

**Shaw Neighborhood Improvement Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 18, 2023**

Welcome

- [Stephanie Herbers](#) called the meeting to order.

Approval of July Minutes

- July minutes were presented and approved.

President's Report

- Board Bill Number 60 - Update to Liquor Code - Stephanie has received comments from neighborhood members regarding missing information in the bill. She will include the feedback in the letter she will draft on behalf of SNIA to send to our Alderwoman.
- The President of Water Tower Park is looking for additional board members and other volunteers. Please let Stephanie know if you are interested in helping and she will pass along your name to the President.

Treasurer's Report

- The budget is going as planned and no concerns at this time.
- The Art Fair still needs volunteers on Saturday and Sunday, October 7-8 for the bank duties. Please let Melissa know if you are interested [treasurer@shawstlouis.org](mailto:treasurer@shawstlouis.org)

Officer Nominations

- SNIA is accepting nominations for 2024 officers. Open positions are 1st VP, 2nd VP, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. [Deeds Bonham](#) will be the President in 2024. Please let Stephanie or Deeds know if you are interested in one of the positions.

Cash Reserve Policy

- Policy was drafted to establish cash reserves for emergency funds or if the Art Fair is canceled. The total recommended to be in annual reserve is \$86,000 to cover revenue loss if the Art Fair was not held, cash needed to start the following year's Art Fair, administrative expenses, and emergency expenses. Please let Stephanie know if you have comments on the policy and it will be brought to the November Board for vote.

Roundtable Discussions

- There were 5 roundtable topics discussed in the August general meeting that people could choose to participate in and provide input on what to start, continue and stop. Feedback was consolidated and sent to the Board. Stephanie will finalize the document and send it to the general membership. The approach will be to focus on immediate or short-term projects and also to plan for longer-term projects.
  - New to Shaw
  - Green Spaces & Play Spaces
  - Building Community
  - Walking & Biking
  - Beautification

Announcements

- Volunteers are still needed for the Art Fair. Contact [shawartfair@shawstlouis.org](mailto:shawartfair@shawstlouis.org) if you are willing to volunteer.

- The next trash pick-up event will be Saturday, September 30. More details will follow.
- We are still looking for people to participate in Neighborhoods for Change. If you are interested, please let Melissa know [treasurer@shawstlouis.org](mailto:treasurer@shawstlouis.org)
- There have been additional carjacking events in the neighborhood. Please refer to additional information that will be included with the minutes.

Meeting Adjourned