

GLENBROOK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting, Wednesday, SEPT 27, 2017, 7:30pm

Glenbrook Community Center

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Christie Fountain, GNA President, called the meeting to order at 7:30. It was an extremely warm evening in the gym, with 76 people in attendance.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Anita Kozminsky: 187 residential and 49 business members

TREASURY REPORT: Meryl McDaniel: \$3,663 balance. Of the \$7,000 expected in membership dues and contributions in FY2018, \$4,300 has been collected to date.

OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES SINCE MARCH 22, 2017 MEETING:

- The June 21, 2017 meeting minutes were approved.
- Meet Up: Thursday, Sept 28th is the next meet up at Lock City Brewing, which opened over the summer at 54 Research Drive.
- Becky Collins announced the upcoming fall clean up on Saturday, October 14. MaryAnn Mara said planters will also be done on the same date – summer flowers out, Fall mums in.
- Historic Resources Inventory: Rachel Carley, the project consultant, gave an illustrated public presentation on Sept 14th at Grace Free Evangelical Church. The report is available online. Details on back of agenda (attached).
- City Carting tour: Sign up sheet was available for next TBA tour later this fall.
- GNA decals are available from Zdenka Zeman.
- *Neighborhood News*, the 2017 edition, arrived in mailboxes in early September. The “Civics 101” workshop mentioned has been postponed until early 2018.
- The new neighborhood reporter for The Advocate is Travis Clark.
- GNA lawn signs: Acme Sign Co donated new lawn signs to replace the 3 that disappeared after the June 21 meeting. Unfortunately, as of this meeting, the lawn sign at Hope Street Park is already missing. These are the signs we display in four locations to publicize our quarterly meetings

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- First time members, business members and visitors stood and were welcomed.
- Announcements: Matt Quinones, CEO of the Stamford Public Education Foundation, described their nonprofit organization and appealed for volunteers. Ivonne Cruz announced this year’s Trunk or Treat event for Saturday, Oct 21, from 4-6pm. Flyers were available. Viktoria Cooper and Fermin Vidal, Stamford Board of Realtors, spoke on their volunteer program to assist organizations such as GNA. They will provide volunteers for the cleanup.

PROGRAM

Candidates for the November 7th election (see handout, attached) were allowed one minute to introduce themselves. Speaking were: David Martin, John Zito, Lyda Ruijter, Donna Loglisci, Richard Freedman, Sal Gabriele, Betsy Allyn, Alfonso Sgritta, Monica Di Costanzo, Lindsey Miller, Michael Guadiano, Jonathan Jacobson, Marion McGarry, Benjamin Lee, Tom Pendell, Frank Cerasoli, Joseph Coppola and Mary Fedeli.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30. Many stayed for refreshments (donated by Grade A) and conversation with the

candidates, guests, and one another. Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 17, 2018, with guest speaker James Travers, City of Stamford's Bureau Chief for Transportation, Traffic, and Parking.

Submitted by Becky Collins, Recording Secretary, October 5, 2017

ATTACHMENTS FOLLOW:

Information on side 2 of meeting agenda

List of Business Members

SIDE TWO OF THE MEETING AGENDA:

More information:

The new Glenbrook history written by our project consultant Rachel Carley is available on the website "Stamford Historic Structures."

1. Go to stamfordhistoricstructures.com,
2. click on the "Links to reports" box,
3. scroll down to Glenbrook Historic Resource Inventory. The survey forms for the individual streets and houses will be added to the website soon.

Opportunities for GNA volunteers: who would like to decorate a trunk for Trunk or Treat? to work with MaryAnn to help water our planters and trees? to organize GNA's participation in Fairfield County Giving Day, to take place in March 2018?

Updates in the neighborhood:

Alina Labozza is back as manager at our Grade A after four years at Newfield location. She will work with GNA to improve the system for reporting and collecting stray grocery carts.

The vacant lot near the top of Colonial Road (opposite Mayflower Ave) is being developed for townhouses.

The City has a new ordinance that prohibits on-street parking for longer than 120 hours (five consecutive days).

Village Commercial District:

Crescent Cleaners moved across the street to #48.

The AfterFX building at 20 Crescent Street has been sold.

The owner of 3D Service at 527 Glenbrook Road is looking for a new auto repair tenant.

LIST OF BUSINESS MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING AS OF 9/27/17 (* = NEW IN FY2017-18)

A&P Citgo Service

APC (Advanced Procurement Center)

*Associated Water Industries

*Atlas Metals

Carmody Torrence Sandak & Hennessey

Clambake Connection

Controlled Temperatures

Crescent Cleaners
Dom's Service
Don Hamerman Photographs
Donut Delight
Duke's Premier Market and Take-out Restaurant
Ernie's Lawn Cutting Service
First County Bank
Food Bank of Lower Fairfield County
Gerald Pierni, Realtor
Glendale Commerce Park Condominium
Glen Haven Condo Association
Grace Evangelical Free Church
Grand Prix Service Auto Repair
Hamerman Photographs
Happy House
Helen's Luncheonette
Homeguard Environmental
Homework Helper
Hope Pizza Restaurant
Hot Tin Roof Hair
Italian Deli
IT Labs in Motion
Jeffrey Cahn, Family Dentist
Julia A. Stark Elementary School PFO
Linnea McManus, Realtor
Little Monkey Cafe
*Lock City Brewing
Mark's Auto
Mr. Maguina Barber Shop
Nick's Pizza/ Bacco Pub
Pearl East Restaurant
P. Rogers Floral Design

Real Deal Estate

Reliable Oil

St. Maurice Church

Stained Glass Apple

Surwilo Contracting Co.

Tagliare Salon

Tawa Indian Cuisine

Timber Ridge Associates

Trips' Restaurant

Union Lodge No. 5 A.F and A.M.

Union Memorial Church

Verizon Wireless Hope Street

Welte Electronic Systems