

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. 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, 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 7th. 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 1st. We are donating \$250.00.

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

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

Next Meeting - March 27th 2023 SIUE Hall [rear entry parking] 6:30pm

