

Central Park West – Community Meeting Minutes 2.27.25

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Attendees: Emily Reid (President), Matt Wilson (Vice-President), Penny Johnson (Treasurer), Rebecca Hollenbach (Reporter), Luann Maguire (6th) Daniel Sanders (6th), Niels Piepgrass, Jessica Murphy and James (Floral Terrace), Jed Johnson (Floral Terr), Judy Stallard (Floral Terr), Ann Walsh (Park Ave), Phil Bevins and Lis Pennington (Floral Terr), Peggy Muller (Floral Terr), Angela and Justin Elliott (6th), Ann Adams (6th)

- President kicked off the meeting by sharing our organizational vision and purpose:
 - Our vision is to utilize our shared resources to protect and promote our shared core values of Beauty, Safety, and Inclusion.
 - Our purpose: to promote and foster a welcoming and inclusive community encouraging, through civic participation, our neighborhood shared core values of beauty, safety, and inclusion.
 - Build consensus on neighborhood priorities around our shared values
 - Fundraise to position our community to act on opportunities that support our shared values.
- Approval of meeting minutes from last year (May 2024). Chris
 - Motion to approve by Judy Stallard, second by Jed Johnson.
 - Motion passed.
- Officers – New slate has been approved –
 - President - Emily Reid
 - Vice President - Matt Wilson
 - Treasurer- Penny Johnson
 - Introducing new Reporter Rebecca Hollenbach of 1400 block of 6th street.
- Community involvement – Volunteers needed!
 - Introduction of Luanne Maguire, President of Old Louisville Neighborhood Council
 - May 10th is the neighborhood clean up for Central Park, Council member will provide lunch for all volunteers
 - ZALU – Zoning and Land Use - Barry Kornstein has volunteered to come back
 - Monitor what happens in the neighborhood
 - Attended 610 Myrtle hearing this week for a short term rental. They will approve it and there have been no violations or other properties approved within 600 ft. The meeting was to see if there were any objections from the neighborhood. They also paid their dues to CPW.
 - Tracking transitional homes being applied for in the neighborhood - the concern is out of state/nonresponsive owners and oversaturation. If they apply and meet the standards (one within

1000ft), there is no hearing. A hearing only occurs when an exception/variance is requested because they don't meet the criteria. Have developed a standard letter from OLNC to request no exceptions to the rules. It is unclear how many exist, there may only be 10 operating legally. If you have concerns about a property, you can call 311 and look up properties on Accela. Inspectors respond within 5 days, and a property owner has 14 days to respond.

- Absentee landlords who don't maintain properties negatively affect the neighborhood.
 - Could we coordinate 311 calls with neighbors on specific properties? Or coordinate a letter to send to the owners from CPW?
- Meets the third Monday at 6:30pm at the Old Louisville Visitors Center. Members can join this committee to learn more or reach out to Luanne.
- NIC – Neighborhood Improvement Committee
 - This committee leadership has recently been revamped. Meets the third Thursday at 7pm at the Old Louisville Visitors Center.
- 2024 / 25 Budget Review
 - Reviewed this year's budget
 - Starting with \$18,517.34 in assets
 - Three fundraisers are planned for the year, requested input from neighbors on additional fundraisers
 - T-shirts sales were breakeven
 - Expenses
 - OLNC membership - this is only a fraction of the cost, will also donate
 - Licensing for special events
 - Morningstar storage space - rental is no cost, but pay for insurance
 - Taxes
 - Revenue
 - Last year had better revenue due to good fundraisers in the Park
 - So far this year \$606 dollars have come in from memberships
 - Motion to approve this year's budget.
 - Motion by Peggy Muller, second Phil Bevins.
 - Motion passed.
- Events
 - May 10th is the neighborhood clean up for Central Park, Council member will provide lunch for all volunteers
 - U of L Band Concert – April 19th at 6:30pm

- o Crashers concert – May 16th at 8pm
 - Peggy will drop off liquor license application downtown.
 - Will need volunteers to help clean up the concession stand beforehand since we're the first event of the season. Bring cleaning supplies. If you can help, please contact Penny Johnson.
 - Need support purchasing supplies from Costco (Emily will volunteer) the week before and picking up from storage unit before these concerts. If you can help, please contact Penny Johnson.
- o Picnic – June 7th at 1pm
- Shared Neighborhood concerns / suggestions
 - o Shared a map of existing projects
 - o Additional trash receptacles on each end of 6th
 - We will purchase and notify the city to have them install and service.
 - They have to be placed on the side of the street where receptacles/pick up already happens.
 - o Traffic calming <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/vision-zero-louisville>
 - Cabbage Patch - next step to talk to them to see what ideas they have
 - R. Chin Mirrors- we can buy and hang them ourselves
 - These types of mirrors have been really helpful elsewhere in the neighborhood
 - o Proposed idea for CPW banners to more clearly define and celebrate our community
 - Limerick applied for NDF funds to get their banners and received \$800
 - Reach out to JP, he may not have money until July 1.
 - o 1358 S 6th cast iron planter needs to be fixed (was hit)
 - o Longterm planning - what are our big goals to achieve?
 - Potentially to add 35 new lights, would be \$1500 each (we install - we hire someone to dig a trench and an electrician to install, and the homeowner signs an affidavit agreeing to it and paying for the monthly electric bill)
 - More brickwork?
 - Buying properties? Greenspace at Ormsby Court or behind Levering, lot on Myrtle
 - One resident requested fixing the sidewalks by Floral Terrace due to tree root damage - this is a 311 issue because the city owns sidewalk, this may also result in trees being cut down. Park Ave has lost three trees.
 - Could we also partner with Belgravia for projects closer to them? Consider partnerships with other neighborhood organizations to amplify our voice
 - o Capital projects must be voted on to add officially to the budget

- Motion to investigate the cost of fisheye mirrors on alleys on S 6th st the Justin Elliot second by Jed Johnson. Motion passes.
 - Motion to investigate the cost and locations to move forward on trash receptacles for S 6th. Motion by Peggy Muller, second by Lis Pennington. Motion passes.
 - Motion to research the banners. Motion by Peggy Muller, second by Phil Bevins.
 - All projects will be researched and reported back by email and website for final approval.
- General announcements:
 - Old Louisville Mobility Council is working with government stakeholders including Deputy Mayor Nicole George, Councilperson JP Lyninger, and other Public Works/DOT staff to discuss ways to move the Oak Street Streetscape plan forward. Here are the full details for the [upcoming Oak Street meetings](#). For anyone unable to attend these meetings, they can fill out the [Oak Street Alternatives form](#) to share ideas.
 - Discussed traffic calming to reduce heavy truck traffic to reduce on Oak and St. Catherine
 - Sidewalk improvements and pergola improvements will commence soon and be completed before St. James

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm