



General Membership Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 12, 2023
Fabled Table, 7:00 pm

In Attendance (25):

Amir Boroumand, Beth Boroumand, Sheila Collins, Brittany Conkle, Maggie Connor, Joan Gielas, Donna Green, Jerrold Green, Matthew Hartford, Julianne Hluska, Arthur James, Joan Kimmel, Katherine Lattimore Stern, Vincent Salvino, Nancy Schaefer, Rick Stern, Patrick Sweeney, Richard Thompson, Erin Tobin, James Wick, Laura Winter, Maria Riley, Eric Stern, Evan Zuzik, Eliza Wick

Introduction:

The regular monthly meeting for the membership of Allegheny City Central Association was held on **Monday, June 12, 2023** at **7:00 pm** at **Fabled Table**. The meeting was presided by **Maggie Connor**, and minutes were recorded by **Vincent Salvino**.

Maggie Connor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Joan Kimmel motioned to approve the Meeting Minutes from February, March, and April, 2023. Dick Thompson seconded. Minutes approved.
- All Meeting Minutes can be found on ACCA's website:
<https://www.alleghenycitycentral.org/acca/meeting-minutes/>

New Business:

Joan Kimmel for Arch Court

- **Arch Court Board of Directors Election Results**
 - Joan Kimmel identified the new Board Members for Arch Court: Randy Strothman, Belle Battista, and Frank Battista
 - Laura Winter motioned to accept the new Board Members. Brittany Conkle seconded. Motion passed.

James Wick and Laura Winter for Alpine Parklet

- Privately-Owned Adjacent Lot 23-E-229:
 - The lot next to Alpine Parklet (Lot 23-E-229) is privately owned. Efforts have been made to add the lot to the parklet. Beth Boroumand motioned to support the lot remaining green space. Sheila Collins seconded. Motion passed.
 - Dick mentioned it would be necessary to do a title search.
- URA-Owned Lot 23-F-301
 - James and Laura also spoke about adding a community garden in Lot 23-F-301. This lot is owned by the URA.
 - The lots next to the one in question was discussed since they are owned by the ACCA.
 - Motion was made to request that Lot 23-F-301 be prepared to be leased from the URA for the purpose of creating a community garden.
- Vince mentioned that James and Laura become the committee chairs of the Beautification Committee

Maria Riley from Riverlife: Allegheny Landing

- Allegheny Landing is being redeveloped and community support is critical in the first phase.
- ACCA members were invited to identify priorities for Allegheny Landing through an interactive activity.
- An Allegheny Landing Public Meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday, June 27 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. There will be other meetings in August and September.
- More information about the Allegheny Landing Project can be found on the Engage Pittsburgh webpage:
<https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/allegheny-landing>

Julianne Hluska from Councilperson Bobby Wilson's Office

- The lights are still out in Allegheny Commons Park. Duquesne Light secured approvals from the city to install the equipment.
- Allegheny General Hospital will return to the City Planning Commission on Tuesday, June 13 at 1:30 pm for public comment and a potential vote on their Institutional Master Plan. The Public Hearing Notice can be found at:
https://apps.pittsburghpa.gov/redtail/images/21333_AGH_Notice.pdf
- Sue Murray Pool will be opening on June 17th. This year, the city has been able to open 15 pools compared to 12 last year.
- Jefferson Rec Center is in Councilman Daniel Lavelle's district.
- The Basketball Courts and Tennis Court lights are also off.



Erin Tobin from Pittsburgh Park Conservancy

- Erin mentioned there is funding in the city budget for lights in the Basketball Courts.
- Work on Allegheny Commons Park Promenade will begin next week and wrap-up this year.
- The Fountain in East Commons clogs quickly.
- Valley Refuge Shelter in Riverview Park will be renovated. The cost will be \$210,000.
- Beth motioned to write a letter of support to secure funding of \$210,000. Laura Winter seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Vincent Salvino: Changes to the ACCA By-Laws

- At the May 8, 2023 General Membership Meeting, a motion was made to amend Article V Section 1 of the ACCA By-Laws from a minimum of “seven” to a minimum of “five” Board Members. This is the second notification of this change to the By-Laws.

Current Article V Section 1:

ARTICLE V – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 – Number and Qualifications:

*The affairs of the Association shall be governed by a board of directors composed of not less than **seven (7)** nor more than fifteen (15) persons. ...*

Will be Changed to:

ARTICLE V – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 – Number and Qualifications:

*The affairs of the Association shall be governed by a board of directors composed of not less than **five (5)** nor more than fifteen (15) persons. ...*

- The new verbiage of the amended section will be voted on at the July General Membership Meeting.

The Meeting was Adjourned.

