## CLEVELAND PARK CITIZENS ASSOCIATION Minutes Page of Directors Meeting, Nevember 7, 2017

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Attending: Ruth Caplan, Phil Eagleburger, Ann Hamilton, Alice Kelley, John Korbel, Margaret Lenzner, Susie Taylor, Jennifer Ward, Barr Weiner.

Absent: Elizabeth Ferenczi, Mark Rosenman.

Ruth Caplan called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. She reviewed the agenda and appointed John Korbel timekeeper.

Minutes of the October 3 Board meeting were approved.

Housekeeping matters were discussed. Representatives were identified: Ruth Caplan, Ann Hamilton and Susie Taylor for the NCS Athletic Center Committee; Ruth Caplan and George Idelson for the Federation of Citizens Associations; and Alice Kelley for the Federation of Civic Associations.

## **New Developments.**

- Susie Taylor described an alert she just received from the consortium of Citizens and Civic Associations, who previously organized over alcoholic licensing issues, re: Councilmember Brandon Todd's bill 22-0508 to establish the DC Office and Commission of Nightlife. She said that bill doesn't include a citizen representative and no opportunity for citizen testimony on the legislation. Susie and Mark Rosenman will monitor this.
- Susie reported on Federal Realty's plans to lease the Petco space in Sam's Park & Shop to **Target**. Referencing a citizen's posting on the CP listserv alleging that Target's lease will limit neighborhood-serving local businesses in the complex, Susie contacted Federal Realty's community liaison, Dan Corwin, She read Corwin's response [posted to the listserv at 4:58 pm on Nov. 7], saying "we strive to support the continued success of current tenants as much as possible", with his email address: <a href="mailto:dcorwin@federalrealty.com">dcorwin@federalrealty.com</a>.

**Treasurer's Report.** Barr Weiner said we have about \$32,000 in cash, with about \$4000 in revenue from memberships since September 1. He reported that CPCA's liability insurance costs \$500 per year; he will review officers' insurance and report on that at the next meeting.

**Consultant Job Description** was discussed briefly, with reference to Elizabeth Ferenczi's memo and follow-up suggestions from others. It was agreed that John Korbel will organize a conference call to focus on this.

**Membership/Outreach.** Ruth said that email was sent today to non-renewers, along with announcement of the November 14 Membership/Community meeting.

**Welcome Package.** Discussion focused on Mark Rosenman's emailed description of plans for a welcome package for new CP residents that would include brochures from neighborhood organizations and promotional material for CP businesses. Margaret and Alice will finalize draft of a new CPCA membership brochure that highlights civic engagement and can be adjusted to feature the new library as the venue for meetings.

Cleveland Park T-Shirts. After discussion referencing Mark's emails about plans for Cleveland Park T-shirts, a motion was approved for CPCA to purchase 50 T-shirts at \$10 apiece. Phil Eagleburger agreed to take responsibility for this commitment. Some worried about quality and some said that a logo tote bag would be more desirable than a T-shirt.

**Hearst Park**. Alice Kelley reviewed CPCA's issues with DC plan for an outdoor swimming pool at Hearst Recreation Center, including President Ruth Caplan's letter to the Mayor requesting environmental analysis and the response from DC Dept of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and Dept of General Services (DGS) that some consider inadequate. Alice said DPR/DGS promised monthly community meetings, but none happened in October. As CPCA's representative, Alice will attend ANC3F's upcoming meeting re: hydrologic studies.

**Ward 3 Shelter**. Ruth said construction is to begin this month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> District MPD parking garage designed to accommodate Ward 3's homeless family shelter on the police parking lot. Beginning Nov 13, many on-street parking spaces in the area will be reserved for police.

Membership/Community Meetings. The next community meeting, focusing on Connecticut Avenue improvements, will be at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, November 14 at Adas Israel, 2850 Quebec Street NW. Susie Taylor will lead, ANC commissioner Emma Hersh will report on street improvement and stormwater drainage, and Mark Rosenman will moderate Q&A. Margaret and Phil will coordinate posting meeting announcements. Susie Taylor will set up a CPCA table at the Saturday Farmers' Market and invites others to join her. No one volunteered to organize a holiday meeting in December. Ruth suggested a membership meeting focused on a public bank for DC. Alice suggested a meeting about "green" infrastructure and rain gardens.

The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, December 5.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret Lenzner, Recording Secretary