimes. There have been technical issues and George will help try to solve these.

George Bryan reported on the memorial for PJ. He has called 811 and utilities were identified in the traffic island. He has talked with PJ's wife, Brenda Penny, and will be installing the memorial tomorrow and drapping it. Brenda will be planning an unveiling and West End will publicize.

George reported on the walking safety audit initiated by Kim Wilson, a West End resident. The audit reviewed West End from Remedy to Board St. Various suggestions were offered and will be shared by Kim at an upcoming meeting. One item of concern was that the bushes had grown on the Board St island partially blocking views of merging traffic.

George also reported on HRC agenda for this month. The main item was an "after the fact" sign on Humble Bee. Hunter asked if this triggered the fine. George will check with the HRC. All other issues were minor works and behind homes.

Traffic Islands: Dan McLaughlin reported Summit was planted and mulched and has many bulbs. George added that W 4th St bumpouts were weeded by someone and look good.

Treasurers report: Peter reported the we have received nearly \$5K in memberships this year. As of last month we have lost \$877 mainly due to events sponsored. As this is an off year for home tour the budget comes from excess funds in previous year. Total assets are close to \$48K.

Lynne reported on a culvert replacement at Sunset and Jarvis. She has had to call about the poor asphalt replacement. She will continue to follow up.

The meeting Adjourned at 7:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

George Bryan

Secretary.