



Board Meeting Agenda & Notes
Magee Rec Center
09-14-2023 @ 7pm

Attendees

Board: Gina, Ed, Cat, Luke, Scott, Dave, Isaac

Guests: Sean, Barb

Minutes

[Aug 10, 2023](#): Approved

Corrections:

- Scott will continue the convo w Barb
- Gina had an in person convo w Sean for funding from Frankel's office

Barb's Office

- Waiting to find out what's in the budget, but thinking that the GF traffic calming is in there
- DOMI said that in the meantime, we'll get 15 mph signs at GF Ave near Magee and a stop sign on GF on Kaercher
- Will follow up w DOMI about the 2 speed tables on Hazelwood Ave
- Also finding out about graffiti on GF Bridge - was covered up and re-graffied almost immediately
 - Is the city willing to put up a fence? Work with the property owner work with the city to find a solution?
 - Can the city keep repainting every time it gets tagged?
 - (Ed or Pat are going to put up a deer camera)
- David's request from Public Spaces:
 - GCA has been watering the garden at Irving and 2nd Ave w the hydrant for 25 years
 - Out of no where, we've been locked out. Is this going to be a new precedent?
 - We wish he had known that they were going to make this chance.
 - The Conservancy is looking into an alt solution there *if* the city is saying we can't use the hydrant

- David said Laura is looking into DPW to see if we can continue to use it next year. David to follow up w Barb directly if that's not resolved

Frankel's Office

No updates

General Business

Admin

- Website issue: the .org was down recently: Christa is handling it

Holiday Parade Fireworks

Update on fundraising requests: Looking for ~3,500 from big donors

- **Gina:** Corey, Dan, Jay, —> doesn't have anything definite yet, but is following up w Jay costa in a letter, meeting Corey next week for coffee
 - Sean says we can get \$500 from Dan Frankel
- **Scott:** to ask Greenfield Baseball, and Barb
- Will give it to the end of the month for the big donors, and then start asking the community for donations

Holiday Parade Organizing

Do we need to spin up a temp meeting/group for this?

- **ACTION ITEM:** Gina will apply for the permit
- **ACTION ITEM:** Cat to schedule mid-month zoom for this - we can see if the business committee wants to take this
- Need to start planning it, so start this month (Sept) on that next month - will need to reach out to businesses etc.
- Start thinking about adding things it - like food trucks at the school parking lot etc
- Will also need about 800 for the bands etc

Greenfield Awards Dinner

- GCA is staying out of it, but would like to in the future have to be a more open event
- When is that?
 - It's in Nov - need to get exact date
- What are we doing for that?
 - Jim Gregg said it's his last year for this event!
 - Joe Pegger is helping out
- Nominees for awards:
 - Natalie for the Glide

- David has a nomination, too, for gardening - Geneva
- How do we nominate people?
- **ACTION ITEM:** David and Catherine to be in touch to get the contact information / introduction to Marianne who does all the nominations / and get info about buying tickets - greenfieldawards@gmail.com

Trust for Public Land Greenfield Elementary Schoolyard Project (Christa)

Update? Are we going to do any promo for them?

Information Systems Consulting CMU Student Project (Christa)

Update? Did we get them in time to do a project?

National Night Out - Gina

Update? Able to send Mike Turk a thank you letter and post it on the website. Gina will also create a doc for the drive summarizing all of this so someone else can manage this in the future. Shooting for The Run next year as a location

ACTION ITEM: Gina Still needs to do that / and will also still need to send the thank you Mike

Committee Updates

Financial/ Treasurer (Ed)

- Balance: 14,822.95
- Earned: ~125 from the yard sale soda sales (TBD exact number)
- Expenses: 193.47 David for public spaces / , 155.31 Gina/NNO / 93.75 Yard Sale permit
- Kristi's name off the account now, account only has Ed's name on the account now, and Gina and Christa had cards send to them for digital access/withdrawal

Business (Kris)

- Yard sale mostly being organized by non board member, possible flea market type set up for apartment dwellers at Magee

Planning / Transpo / Development (Catherine & Isaac)

- Community survey update
 - Considering this first year as a soft launch, and was well received. Used the data for the capitalize budget
 - Next year, want to plan for a more formal attempt / run and use of the data
 - Our Neighborhood Planner - we now have a monthly sync with her

- Let's bring up the idea of the visioning doc to the committee, a much lighter weight plan than an actual neighborhood plan
 - Would be a great project to work w our committee over the winter
- [Park\(ing\) Day Sept 15 2023](#)
 - Yes!
 - In front of Alt Histories
 - At Histories + Greenhouse co-op doing ost of it
 - Help from Dan (Natalie husband) and promo from Bike PGH
 - Cat told Print, Junction Coalition, & on Bike PGH blog but no other media
 - Water, snacks?
- Traffic calming petition for GF Ave
 - GCA + PTO send signatures to Mayor + DOMI
 - Over 500 people signed.

Communications (Christa)

- **Standing REQUEST:** Consider having each committee write an update for The Homepage - more Greenfield content!
 - Maybe there is someone in the community that want to add to The Homepage
- Gcapgh.org domain was renewed for 3 years - [Receipt here](#) (Christa)
 - Issues with the dot com / dot org

Public Space (David)

Lots of events coming up

- Garbage Olympics - Sept 23 - next Sat
 - post it everywhere!
 - asking Bruce, former owner of Rialtos to do a 50/50% for lunch
 - **DECISION:** Will do pizza lunch and voted to pay for the entire thing if we can't get a discount from Rialto's (~200)
- Pull out Oct 7 Irvine pull out
- Pitt Civic Day and Ronald pull out Oct -21
- Also, there's a lot of pruning that needs done. Can David borrow 4 loppers for the Pitt Days → **Luke and Gina to loan loppers for this**
 - Met w Tree PGH to talk about watering and maintenance on the hillside above McCaslin
 - John, on McCaslin, became a garden steward for Tree PGH, and he's going to weed it. Tree PGH will still water. When John / Tree PGH has events, GCA can promo this
 - David's idea to do the Adopt-a-block / set up a map for us. Suggested looking at the OPDC website example / can steal some of their ideas. Another potential winter project. Could be the CMU kids of a simple projects like a Google Maps embedded

Public Safety (Gina)

- Firearm storage safety will give out trigger locks moved to November
 - Vicky to give a talk about how parents can talk to kids about playing with their friends that have guns in the home
- Oct: Fire safety and smoke detectors and giving out free smoke detectors
- Dec tbd
- Will have escalation training in Jan

Tabled Items

Pick up or delete each month as interest and time allow

Parklets on Murray Ave

- Interested in getting parklets where the Lamar billboards are (2 spots on Murray Ave) -- who owns this property?
 - **Kris** looked it up - **Cat** needs to follow up
 - TreeVitalize

Volunteer Thank You Event -- Maybe October - public space + Glide

- Tabled for unspecified future date

GCA Admin stuff

- List out expectations for new Board members, onboarding material
- Fix by laws
- Org Drive
- Operating budget?

Comms

- Circulate the tree planting request - link digital copy out to GCA social
 - <https://pittsburghpa.gov/dpw/planting-street-tree>