

GLENBROOK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Quarterly Meeting, Wednesday, March 22, 2017, 7:30pm (rescheduled from 3/15)
Glenbrook Community Center

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Christie Fountain, GNA President, called the meeting to order at 7:30. 60 people attended.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Anita Kozminsky: 265 residential and 66 businesses

TREASURY REPORT: Not reported.

OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES:

- The January 18, 2017 meeting minutes were approved.
- Meet Up: April meetup will be announced via email; Summer date TBD at Lock City Brewery. Co-owner Michael Bushnell spoke on their progress.
- Becky Collins/Linnea McManus previewed the spring cleanup on May 13.
- MaryAnn Mara gave quick update re filling sidewalk planters on May 13.
- Historic Resources Inventory – Anne Goslin gave a brief update. Consultant, Rachel Carley and GNA hosted an open house for owners of the surveyed houses on January 29 at Union Memorial Church library.
- Anne Goslin also gave an update on GNA's annual tree-planting project. GNA members who would like a new tree should contact Anne at 203-969-0696.
- GNA's next City Carting tour of the recycling operation will be in April. Mike Ferro gave a brief description of the tour.
- GNA decals are available from Laurie Doig.
- Courtland/Taylor Reed/Maple Tree intersection: Cross walks/lights to be added.
- Village Commercial District (VCD): 504 Glenbrook brickwork has begun. Zoning Board's approval of 45 Church St application for zoning change from C-N to VCD was not appealed. Owner will convert commercial space to 30 apartments.
- Neighborhood Grants Program awarded GNA \$3,000 to replace damaged signs.
- GNA received \$115 from 5 donors in our first Fairfield County Giving Day.
- Emily Provonsha (Transportation Planner) spoke on bicycle-pedestrian plan. She also introduced the new trip tracking app that is part of data collection for the City's traffic signal synchronization project conducted by consultant Urban Engineers.
- GNA member Rob Beltran spoke on his Public Safety Academy certification.

COMING UP

- Research Drive/Glenbrook Rd (CT Route 106) crosswalk and pedestrian signal will be completed this spring. Traffic Engineer is waiting for CDOT review.
- Public hearing on City of Stamford FY2018 budget is on March 28. More detail on back of agenda handed out at the meeting.
- GNA board election will be at June 21st meeting. If interested in joining, contact Christie.

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- First time members, business members, and visitors stood and were welcomed.
- Attending elected officials State Senator Carlo Leone and City Board of Representatives member (D12) Jonathan Jacobson gave brief updates.
- Announcements: GNA member Christopher Ward spoke about his new play, “The Independents” to be performed at Curtain Call April 13-23 in a world premiere.

PROGRAM

Robin Stein (former Land Use Bureau Chief) spoke on the history of Glenbrook’s Village Commercial District (VCD). Linnea McManus spoke on the “hyperlocal” real estate market in Glenbrook and the asset of its walkability. A handout illustrated the boundaries of the original VCD (2009). This winter the Zoning Board added 45 Church Street (at the corner of Parker Ave).

NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

The guest speaker will be Jim Travers, Stamford’s new Transportation, Traffic, and Parking Bureau Chief, The emphasis will be Glenbrook’s walkability.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 and all were invited to stay to talk and to enjoy refreshments donated by Grade A.

Submitted by Becky Collins, Recording Secretary, April 9, 2017