

Allegheny City Central Association

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General Membership Meeting Minutes Monday, March 13, 2017 Fabled Table, 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance (39)

Anna Ahronheim, John Augustine, Patricia Buck, Nicholas Cafardi, David Charlton, Laurie Charlton, Dan Deis, Kathy Deis, Patrick Dexter, Bill Donovan, Nan Donovan, Adel Fougnies, Chris Gates, Joan Gielas, Donna Green, Jerrold Green, Tom Hardy, Kent Hensley, Arthur James, Diana Nelson Jones, Vanessa Joseph, Todd Kilgore, Jeff Martin, Glenn Olcerst, Molly Onufer, Nichele Parker, Erin Powers, Craig Reinhard, James Rich, Danielle Ross, Nick Ross, Kristin Saunders, Brian Shannon, Patrick Sweeney, Barbara Talerico, Erin Tobin, Andrew Wickesberg, Rachel Wojdowski, Jamie Younger

Introduction

The regular monthly meeting for the membership of the Allegheny City Central Association was held on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at Fabled Table. The meeting was presided by Andrew Wickesberg and recorded by Nick Ross.

Announcements/General Discussion

Kathy Deis motioned to approve February meeting minutes, seconded by Patrick Dexter. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Martin from the Office of Councilwoman Harris informed the group of procedure to have streets added to paving list. Residents are to contact the Councilwoman's office with recommendations.

Molly Onufer from Office of Community Affairs announced Inclusive Innovation Week 3/31-4/07. Molly also announced water filtration program has been funded and distribution plan is in the works. Lead test kits can be obtained for free from PWSA. Andrew Wickesberg will invite PWSA to speak at an upcoming meeting.

Kristin Saunders, Transportation Planner with City Planning, updated the group on the creation of a new transportation department in the city, the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure. Kristin also announced street projects upcoming this year including bicycle and pedestrian upgrades to Brighton Road in conjunction with paving.

Erin Tobin from Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy announced submission of a grant application for the Northeast Fountain, Allegheny Promenade, and West Commons Pedestrian Bridge. Resident support is needed and all are encouraged to submit their comments online (see ACCA weekend update). Dan Deis motioned in favor of letter of support, Donna Green seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Andrew Wickesberg noted the Commonwealth Court's decision to uphold the ruling against zoning variance for the Garden Theater Block and requested feedback from the community on the preferred steps forward. Residents were interested in exploring demolition, but also interested in understanding all options more thoroughly.

Dan Deis motioned to send letter to URA requesting they present options at next meeting. Craig Reinhard motioned to include that preservation is no longer a requirement in said letter, Barb seconds. Motion carried 20-2.

Donna Green motioned to adjourn.

