



BUSINESS ASSOCIATION OF WEST PARKSIDE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Thursday, August 15th, 2013

Attendees: Ozzie Bailey, Paul Brauer, Florence Churchill, Ron Coleman, Shonte Eley, Art Fastman, Andrew Goodman, Cassandra Hayes, Regina Knecht, Jessica Rodriguez, Juliana Muganza, Eric Nzeribe, Tim Nolf, Marjorie Ogilvie, Miller Parker, Mitch Pen, Harris Steinberg, Sarah Stirzel Cuzzolina, Leslie Walker, and Robert Zakian

Regrets: Stanley Simpkins

Meeting was called to order at 9:00am by M. Ogilvie

Announcements

A. Public Safety Meeting

1. Wednesday, August 21, 2013
2. 11:30am – 12:30
3. Shop Rite Community Room
4. It was mentioned to make sure that the Kids at the new school have a walking route through the shopping center for their safety.

Old Business:

- A. 47th & Parkside Ave – Commerce is following up
- B. Dumping behind Tennis Courts – Josh Cohen is pursuing this and will update us as soon as he has more information

New Business:

- A. Andrew Goodman and Harris Steinberg from PennPraxis
 - a. PennPraxis is a non affiliated group that has done research studies and plans before for the city, such as suggestions for the Delaware River Front and Benjamin Franklin Parkway.
 - b. The current task is funded by the William Penn Foundation and supported by the City of Philadelphia's Parks and Recreation Department with a deadline of winter 2014.
 - c. They are attempting to look at some quick possible projects to implement and some long term visionary goals for the entire Fairmount Park.
 - d. Currently the Park has an identity crisis, so they are researching what the park wants to be while honoring the legacy of being a built as a watershed.
 - e. Goals are to continue researching the communities thoughts, finalize the key priorities, and then develop those into projects and plans.
 - f. Questions or concerns proposed by members:
 - i. Safety in the park: some police force or lighting
 - ii. Boat house row and new boathouses

- iii. Vehicle access and pedestrian access to the park
- iv. Centennial Lake
- v. Buying locally when the projects start to be realized such as who are they getting paper supplies or chairs from.
- vi. Opening up the park area to local vendors.

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B. Business Association of West Parkside Recognition Awards

- 1. September 26th, 2013 at 5:30
- 2. Tickets now available - \$20 members, \$25 nonmembers, additional \$5 dollars at the door
- 3. We are requesting members reach out and invite contacts to attend. It is a neat opportunity to see what the Business Association is about and network with other people during the hour of live music.

Meeting Adjourned @ 9:50am by M. Ogilvie

Next Meetings:

Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 4th, 2013
9:00 AM
PBTC Main Office

General Meeting
Thursday, September 19th, 2013
9:00 AM
PBTC Main Office