

GLENBROOK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Quarterly Meeting, Wednesday, Sept 16, 2015, 7:30pm
Glenbrook Community Center

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Christie Fountain, GNA President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

MEMBERSHIP

Anita Kozminsky reported 173 residential and 39 business members at this point.

TREASURY

Meryl McDaniel reported \$6,649 in the bank with all bills paid.

UPDATES/REVIEW OF OLD BUSINESS

Minutes of the June 17 Annual Meeting were approved.

The GNA website and Facebook page were mentioned; it was announced that the police arrested a major graffiti offender over the summer; look for the annual *Neighborhood News* which arrived in 06906 mailboxes on Sept 12th; new construction in the Village Commercial District (VCD) – 467 Glenbrook Road is open for tenants; Monster B's owner, Joe Crisculo, continues to talk to potential restaurant tenants; Historic Resources Inventory survey forms were completed by GNA volunteers over the summer; next phase will be to hire the consultant – interviews will be conducted on September 19; Updates on the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) study are on the back of the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS/COMING UP

Fall Cleanup & Swap: Saturday Oct 17th at the train station from 9:00 – Noon. City Carting will again donate the dumpster and shredders.

Fall Plantings: Mums will be placed in the sidewalk planters by MaryAnn Mara and volunteers.

Tree Project: Five trees to be planted this fall.

GNA's email system: Switched to Constant Contact this month

City Carting: Mickey Ferro no longer owns City Carting. New GNA contact is Tony Ferena. Status of the tour of the recycling operation in November TBA.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS

504 Glenbrook Rd: Joe G Nursery property; Zoning Board public hearing on 9/21/2015 starting at 7:00 pm.

Courtland Ave/Taylor Reed Pl/Maple Tree Ave intersection improvements: public information meeting 7 pm 10/7/2015 at Government Center

Village Commercial District expansion: Planning board approved it Sept 1st and passed it along to the Zoning Board. Their public hearing will be announced later this winter.

Bridge projects on East Main: CDOT's information meeting Sept 14th regarding replacement of bridge over I-95 at Exit 9 and rehabilitation of bridge on Route 1 over Noroton River. The I-95 bridge will be built on site and should only involve

one weekend closure to put the bridge in place. Stay tuned! Jay Fountain had a site map and answered questions after the meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

First time members and visitors were recognized, along with business members. **Elected officials and candidates** for the November elections introduced themselves.

Other announcements:

Joe Gonzalez spoke of the November 1st chili cook-off to benefit the Food Bank of Lower Fairfield County; **Hands for Life** training will take place on September 26th at Westhill High School.

Joe Claps, Assistant Principal Stark School highlighted what is going on at the school. For the first time in a long time the 5th grade class will spend 2 nights at Nature's Classroom.

PROGRAM

Frank Fedeli, Supervisor Citizens Service Center gave a presentation on the department. If you have an issue the **best contact number to use is 203-977-4140**. If you get voicemail, please leave a message with your name, phone number and location of the issue. Please speak clearly! You will be called back. The City of Stamford website has been improved and you may now get permits online. If you use the website, please get back to Frank Fedeli and let him know your experience. If you have a complicated issue, call Frank directly at **203-977-5858**.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm. Many people stayed to enjoy conversations and the refreshments donated by Grade A.

Becky Collins
GNA Recording Secretary