

CLEVELAND PARK CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
Meeting of Board of Directors
April 16, 2013

Decisions Taken:

- 1) Minutes of 3/18/13 board meeting were approved.
- 2) In the absence of Rachel Cox, Recording Secretary, Christopher Fioravante will record the minutes of the April 16 Meeting of Board of the Directors and Ann Hamilton will record the minutes of the April 18 Membership Meeting.
- 3) Ana Evans will post a notice on the Cleveland Park Listserv about the April 18 Membership Meeting.
- 4) Susie Taylor will research how to advertise for the May Membership Meeting on local blogs and forums.
- 5) Susie Taylor will obtain an update on the firehouse renovation.
- 6) Christopher Fioravante will contact neighboring citizens associations to inquire about their membership and community outreach methods and successes.
- 7) John Korbel will update the year-to-date budget to reflect PayPal membership dues and donations.
- 8) The Board will finalize the language of the proposed parking resolution and vote on whether to move forward with the resolution and present it to the Membership at the April Membership Meeting and for a vote at the May Membership Meeting.
- 9) Jeff Davis will post on the Cleveland Park Listserv seeking volunteers for Cleveland Park Day 2013.
- 10) The place, date, and time of the May board meeting will be determined by the Board via email.

The Board of Directors of the Cleveland Park Citizens Association (CPCA) met at the home of Susie Taylor, with the meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2013. Present were: Susie Taylor, President; Ann Hamilton, 1st Vice President; Ruth Caplan, 2nd Vice President; John Korbel, Treasurer; Ana Evans, Corresponding Secretary; and Jeff Davis, Christopher Fioravante, Clark Madigan, Mark Rosenman, and Margaret Siegel, At-Large members. Rachel Cox did not attend.

Minutes: The minutes of the board meeting of March 18, 2013, were approved as submitted. Christopher volunteered to record the minutes of the April 16 Meeting of Board of Directors and Ann volunteered to record the minutes of the April 18 Membership Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

April Membership Meeting: Political commentator Mark Plotkin will serve as the moderator for the April Membership Meeting's At-Large candidate forum on April 18.

May Membership Meeting: Ruth reported that the May Membership Meeting scheduled for May 16 will feature a panel that will investigate solid waste solutions for the city, including a proposal for an incinerator, as well as zero-waste solutions. Ruth is confirming several

interesting and well-informed panelists for the meeting, including a deputy administrator from the city's Department of Public Works and Councilmember Mary Cheh.

Outreach: Susie reported that she is continuing her work to update the CPCA's brochure and is in the process of obtaining new photography for the brochure that accurately represents the Cleveland Park neighborhood. Christopher reported that he is drafting a letter to neighboring citizens associations to inquire about their membership and community outreach methods and successes. Christopher will report to the Board on the responses he receives at a later date. Christopher also reported that in March the CPCA's website had 861 unique pageviews. After the home page, the top five most popular pages according to pageviews were: CPCA Services, Cleveland Park Village, Firehouse Renovation, as well as two calendar posts, indicating that the calendar module is an important element of the CPCA's website. Susie stated that she would obtain an update on the firehouse renovation to the update the website.

ADMINISTRATIVE

501c3 Update: John reported that he continues to work with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to resolve the CPCA's 501c3 status. The case is now with an IRS analyst for review and final adjudication should be forthcoming in the next few weeks. John also briefed the Board on the status of the CPCA's year-to-date budget. John noted that the CPCA's budget is positive for the year and that he will check the CPCA's PayPal account for membership dues and donations.

NOMINATIONS

Committee and Board Candidates: Susie reported that in her April Letter from the President, she announced that Pamela Korbel will serve as Chair of the Nominations Committee responsible for finding new Board candidates for 2013-2014. The Board discussed possible Nominations Committee members, as well as possible Board candidates that the Committee may be interested in speaking with regarding their service on the Board.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Connecticut Avenue Coalition – Streetscape Project Status: Susie reported that the Connecticut Avenue Coalition Committee (CCC) met last week with a representative of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to discuss the upcoming comprehensive streetscape study. The CCC's meeting featured a presentation of the project before representatives of various neighborhood organizations and a lively question and answer session followed which highlighted the need for the city to perform an economic impact statement in conjunction with the comprehensive streetscape study, as well as the need for DDOT to acknowledge the neighborhood's current aesthetics and historical designation when performing the study. DDOT was to present the plan before the ANC earlier in the week; however, despite the ANC's invitation to DDOT, a representative did not appear.

Ageing in Place: Susie reported that the ANC has approved a sublease of their Broadmoor office to the Cleveland Park Village and that the Village's services will begin on May 1.

Regulatory & Safety

Alero Agreement: Mark reported that the Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) has scheduled a hearing on Alero's application for an "Entertainment Endorsement." He reported that the owners of Medium Rare have protested the application. Mark further reported that the CPCA did not have standing in the proceedings because the CPCA did not protest Alero's application. A citizen or citizens groups only has standing ABRA's proceedings if they file a protest.

Zoning Rewrite Update: Susie reported that the Office of Planning (OP) is preparing to post the text of the zoning rewrite to their website. Susie reported that she and a representative from the Cleveland Park Historical Society (CPHS) corresponded with OP regarding the organizations' concerns with the rewrite's treatment of parking and overlays. OP responded that there would be no change to the treatment or effectiveness of overlays in the rewrite.

Parking Resolution: To address proposals stemming from OP's zoning rewrite regarding parking, several organizations in the city have drafted and issued resolutions on the proposed parking regulations. Susie circulated the resolution issued by the Ward 3 Dems and suggested that the CPCA may wish to draft and issue its own resolution. Ruth submitted her draft resolution, whereupon the Board engaged in a lively debate about the merits of a resolution, as well as specific text. The Board agreed that it would finalize the language of its resolution and vote on whether to move forward with the resolution and present it to the Membership at the April Membership Meeting and for a vote at the May Membership Meeting.

CLEVELAND PARK DAY

New Leadership: Susie and Jeff jointly presented on identifying leadership for Cleveland Park Day 2013. A brief discussion was held on the importance of Cleveland Park Day to the neighborhood, as well as ways to improve the event and have the event's scope comport with the neighborhood's objectives. Jeff will post on the Cleveland Park Listserv seeking leaders and volunteers for Cleveland Park Day 2013 and will report to the Board on the responses he receives at a later date.

Next meeting: The place, date, and time of the May board meeting will be determined by the Board via email.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Christopher Fioravante
At-Large Member