SHAW NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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General Meeting

June 5, 2023

AGENDA

City Updates

Lt Dan Zarrick, acting Captain of 2nd district (20 min)

-Crime for the last 28 days is 0 major crimes.

-Auto thefts and auto related crime are still prevalent

-People sitting alone in a car, texting as soon as you park have become targeted for auto crime. Assume that people are armed, and be careful.

-Police work force is trending downwards.

-Trying to automate a non-emergency number due to labor issues. Same phone number: (314) 231-1212

Michael Dauphin, Assessor’s Office Update (25 min)

-Only send mail when home’s assessed value increases. Reassessments occur every other year (on odd numbered years).

-Assessor’s office WANTS to get it right. Please appeal! Appeal process: appraiser from the office assigned to the neighborhood, will come and assist in taking pictures. Recent bids for work, photos, sales of comparable properties will assist. If you disagree with the decision, you can appeal to the Board of Equalizations, an independent board of citizens votes on the appeal. (you can begin an appeal at appeal@stlouis-mo.gov) Informal appeals May 1-June 23. All Board of Equalizations appeals are due the second Monday in July!

-Assessor’s office is hiring!

-Collector of Revenue will allow pre-payment of your taxes- no fees or application. RETAF program – Real Estate Tax Assistance Fund – can assist with paying your taxes if you qualify!

SNIA Business

Approval of Minutes (:01)

Approved

Community Presentations

Gary Hosna, Shaw NOM Safety Update (5 min)

Shaw NOM (Neighborhood Operational Model) is an additional organization to deal with safety in the neighborhood.

Crimes against people are down! Property crimes are up- especially catalytic converters.

June Digest provided at meeting, and incidents and contact information is available at ShawNOM.org

Robert Davis, Shaw Tool Library (5 min)

Shawtoollibrary.com

Free to use collection of tools, by your neighbors and for your neighbors.

A website to share tools, offer your tools, and search for things you may need for any projects!

No sign up needed, and your information is kept by Robert, who connects the borrower to the user upon request.

New Earth Farm, Community Composting (5 min(

Husband and wife run team, subscription service for composting. Aerated composting in Old North.

Receive a 60lb bag in return to return nutrients to the soil.

Drop off program available at

Isaiah 58 ministries (5 min)

Food pantry, back to school supplies and holiday store for families in need. At the corner of Flora and Grand in Compton Heights Christian Church. Accepts clothing and food donations.

Juneteenth event: 2nd annual event to celebrate our diversity, and support the efforts of Isaiah 58. Learn about Juneteenth history, free BBQ, enjoy music and entertainment, and crafts and activities for children.

Mobile Market: 1st Wednesday of every month. In partnership with St Louis Area Foodbank drops off perishable excess food.

Announcements

Dog Day at Tower Grove Church - June 17 9am-12pm, free dog washing stations, vaccination stations, treats and toys available for purchase

Alzheimer's Association Walk this Fall – will be at next two meetings.

St Louis Trash Pick-up June 24-25, June 24 at 830am, SNIA members will meet to pick up trash along S Grand.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

2023 Shaw Neighborhood Meetings: Aug 7, Oct 2, Dec 4

Historic Shaw Art Fair: Oct 7-8, 2023