



WPA General Monthly Meeting Minutes 1.8.2018

Start time – 7:30pm

Attendees:

Erin Kumpf
Federico Nealon
Andrea Brachfeld
Nick Lawrence
Jay McVey
Mory Thomas
Nick Caballero

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President's Report

- Attendance: Brachfeld, Lawrence, Thomas, Paul, McVey, Nealon
- President's Report:
 - Andrea - Pat Stemato (sp?) - wants to give a Christmas tree to all of the parks
 - Nick C - Can be a part of the spring planting
 - Andrea - Thought it would be a good idea to have a lunch series on the city hall steps
 - WPA downtown to bring them uptown. Creative placemaking.
 - Could identify a community group to support
- Secretary's Report:
 - Minutes are ratified

7:49: Erin Acknowledged

JCPD Statistics:

Total Adult Arrests: 24
Guns Recovered: 0
Total Guns Recovered 2018:0
Shootings/Shots Fired: 0/0
Stabbings: 0
Moving Violations: 260

Parking Violations: 308
Curfew Violations: 0
City Ordinances: 14
Total Summonses: 582

7:55PM

CTown Presentation-

Architects:

Meredith Simpson

Lee Levine

Lee Levine: Early Dec tried to discuss meeting with both RNA and WPA

*Ctown was not popular project at the time

*Meeting with RNA Board members but didn't ave time to have private meeting with WPA board members

New CTOWN project:

1. 102ft through lot between Cambridge and Central
2/3rd side in NC and 1/3 in R1 (split block in split district)
2. Clients creating 2800 retail space where supermarket is (which is closer to 5800 sq feet now)
3. Drawing with sewer and gas
4. Proposed trees on sides
2nd story on top of sign is only storage
5.5 behind property line is facade in back side
deliveries and trash go there now

CURRENTLY::

Cambridge is 2 or 3 story buildings and one 5 story at the end verses Central s...

Two diff street scapes (Central verses Cambridge)

*What client is proposing:

10 parking spaces:

1 ada, 2 parallel spaces, and 7 normal

Units:

2 studios

13 1-bdrm

5 2-bdrm

3 trees on Cambridge

They will be applying for a variance (1 of several): for 12 ft curb cut

Questions:

Mory Thomas

What are the variances?

1. 20 parking required, they have 10 (in R1 you need one for one and they have 20 units)

In NC there is no density standard

2. Multi family for section in R1
3. 2 variances that overlap: 1 is lot coverage, 1 is lot coverage
4. 12 foot wide curb cut
(on through lot you are supposed to have a yard (not go lot to lot))

Andrea: pls explain NC verses R1

NC is commercial which means ground floor needs commercial space

R1 is residential, right now: 3 stories, 3 dwelling units,

KERN:

1. asked to address/understand exactly-windows on south side

*three windows present they will not seal

*set back 5'1 on either side (bc at 3.1 you can only have 15% window fenestration....at 5.1 you get more light)

*There are no windows lining up with the adjacent buildings' windows

NICK C: did they discuss setting back the retail space in the event the store would want to use sidewalk space

OWNER ANSWER: Trying to keep it as flexible as they can . Having awning to protect those (under,)possibly set back but want to be flexible

LEE: lets check side walk depth= answer=16 foot

(Awning/canopy needs to be 25% so would be about 4 foot or so over covered space)

KERN: concerned where retail garbage would be stored until its brought outside
And asks about keeping trash in cellar?

LEE: no objection to that with dried goods but there is if restaurant with liquids seeping

KERN: what about metal doors/hatch to bring trash up

LEE: will be checking if that is still allowed

8:45pm

Programming and Fundraising Events for Spring/Summer

Nick Programming: we have what is on our programming already: annual planting, Goldman's Day, summer maintenance

Andrea: stand alone concert series didn't work but maybe partnering with RNA would be the way to go.

Question: Is it comfortable to not do it in Washington Park?

Nick C: Our mission statement says our focus is in /around park

Nick L: whatever we do outside would need to bring people into th park

Andrea: is there a deadline when to submit programming? Wants to get it down by March

Nick: No. We did opening picnic area was late and we could use that area for programming since that is the most widely used section (mini amphitheater, Shakespeare?)

Andrea: Mardi Gras Fundraiser (Cork Screw??)
Proposed a Trustee meeting within two weeks
**In February Meeting talk to discuss rest

Federico: for gardening, start earlier like April

Erin:

Partner with: other groups like the Bikes with fluorescent that rides through the various districts during summer months

Nominating Committee - to be discussed February meeting

Potential trustees interested:

Introduced:

Tim Brown-Hudson Country Community College
Guidance Councillor

Yolanda : City Hall Residence Response Center

Emily : works for city (Health and Human Services)
Born and raised in JC

***We will set up interview with all of these people (Nick has contact info for all of them)

STORAGE UNIT:

Set up storage unit visit (Andrea was not able to find one bin of clipboards, chalk etc)

*Need to determine if we have everything in storage that is expected.

Website: Add sponsors from last year, update after
(George will help)

Newsletter (twice a month): ERIN will take care of

NICK C:

Green acres Update:

WASHINGTON Park and Lincoln Park project - submitted voucher # 6 \$38,710 and voucher #7 \$13,966. 35 to the county for payment to Sita Construction. Payment was made and confirmed with Sita. There is a spelling issue on one of the signs. Re our signs we hope to be in production by the end of this month. Our Map is still not complete. He has been in contact with Charlene BURKE who is pushing the county to complete the maps. We have submitted the history and photos to MKW. That is the remaining part of this project.

Legal regarding this project. Our attorneys are dealing with county legal to replicate our Mou with the new Green Acres numbers so the county can get reimbursed by Green Acres.

Other - I mailed the 990S and our tax return to NJ State Charities to renew our Charitable status. I receive the return receipt. We are in good standing.

*****A motion to do a Mardi Gars fundraiser on February 13 at the Corkscrew was put forth by Andrea Brachfeld and Second by Wendy Paul.

Votes -

Andrea Brachfeld - n/a

Nick Lawrence - No

Wendy Paul - No

Mory Thomas - No

Jay McVay - n/a

Erin Kumpf - No

Federico Nealon - No

George Fujioka - n/a

Motion denied with 5 no's and 3 n/a - No Mardi Gras Fundraiser to be held at the Corkscrew on February 13, 2018.