

Ivy Hills Residents' Association

July 20, 2022

7:00 – 8:00 PM, EST (VIRTUAL)

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in attendance: Tom Kashin, Amber House, Emily Berger, Audra Boarman, Katie Sammon, Elizabeth Murphy

Past-president Greg McMullen also joined the meeting.

I. Approval of May 2022 Minutes

Katie Sammon moved to approve the May 2022 minutes, seconded by Tom Kashin. Motion approved.

II. Treasury Update

1. Budget Update –

Katie Sammon shared that 336 households have paid dues representing over 45% of the neighborhood.

2. Additional payment option information (Venmo) -

Many have paid by Venmo and many of those are first-time dues payers. Katie thanked Tom for updating the PayPal dues amounts on the website. The Venmo payment option was included in the most recent newsletter.

Katie shared that she is expecting baby number two so the board needs to fill her treasurer role ASAP (her due date is October 24th). She has been in the role for five years.

Amber has received some interest from and Katie will draft a list of job responsibilities to share with potential recruits. Katie's work-flow is seasonal and the job is easier when people pay online. More time is spent after newsletters and dues letters go out. She works on it once a month for 2-3 hours per month- averaging 20 hours per year.

III. Committee updates

1. Activities-Amber House & Julie Norris

a. Update on events

Amber shared that the garage sale is a week-and-a-half away. Amber set up the app for neighbors to list their sale. The app will be shared on social media channels. Amber will no longer be creating a map – the app will take care of that for those who input their info. She didn't have enough time to create the garage sale banners. Four banners (8 ft. x 2 ft)

would cost roughly \$340. We would be able to use them each year starting next year and place them at the Allisonville and 75th Street entrances using galvanized posts (Amber has the posts).

Katie Sammon moved to approve the signage purchase and Elizabeth Murphy seconded. Motion approved.

b. Annual Picnic

Amber shared that there are two food trucks booked (tacos and burgers) for the picnic. Amber is still trying to identify a dessert truck. Silly Safaris will return. We will not have a tent but we will rent tables and chairs. Tables and chairs can be dropped off a day in advance near the circle by the side entrance. Julie Norris is donating sidewalk chalk for an art contest or a kids' activity. Audra asked if the church was comfortable with us using sidewalk chalk on their newly repaved parking lot. Amber will check.

Emily asked if the board needed to sign up to work the table to collect dues. Normally it would be the treasurer and the board president (Tom).

Amber will work on the annual meeting as we get closer to November.

c. Crime watch

Ron Jordan was unable to join the meeting.

d. Hospitality

Audra asked if we are including Roland Park home sales in the hospitality bags? The rest of the board noted that we have not historically done that.

Audra shared that she has some extra crime watch stickers and notepads. Katie noted she has extra directories from those returned from vacant homes.

2. Social Media -No update.

3. Newsletters/Dues Letters

Elizabeth asked for feedback from the mailing that went out last week. Greg commented that the newsletter looked great. Elizabeth shared that the new printer (PIP Printing) was great, but it's about a three-week turnaround once the newsletter goes to them. PIP has asked if we want to open a line of credit to get a Net 30 payment option which gives us more time to pay. Katie shared that she's comfortable with it depending on what's required. We save 3% by paying prior to delivery. At this time we will likely continue paying upfront based on board conversation.

Elizabeth will be drafting another dues letter set to go out August 10th in

advance of the September 18th picnic.

4. Streets

Jack Stocks was unable to attend the meeting.

5. Website/Data

Tom Kashin will add the Venmo ID to the website.

6. BRAGG

Ron Jordan was unable to attend the meeting.

7. GACC

Elizabeth Murphy shared that funding was approved to repave Allisonville Road between 71st and 82nd. There are some defunct pipes that will need some work and will cause continued construction on Allisonville.

There has been a motion by City-County Councilor Dan Boots to put a roundabout at 79th & Dean. Elizabeth noted that the city would have to use eminent domain to gain the land on private property needed in order to build the roundabout.

Katie asked about the rumor to pave Kilmer. Elizabeth noted that she had never seen that promised in writing. Elizabeth will follow up. Emily noted that Brookview has some significant potholes. Elizabeth noted the city no longer paves tier 2 and 3 streets unless its part of a road funding project or the neighborhood agrees to provide matching funds. The best way to request potholes be filled is to open a ticket with the Mayor's Action Center. Elizabeth suggested lobbying our statehouse representatives and asking them to use the state budget surplus for road funding.

Emily asked about the home on Red Coach Drive that was being rented out to multiple tenants. Elizabeth felt they had been kicked out because the tenant was subleasing which was not allowable according to their lease. The house and property has been cleaned up.

8. Community Garden

Audra Boarman shared that they are trying to coordinate an August 28th tomato tasting event. Audra would like to talk to the church about expanding the garden in 2023.

IV. Old Business

1. ClearPath Updates

Amber did not have any updates but Tom shared an email from Dan Boots. Dan asked if there was an interest in lowering the speed limit to 25 based on

the increase in thru traffic in the neighborhood. Tom didn't think we could dot that but suggested we need more speed limit signage. The board agreed that signage was important. Tom will get in touch with Dan to discuss options to get more signage. Elizabeth noted that we could share the ClearPath Facebook and Instagram ClearPath handles to help people can stay on top of traffic updates.

Elizabeth has shared that she has had an open ticket with the Mayor's Action Center for over 6 months so we need to use our connection with Dan Boots to push for changes to signage.

2. Signage updates

Amber shared the final draft of the new welcome signage. The total will be for \$1,250 for 10 signs. We still need to identify where all of the signs will be placed.

Amber will reach out to the neighborhood contractors to see if they will install the signs for free.

Greg asked if there are any city regulations. Amber believed we had to be within 32 inches of the street to be within the easement, but she will confirm before the installation.

Tom Kashin moved to approve the signage. Motion seconded by Amber House. Motion approved.

V. New Business

1. Tom shared a few emails he has received. Jackie Kaiser has been managing our flower beds at 79th and Allisonville. She had to purchase some mole deterrent to help save one of the flower beds and will need reimbursed for that. Daren Aterberry trimmed some of the bushes by the sign. Tom suggested we recognize Daren and Jacki on the Facebook page.

State Senator Fady Qaddora requested to speak again at the November annual meeting. The board agreed he should be invited to return.

A candidate campaigning for office has requested time in front of the neighborhood. Greg shared that we have historically only included sitting elected officials at our meetings. Greg suggested inviting Carey Hamilton, our state representative to attend the November meeting along with Senator Qaddora.

Katie agreed that we should only have sitting elected officials.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Emily Berger, IHRA Secretary on 7.20.22 for formal approval at the upcoming September board meeting.



Signature

Important Dates

Meetings: Sep 21

Garage Sale July 30, Ivy Hills Picnic September 18, Annual Meeting Nov 16

Reminder of 2022 Dates:

Board Meetings: September 21

Ivy Hills Garage Sale: July 30, 2022

Ivy Hills Annual Picnic: September 18, 2022

Ivy Hills Annual Meeting: November 16, 2022,
location TBD

Letters / Newsletters: February (L); April (N); July (L); September (N)