

# Clifton Heights Neighborhood Association Minutes (CHNA)

## January 23, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Steve Cavin President. Present were Jeff Fister Vice President, Sue Van Rees Secretary and Debbie Layne Treasurer.

**Treasurer's report:** We started with a balance of \$1139.89. Donations of \$73.00 were received at the Candy Cane Hunt leaving a balance of \$1,212.89.

### **Public Officials**

**PO Scaggs and Captain Mike Mueller-** Captain Mueller updated us on crime in the area. Car thefts are still a problem mostly Kais. He encouraged people to get a club. Catalytic converters are still being taken. Despite these ongoing problems crime is down about 10%. Officer Skaggs can be reached at [Skaggs@slmpd.org](mailto:Skaggs@slmpd.org). We thank both of them for their time and service.

**Bret Aryan** –Bret was not present but let us know that he has filed two bills to upgrade plumbing codes and deal with lead abatement.

**NIS Brian Colby-** discussed storm drainage issues and steps being taken to alleviate flooding. Brian also reminded everyone to get a club. Clubs are available for purchase through the Dept. of Revenue. Brian can be reached at [Koldeb@stlouis-mo.gov](mailto:Koldeb@stlouis-mo.gov), 314-657-1364.

**Speakers -Jack McDonnell, arborist-** Jack is working on a grant to improve trees in Clifton Park and elsewhere in the neighborhood. If he can get 20 volunteers to work 6 hours we are eligible for \$18,000.00 from the Department of Conservation. He encouraged people to sign up to volunteer. Jack can be reached at 636-259-6902.

**Carolyn McMahon,** Democratic committee person Carolyn reminded us that the primary election for full term for President of the Board of Alderman is March 7<sup>th</sup>. Important dates-1/24 apply for absentee ballots, 2/8 last day to register to vote, 2/21 absentee voting begins, 3/6 ends absentee voting.

**Lori Fritsche** appeared to discuss her soon to open tattoo studio at the corner of Clifton and Southwest. Lori says there will be no walk ins accepted and intends to keep it a small operation. There is a zoom meeting concerning the zoning on 1/25/23 where neighbors can learn more and express concerns.

**Old Business** – Crazy Bowls and Wraps is ready to start building.

**Election of Officers-**The existing slate of officers was once again nominated. Election will be at the 3/27/23 meeting.

**New Business-** Mason School is having a Trivia Night April 1<sup>st</sup>. We are donating \$250.00.

**Upcoming Events- April 8 Easter Egg Hunt, August 2<sup>nd</sup> Watermelon Social in the park, October 14 or 21<sup>st</sup> Fall Fest and Shredder Event, December 9<sup>th</sup> Candy Cane Hunt.**

**Am vets-** Breakfast with the Easter Bunny April 2nd, BBQs will start in spring.

**Next Meeting - March 27<sup>th</sup> 2023 SIUE Hall [rear entry parking] 6:30pm**



