

# SSHCA Board Meeting Minutes

Seminole Heights Library

Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 5:30 pm

- I. **Call to Order** by Stephen Lytle, President; Also present were board members Steve Swiger, Dawn Dayringer, Sharlene Hartford, Kisha Linebaugh, Jordan Miller, Tatiana Huudma, and Ken Hacek, resident.
  
- II. **Correspondence**
  - a. E-mails
    - i. Tree Canopy Update – Reached out to Parks and Rec several months ago to do a Tree sustainability project at Rivercrest to replace the vanishing canopy from dead and dying trees, and a tree removal down by docks. Eric from Parks and Recreation will have a Tree Sustainability Plan to us by month's end: a 1 year, 5 year and 10 year plan for all the Grand and Laurel Oaks.
    - ii. Ryan Hill Emails: Sent us email questioning what we're doing with the funds from our account, and copied Ryan Slater of City Neighborhood Empowerment. We responded to explain how we are working toward making Heights Units self-funding project, the expense of the Street Art trail, and other projects. Also shared that balances from all our accounts are always posted on our website after each meeting in the minutes.
    - iii. Kathi Lopez Emails: Regarding Stephen answering on Unofficial page regarding her status on the website.
  - b. Website
  - c. Facebook
    - i. Herman Bips – Complained and withdrew from Heights Unites Art Booth because he couldn't select his own booth partner for the event after he had been approved as a vendor. He wanted to add a jewelry vendor and we already had two. We try hard not to have much duplication of vendors.
  - d. PO BOX – Information regarding 111 West Genesee which has already been approved by City Council and previously discussed by the board multiple times, and by representatives of the project at our board meeting.
  
- III. **Executive Board Updates:**
  - a. Delegates
    - i. Brian – Broward Elementary sent us a list of items needed for children at the school. We agreed that we would help twice a year with a spring and back to school drive for the items. Father Daughter Dance is coming up within a month or so, as well as the Spaghetti Dinner. Dawn Dayringer moved that we give Broward \$200 for each event. Steve Swiger seconded. Motion approved 6-0.
    - ii. David – New LED Street Lights he requested for North Boulevard have been installed.
    - iii. Kisha – will plan goals with us at the Board Retreat
  - b. Secretary
    - i. Minutes – Asked for a process change so that board reviews minutes before posting on our website. We also agreed the goal is to always have them posted within 72 hours of the meeting.
  - c. Treasurer
    - i. Balances as of 01/31/19 –Checking \$9,957 Savings \$9,432.74, Paypal \$1,033 and Cash Box \$30.67; Income for Heights Unites Sponsorships have been coming in, so our income was up to \$3,508 for January. We will also setup a group email to all our

personal emails for the monthly electronic distribution of the Treasurer's Report so it can be posted with the minutes, and improve our transparency and communication with the community membership.

- d. Vice President
  - i. Candidate forum recap – Steve Swiger organized our SSHCA Volunteers and thanked Keisha, Brian, Dawn and Sharlene for volunteering for the event. Council had 150 attendees, Mayor was 300 attendees. Got great feedback from the candidates and community.
- e. President
  - i. Need to submit info for the Hillsborough County Arts Grant once done  
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  - ii. Working with new location in areas for a members-only event
  - iii. Working with Wes Burdette for a community walkthrough of Avenue Lofts
  - iv. Tree Code Re-write -Thurs City Council Meeting. Stephen reviewed the 3 changes and what was the recommendations. Sharlene Hartford stated that she strongly opposes lowering the 5" limb pruning code requiring permitting to 4" limb pruning code to require the expense of permitting. The opposition is due to the unnecessary burden to those of moderate means and the elderly. Further, a 4" limb that could be cut with a pruning saw shouldn't have a \$120 permit expense. All community neighborhoods are supporting these changes and the consensus was that we will join them in support of the changes.

#### **IV. Committee Updates:**

- a. Beautification
  - i. Art Trail – locations approved, artwork pending approval.
    - 1. Waiting on revised design from Holland
    - 2. All art supplies in
    - 3. Requesting community volunteers to edge and pressure wash the areas for them.
  - ii. Rivercrest Park Canopy Preservation Update
  - iii. Wall Mural at Louisiana Pump Station
- b. Communications
  - i. Need to have newsletter done by 3/15 to print
    - 1. Humane Society – new ads
  - ii. Would like to find a chair for Communications
- c. Events
  - i. Board Retreat – Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
  - ii. 2/10 - Sunday Morning Market (Sharlene noon to 2 p.m.)
  - iii. 3/10 – Sunday Morning Market (Kisha, Dawn)
  - iv. March Happy Hour – March 15<sup>th</sup> (will try to schedule at Nebraska Mini Market)
  - v. 4/14 - Sunday Morning Market (Brian 9:30 to noon, Sharlene Noon to 2)
  - vi. June Happy Hour – Location/Date (maybe community dinner?)
  - vii. Spring LORP – Summer Move in Park – LORP?
  - viii. Fall – Halloween 10/31/19
- d. Heights Unites
  - i. Payments for approval
    - 1. Generator/Lighting – \$988.99

2. Heights Unites Posters - \$410
  3. T-shirts (volunteer and event) – Volunteer \$644 total, Event \$8.50 each, ordering 150, \$1,275
  4. Security – Already approved – \$900 (need names)
  5. Bands Performing – Already approved – \$2,700 (need names)
  6. Motion made that payment for all Heights Unites expenses approved by Sharlene Hartford, seconded by Steven Swiger, passed 7-0
- ii. Volunteers from board for 50/50 and poster sales
  - iii. 50/50 Sharlene and Kisha 1:00 to 6:00
  - iv. Posters Brian and Dawn
- e. Land Use/Transportation
- i. New Chair – Jordan Miller
  - ii. Avenue Lofts – Opening March
  - iii. Street lighting update
- f. Membership - Sandy Ray is staying to assist the new Events/Membership Chair with the membership database
- g. Neighborhood Watch
- i. Need a chair
  - ii. Community outreach being planned by Districts -

**V. Old Business:**

- a. Community Survey
  - i. Updates on results will be presented at the board retreat.
- b. Committee Chair Updates
  - i. Beautification – Donna Stark
  - ii. Land Use/Transportation – Jordan Miller, new chair. Steve Swiger brought Jordan up to speed on conversation with William Porth, arising from questions asked at our last general meeting about installing a stop sign on Highland Southbound at Highland. The city is currently studying that possibility. Provided other updates about the problem areas in our community.
  - iii. Events/Membership – Sandy Ray/Tatiana Huddma
  - iv. Communications – Open
  - v. Neighborhood Watch – Open

VI. Steve Swiger made a motion to approve Donna Stark as Beautification Chair, Jordan Miller as Land Use/Transportation Chair and Tatiana Huddma as Events/Membership Chair. Dawn Dayringer seconded, passed 7-0.

VII. **New Business** none

VIII. **Resident Forum (2 min each)** none

IX. **Closing**

*SSHCA By-Laws, Article VII, Duties of Office: In general: All officers shall attend general membership meetings and the executive board meetings. Failure to attend three consecutive meetings without prior notice shall constitute resignation. Notice of anticipated absences shall be given to the presiding officer of the meeting to be missed.*