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WPA General Monthly Meeting Minutes

Location: 155 North St, Jersey City, NJ 07307

Date: Monday, May 06, 2019

Time: 7:30pm- 9:00pm

Board of Trustees Attending

Y / N Attending = *

Mory Thomas – President *

Nick Lawrence Treasurer -

Nick Caballero Secretary *

Andrea Brachfeld Trustee -

Tim Brown – Trustee *

Hector Fermin – Trustee -

Starr James – Trustee -

Jay McVey – Trustee *

Yolanda Miranda Trustee -

Katherine Parker Trustee *

Wendy Paul Trustee *

Vacant - Trustee -

Meeting called by: WPA Board of Trustees / Bring Sitting Fee

Type of Meeting: General Monthly Meeting

Facilitator: Mory Thomas

Minute Taker: Nick Caballero

Timekeeper: Nick Caballero

Attendees: WPA Board of Trustees (See sign-in sheet/ Mailing List) JC Capt. Joseph Santiago, Nick Caballero, Mory Thomas, Jay McVey, Deputy Chief Edgar Martinez, JCPD Christopher Vasquez, Katherine Parker, Jennifer

Lozado and Joe Horovitz

7:30PM - Welcome

- Call to order – 7:37PM
- Welcome visitors and general membership **Please sign in**
- Reading of WPA mission statement and rules of conduct
Present Trustee to read
- Trustee Roll Call
- Ratify Minutes – The minutes from the WPA General Monthly Meeting Minutes held on Monday, March 11, 2019 were uploaded to the WPA website prior to the April 1, 2019 meeting there were no omissions or changes needed at that time, are there any now? If not, they are now ratified. The minutes for the April 1, 2019 general Monthly Meeting were uploaded to the WPA website, but not in time for review by the WPA Board, They will be ratified at the June 3, 2019 General Monthly Meeting, if there are no omissions or changes needed.

7:35PM - Officer Reports

- President's Report – Mory Thomas – Planting lead, HC signage meetings, HC Lead on the Carnival in Washington Park

- Treasurer's Report – Nick Lawrence - For May 2019 Meeting

- WPA General Fund Update
 - Beginning - \$7570.64
 - Ending - \$5,344.08
- Expenses
 - Storage - \$170.00 (Should be last payment for storage!)
 - Spring Planting - \$1285.36
 - Little League Opening Day - \$450
 - Hudson County Chamber of Commerce Dues - \$382.50
 - Parks Coalition Dues - \$120
 - Insurance Payment - \$1,039
- Receivables \$840
 - Trustee Dues for 2018 – 0
 - 2019 – Mory Thomas \$120 and Yolanda Miranda \$120 = \$240
 - Donation and Sponsorships
 - Douglas Fleischer Esq. \$500
 - Joe Nachbaur, State Farm Ins. \$100

- Secretary's Report – Nick Caballero – HC Parks Dog Run meeting and planning, Voucher for WP Signage

7:45PM - Jersey City Heights Crime Statistics and Areas of concern to be addressed

- JCPD

33 total arrests

1 stabbing

486 Moving violations

42 City violations

- Resident's Response / Quality of Life

Old Business / Motion Tabled

7:59PM – WPA Logo and branding discussion / Mory Thomas TABLED

Motion Tabled – Motion to discuss and rebrand the WPA logo. Second Nick Lawrence

- Updates –

8:10PM - WPA Annual Sponsorship – Fundraising – Ant the lack there of - Open discussion.

8:20PM - Green Acres Update

- Voucher for 50% of Signage production has been created and signed by WPA and the County and forward to the Sign company for their signature in order to process payment.

8:38PM - Earth Mother For You Earth Day Planting on Saturday, April 27, 2018 8:30AM registration Planting 9AM to 3PM – Puerto Rican Day parade group, Girl Scouts, Union City Horticulture Club and Law Enforcement were in attendance. 70 in total

8:40PM – WPW – Open discussion / Options Budget / 2 county movies and 4 WPA movies/ 2 paid in advance from last year so only 2 movies need to be fundraised for. County paid movies are 7/10 and 8/7 – WPA 7/17, 7/24, 7/31 and 8/14 Rain dates 8/21 and 8/28

8:45PM - Dog Run

- Meeting will be scheduled in the next two weeks to begin planning and design conversations.

N/A - WPA Nomination Committee - As stated in the WPA Bylaws the WPA President shall appoint a nomination committee comprised of 2 WPA Trustees and 1 person from the general membership. There shall be 1 general membership alternate and 1 WPA trustee alternate.

- **2019 Nomination Committee Trustees Nick Lawrence, Nick Caballero and Kate Parker Alternate, General Membership Jennifer Lozada and Alternate Laura Santo**

WPA Bylaws ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

All powers of the WPA shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board, and the activities, property and affairs of WPA shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board. The Board may exercise all such powers and may delegate any and all such powers as it sees fit, subject to restrictions imposed by the Certificate of Incorporation, these Bylaws, the New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation Act and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Eligibility

Trustees shall be at least 18 years and residents of the County of Hudson, NJ. All trustees will be expected to enter into a statement of understanding with the WPA regarding their roles and responsibilities as trustees.

8:47PM Adjourned Jay McVey Second

WPA Mission Statement:

The objective of the Washington Park Association (WPA) is to work with the community to revitalize, maintain and protect Washington Park in Hudson County, New Jersey and promote its use through the development of programs and activities that enhance the quality of life of park users and local residents

WPA Code of Conduct:

In the interest of fostering community relations and assuring the on-going health of the "WPA", all meetings will maintain an atmosphere of courtesy and civil conduct. When there is a disagreement of any kind, people will address each other with respect. An individual's presence at a meeting indicates acceptance of this policy.
Anyone whose words or actions go against the policy may be required to leave a meeting