Allegheny City Central Association



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General Membership Meeting Minutes Monday, April 12, 2021 Zoom Virtual Meeting, 7:00 pm

In Attendance (15):

Lisa Bakowski, Beth Boroumand, John Canning, Maggie Connor, Nan Donovan, Joan Gielas, Rachael Heisler, Arthur James, Faith Mudd, Glenn Olcerst, Sherah Rothman, Vincent Salvino, Barbara Talerico, Erin Tobin, Matt Williamson

Introduction:

The regular monthly meeting for the membership of the Allegheny City Central Association was held on **Monday, April 12** at **7:00 pm** via Zoom. The meeting was presided by **Maggie Connor**, and minutes transcribed from recordings by **Vincent Salvino**.

Announcements/General Discussion:

Minutes from March 8, 2021 General Membership Meeting:

Maggie Connor posted links to the minutes from the March 8 General Membership Meeting in Zoom Chat. Beth Boroumand motioned to accept the March minutes. Sherah Rothman seconded. Motion passed.

Faith Mudd from Councilman Wilson's Office:

- No announcements, but available for questions.
- Beth asked about the paving list. It was posted on DOMI's site.
- Maggie mentioned that Veto between Eloise and Gentry was on the list. She also noted that any streets impacted by the PWSA Lead line replacement work would not be listed on the DOMI site and would be part of PWSA's contract/work.

Erin Tobin from Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy:

- "What the Muck" engaged 70 volunteers. Got done in 1.5 days. Mulched all the trees and weeded/mulched near the aviary.
- The Northeast Fountain will be turned on soon, will be dedicating it in Patricia Rooney's honor.
- The Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy Programming Committee had two meetings last week. Help spread the word.



- Geese Mitigation, post in the Weekend Update explained all the efforts (<u>https://www.alleghenycitycentral.org/2021/04/geese-mitigation-plan-for-allegheny-commons-park/</u>). Basically, it is geese harassment to help deter.
- The lake will always need to be drained to clean the manmade bottom. The majority of the muck in the lake is organic matter (leaves).

Other/New Business:

ACCA Board of Directors Election:

Maggie Connor posted the link to renew dues (<u>https://www.alleghenycitycentral.org/acca/join-renew/</u>).

The election of new Board Members will be held at the May 10th General Membership Meeting. Currently five members' terms are coming to an end. More than five can run for this election as there is room on the board.

Development of Neighborhood Lots:

Maggie Connor brought up the development of the lots on Alpine. ACCA had previously entered into a sales agreement with October Development that is no longer in effect. The group discussed what kind of development members want to see. Glenn mentioned that because October Development is swamped with work all over the city, we should get more RFPs from other developers. Vincent asked about making sure the RFP had an affordable housing component. Arthur asked about Electronic Vehicle charging stations.

Northside Leadership Conference and Neighborhood Priorities:

Beth Boroumand reported that the Northside Leadership Conference is made up of representative from 14-15 neighborhood groups. Maggie and Beth are the representatives for ACCA. They attend meetings to help set up priorities and proposals for the greater Northside.

Every 6 years, NSLC applies for an NPP Grant to make large scale improvements throughout the Northside. The grant is \$500,000 a year. NSLC is asking neighborhood groups to identify their top five priorities. If there is something that is important to you as a priority for our neighborhood and the Northside in general, you can send an email to info@accapgh.org. ACCA wants to be sure that they are telling the NSLC the correct priorities that this community has.

Conservatorship of Lots in Allegheny City Central:

Maggie Connor discussed two lots in the neighborhood that October Development wants to develop through conservatorship. The ACCA is aware, and as of now, it doesn't seem like it will make it through the courts. Rachel asked about conservatorship. Conservatorship was explained.

Status of Light of Life Rescue Mission:

Barb Talerico asked about the status of Light of Life on North Avenue. Barb will follow up with Light of Life tomorrow.



Upcoming Mayoral Debate:

The Northside Chamber of Conference is holding a mayoral debate on April 22 and 1PM. To view the debate: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a4IX_psfiK4</u>

Traffic on Jacksonia Street:

John Canning asked about the amount of traffic that uses Jacksonia to cross through the neighborhood. Traffic through the neighborhood was discussed. Vincent asked about painting curbs yellow to open-up the intersections. Maggie mentioned Bike-Ped planning.

Adjournment:

Sherah Rothman motioned to adjourn. Beth Boroumand seconded. Meeting adjourned

