

Neighborhood Association Presidents **draft** Minutes for 1/18/2024

This meeting was via ZOOM only due to unsafe conditions.

Attendees: Kathie Halicki- WNA; CJ Koll- Hidden Springs; Pat Hogan- Bolton NA; Robert Jester- Barrington HeightsNA; Frank Carini- SONA; Kevin Bryck- Robinwood NA;

Guests: John Williams – City Manager

Bob McCarthy – CCI

Carol Bryck-City Council liaison

CJ brought the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

We each introduced ourselves. Motion to approve agenda , Robert 1st, Pat 2nd, approved unanimously with the addition of traffic discussion.

Motion to approve the minutes from Nov. 2023, Robert 1st, Pat 2nd, unanimously passed.

Bob McCarthy – CCI rep. The CCI is preparing the annual report. For 2024 citywide citizen engagement plan for all city departments. They will also be electing officers in February. Bob needs to be replaced since he is no longer Bolton President. It was decided that a president needs to be a member. Robert Jester volunteered to be CCI rep. Darren Wyss is the staff rep. CCI meets once a month for a couple of hours. CCI Mission Statement= required under state law to insure that citizens are involved in Goal 1 in all city projects. Collaboration is a necessity.

City Council- Carol Bryck, Carol updated us on what went on during City Council. They discussed the issue of the historic tugboat that someone would like to donate and the property in Bolton for sale.

NA Handbook- John Williams, will get back to us. Always use public meeting laws. Kathie brought up pages 4 & 5 about the quorum issue/ cancelling meeting if quorum not met. You should still be able to hold the meeting for land use and/or presentations. Minutes are still taken so members can still be informed.

NAP Training- make meeting comfortable for speakers/members. This training should be done annually (Feb. or March). We could record the training sessions with the city storing them so NAP can use them as a resource. These sessions will also include Land Use, City Communications, the City Manager, and the City attorney.

Public Works Projects/Park Improvements-

Does the NA want standing? Pros and cons B2002 &2003 and SB458.

Can the NA give power to President/Board to gain standing for the NA?

Representative of NAP to be made aware Land Use in current legislative sessions.

Create a culture of candor, collaboration, and respect.

NAP Model bylaws- John Williams, instructions/conditions on stipends would need to be amended by the City Council. A change in the municipal code would be needed to recognize NAP. We have not voted on this. During NAP 11/16 meeting CJ drafted code 2.150. What do we think?

What constitutes dormant? NA must meet once a year, have officers, have minutes, and produce the annual report to be considered active (please attend the NAP meetings).

We could use “Model/Standardized” bylaws then each NA could have an addendum.

Bolton NA- has an issue with traffic safety on Jolee (in particular). Our concerns are safer streets, lack of sidewalks, speeds, rolling stops, lack of ability to get out of Barrington Heights onto Salamo. Need to reduce speed in Robinwood commercial zone/HWY 43 to 25. Perhaps flashing beacons could be used in Hidden Springs.

Revenue enhancements and grants (New hire as of 1/1/2024) to do this. He/she started 1/1/2024, traffic grants may be possible/doable.

Pat will draft a motion for traffic safety and get the document to Carol Bryck.

Election of Officers – Kathie Halicki, Secretary

Robert Jester, VP

CJ Koll President (if he is re-elected president of Hidden Springs next month).

Each nomination was unanimously elected.

CJ adjourned the meeting at 8:56pm.

Our next meeting will be March 21 at 7:00 via zoom and in person at Robinwood Station.

Minutes submitted by, Kathie Halicki, NAP President

