

June 28, 2022 TGHNA monthly meeting: via Zoom

7:15 Welcome

Greeting and intro from Jennifer Florida, 2022 TGHNA President. Intro of other Board members.

SLMPD Neighborhood Liaison's report : Officer Walker: NA

15th Ward Alderperson Megan Green's report: NA & haven't heard from her

Neighborhood Improvement Specialist Katie Wolf: Still working on trash, and send your trash concerns to CSB. For potholes: put in requests. Katie and Alder Green have been driving around looking at paving. Bulk pick-up is about three weeks behind.

Question: none

Guest Speaker: Samantha Villaire: Recycling Program Specialist at Brightside:

Our mission is to teach and educate on how to recycle responsibly. Recycling and trash pick-ups are slowly working their way back to normal. We have stickers: they were grant-funded. We couldn't get a grant for Yard Waste.

Question: The City seems to be doing a bait and switch. Now we have recycling again but less trash pick-up. Is this true?

Answer: Recent holidays have thrown trash off schedule. Keep making requests.

Question: But we have been paying for recycling and for months didn't get anything. Will we be reimbursed?

Answer: Be patient. Do you know anyone who wants to drive a truck?

Question: Why not contract out?

Answer: That is a different conversation. Talk to the Mayor and your Alder.

Question: Is the County having these problems too?

Answer: I don't know, but they do have more money.

Question: What is being done about single-use styrofoam from restaurants?

Answer: Green Dining Alliance could answer this question.

Question: So you aren't addressing this?

Answer: No, the City can't control it, and our education is only for residents, not businesses.

Question: How do we keep dumpsters clean? Are we supposed to clean them?

Answer: No, you don't have to clean them.

Question: Any talk of composting service?

Answer: No.

Question: If one wrong thing goes into recycling, does it mess the entire process up?

Answer: That is why education is so important. Also we have a machine that can sort some of that out.

President's Report: Jennifer Florida: The Block Party is in planning stages. It will be on a Saturday in September. There is a clean-up in Tower Grove Park that is in the works.

Treasurer Report: Rick Stein: In May we spent \$433.48 on cameras from our camera initiative a few years ago. We donated \$275 to the Center for Divine Love as we do every year, to keep the potential for membership meeting space there if/when we resume in-person meetings, and we spent \$4.88 on PayPal commissions. We took in \$70 in membership fees, \$588 in Gazette ads, and \$5 from Amazon Smile donations (thank you to anyone who has listed us as their Amazon Smile charity!) Our net worth as of 5/31/22 was \$11,910.76.

Membership report: Jean Iezzi: There are 410 members.

Social Committee: Sharon Angle: We will have Heights Night again this month, on the 2nd Tuesday in July, the 12th. Time: 6-8 PM. The venue will be The Gelateria on S. Grand. They are under new ownership. They have both indoor seating and a beautiful outdoor patio. The date for the Block Party in September is TBD, as Jennifer mentioned. Stay tuned.

Block Captain report: Debra Knox Deierman: We are still looking for a Block Captain for 36-3700 Wyoming. We are getting Welcome Packets to new residents.

Communication Committee: Debra Knox Deierman: We have 763 on Mail Chimp email. Check your spam and junk if you are not receiving them.

Safety Committee Report: Erica Westbrooks: Please register your cameras! It could end up being very helpful. A camera in the alley by a problem property already helped identify a woman who broke into a back yard.

The Safety Committee meets every 3rd Monday of the month on Zoom. All are welcome!

Old Business: NA

New Business: Barbara Gilchrist: We are looking for people who would like to write for the Gazette. We also need new advertisers! We have lost some during the Pandemic, and our operating costs keep going up.

Upcoming dates: TGHNA Board meeting July 7 at 7 PM. The next Membership monthly meeting is July 25 at 7:15.

Adjourn: 7:52 PM

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