

Chatham Arch Neighborhood Association   
Tuesday, September 24, 2013   
6:30 pm – Social Gathering

7:00 pm – Business Meeting  
Firefighters Union Hall, 748 Massachusetts Avenue

Present: Sally Spiers, Lynn Pike, Gary Pike, Linda Hughes, Ann Moore, Larry Cleaver,l Greg Peck, Linda Hammel, Barb Tegarden, Steve Tegarden, Kathy Curtis, Colleen Agee, Gary Agee, Katherine Kendrick, Steve Thornton, Brad Coomer, Walter Barts, Jim Ream, Paula Ream, John Hall, Penny Hall, Sarah Anderson, Marie Mande, Paul Ross, T, Harvey, M. Harvey

Sally Spiers called the meeting to order at 7:02.

Minutes

Following a motion by Kathy Curtis and a second from Gary Pike, minutes of the July 2013 meeting was approved.

Guests

* Linda Hammel, Zion Church Community Liaison
* Paul Ross, Community Liaison for Mayor Ballard
* Tony Brown, CANA’s favorite IMPD officer

Old business

There was no old business.

New business

* Annual meeting in November!
* Board vacancies and election of Nominating Committee
  + Four needed to serve on the board, which meets monthly on the penultimate Tuesday.
  + Sally’s motion to elect board members Gary Pike and Sarah Anderson and member-at-large Ann Moore for the Nominating Committee was approved.

Presentations

* Stormwater – Taryn Houchin
  + Of DPW’s programs, this is the least funded but most important to consumers, as evidenced by the responsibilities…
    - Maintaining dams, including ones at Eagle’s Creek and Pogue’s Run
    - Responding to 20,000 complaints about drainage issues each year
    - Fixing the problems, especially with the combined sanitary sewer/stormwater drainage system
      * Will cost $320 million to fix
      * Downtown has combined sanitary sewer/stormwater drainage system → no more inlets
    - Citizens Energy maintains but does not own the stormwater system. Call 924-3311 if you have questions or want to report a problem.
    - Neighborhoods are responsible for clearing all grates of debris.
  + Capital funding is decreasing
    - 2013 $15 million → 2014, 2015 → $3.5 million → 2016 $2 million
  + Plan
    - Measure impervious surface area properties and assess at rate of $1.10 per 1000 square feet
    - Both residential and nonresidential properties may qualify for credits
    - Public hearing September 25th at 1:00
    - Pass any questions along to Sally
* Indianapolis Monumental Marathon – Casey Collins, Community Outreach Manager for Mayor Ballard
  + The race is always set for the first Saturday in November – this year November 2.
  + Massachusetts Avenue will be CLOSED.
  + Traffic in Chatham Arch will be otherwise impacted between 8:15 and 9:30.
  + There will be a direct mailing to residents along the route.
* Update on Firefighters’ Union and Hall activities – Union President Mike Reeves
  + Massive project will soon be under way, as the east wall of the building is in bad shape and must come down.
  + Massachusetts Avenue will be closed October 2 from 11:30 – noon for the reading of the names of those killed in the line of duty, including the two EMS workers killed earlier this year.
  + The Union provided the new curbs at the north end of the alley between St. Clair and Massachusetts.

Reports

* Membership – Gary Agee
  + As of this date, there are 111 members. Applications will appear in the November *Urban Times*.
* Finance – Steve Thornton
  + Bank balance as of 08/31/13 $41,480.05.
  + Expenses = income for the reporting period.
  + 2014 budget to be presented at the November meeting.
* CANA Foundation – Brad Coomer
  + Board members and officers:
    - Brad Coomer, President
    - Clay Miller, Secretary
    - Brad Luther, Treasurer
    - Jen Clady
    - Annie Lear
    - Richard Sullivan
    - Jim Moore
  + Alley between St. Clair and Massachusetts:
    - CANAF provided $22,160 of the $65,360 cost.
* Wine-tasting fundraiser – Sarah Anderson
  + Working on a date. It will be great. Stay tuned.
* Fall clean-up – Sarah Anderson
  + No date yet but keep the first part of November in the back of your minds.
* Community garden – Sarah Anderson
  + Thanks to Tom Hanify!
* 2014 Home Tour – Sally Spiers for Jen Clady
  + Contact Jen if you’re interested in helping.

Thanks to Mike Reeves and the Firefighters’ Union for providing beer and pretzels!

Next meeting Tuesday, October 29: Social gathering 6:30; Business meeting 7:00

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.