

LaSalle Park Community Association Meeting

Wednesday, July 19, 2023

7:00pm to 8:15pm

Meeting Information

St. Louis Friends Meeting (Quakers)

1001 Park Ave, 63104

Topic	Lead(s)
Meeting Kick-Off Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Review of Agenda	Amanda
Cara will not be able to attend	Cara Spencer/absent
Neighborhood Improvement Update	Qiana Baxton
Employment Connection Update	Sal Martinez
Public Safety Update	Ofc Kevin Dilg
Conflict Resolution Center	Latoya Wilson
Announcements ● Committee updates-from each committee ● We have registered for Neighborhood Night Out ● Fire Hydrant on Mall-a ticket has been entered to city-we are going through all the hoops-we need to do it the correct way Zack to send her ticket number (Qiana) ● Tents on hill, ● MODOT-under overpass ● 1000 Morrison ● Association dues as in bylaws ● Fundraiser date and details ● Debs proposal for kickball and music ● What businesses will be invited to meetings	Amanda/Brent
Financial Update ● Current funds and expenditure	Andy/absent

Meeting Wrap Up ● Recap Next Steps/Agenda Topics for next month ● Concluding Remarks-Board will be going to 4 Hands after meeting tonight-please join us	Amanda
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Summary from last meeting

- 8th ward consortium meeting -boards from ward 8 all met together and are trying to work on issues that are common throughout the ward.
- We were given the land at the entryway on 9th and Park from Purina. Lot up keep-\$1400 year in mowing (approximately)-4hands may rent it from us and take care of.
- Purina-donation of neighborhood signs.
- 4 times a year bingo-fundraising
- Ben West and The Holmes' are in discussion with Paul Hoffman regarding the home falling apart at 1000 Morrison.
- Committees - Project and fundraising ideas will be presented from the committees to the board and then shared with the neighborhood at large.
- Facebook rules-please be kind.
- Ask committee members if their employers can donate for their time
- Hunter \$15/hr match through AB "Tap into Giving". We need to link the LSPCA bank account to one of the "matching" companies that they work with.
- Andy, Hunter, (who else in the neighborhood HAS A COMPANY THAT WILL MATCH?)
- Housing Authority is underfunded but cameras are going up this summer in Lasalle Park Villages they feed directly into crime center and license plate readers on streets entering into Lasalle Park Village Apartments

Questions for Qiana and Cara:

- What is going on with 7th and Broadway road conditions?
- Water main break on 10th?
- Fire Hydrant on mall?
- MODOT-tents under overpass?

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- Office Dilg cannot attend-Brent read his report (attached)
- Report PDF:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MULaclQdFsJIJzDCtl4KCVVOqkRb00Z5/view?usp=sharing>
- Manhole-Qiana working on-Jack approved
- Please call her for anything

- Promote her outreach-how can we do that?
- Neighborhood stabilization is her role

Marty-represents 5th city district Dem party

- Changing primaries for election next year-we are a caucus state for presidential elections
- He is running for 78th district state representative
- The seat can be open as long as a year-we need to fill it
- Reach out to government and say we want representation otherwise it will not be filled until August 2024-it should be on ballot in November

Sal

- New contract renewed
- Zero homicide
- They can hire a social worker and outreach specialist this year!
- 2 day in person job prep class-WOW
- Snow Cone event-July 29th
- Thanks for concert on the mall
- They do have a community event budget and are happy to help
- Went over what his group does
 - Work to connect people with job placement, emergency housing assistance,
 - Behavioral health counseling
- Can help with housing-homeless people for people that are homeless and REALLY want to be in housing. In general start with:
 - 1. Refer to St. Patrick's center 1st or United Way, but can also call Sal
- They are trying to become real estate developers-MO housing development in November
- National Night out? A great event to help. It is October 3, 2023
- Can we create a resources available list? Like Start Here
- Qiana will look for existing info
- Sal will follow up with Deb

The burm-2 properties

Purina does still own the property-we got a response and we are working on it (per Officer Dig).
The encampment on the hill will be evacuated by July 26, 2023

Can we request a clean for the hill area?-yes a ticket has been put in for a proper clean-up-the city will clean up and

- Are we purchasing? No, we were granted the land and no taxes

- o Liability? Brent referred to Ben-we have insurance
- o 990 will have to be filed
- o Expense for maintaining that property-Perhaps a sponsor or a business. It is being researched.
- o Can we fence off the property to prevent foot traffic? Dog Park? Can we try to defer people from going to downtown that way? Less foot traffic
- o Ticketing online-used to have to call it in. CALL Qiana first

Consider what to do with Purina land if we all brought it to a vote-we will discuss at next meeting

Latoya

- o Free mediation services for all STL residents
- o No violence-so with no violence but can be Airbnb
- o Confidential, neutral 3rd party
- o Peer led for kids
- o Police citizens-
- o Employees/Employer
- o Neighbor/Neighbor
- o Just scan it and we do the leg work
- o They are funded out of the Ferguson riots
- o Eviction is what they mainly do
- o Conflict coaching

Ben West-

- o 1000 Morrison-Ben has been talking to Peter Hoffman about potentially pursuing legal action against the owner
 - o It will proceed slowly
 - o A 2 year period
 - o Letter goes out first
 - o We can bring in a contractor
 - o If owner does not reply-the house can pass to the neighborhood association-we need to hear back on a lot of issues
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- o We will vote on the dues next month
 - o Voting?
 - o Why are we not using zoom?
 - Ben spoke:-costs, pragmatically we also need a lot of equipment to do it properly-
 - Can we talk about after minutes are sent out there can be a time frame to vote?

- Next agenda say we are voting on these items after the meeting.
 - Vote online
 - Voting? In subject line
 - We are trying to get more information out as much as possible

MISC

- o Deb spoke about her ideas-and how we fund it
- o We are looking for sponsors-we are not funding it
- o Sal does movie nights-can this be a community building event

- o Andy-our website is good through next year (why are we paying)

- o Neighborhood Night Out October 3

- o Can we get license plate readers for our neighborhood? Can we get costs?
 - o Housing authority ok for cameras
 - o No cameras on light posts per city
 - o We need fiber optic hook up to a network

- o Where is the skycop camera? Can we put it at our entrance?