

WPA Special Trustee Meeting Minutes

1.25.16

Start Time – 7:25pm

Attendees:

Lisa Blando

Bob Boudreau

Terri Neuner

Wendy Paul -

Mory Thomas

Walter Rodriguez

Doug Korves

Jay McVey

Peter Basso

Fulop Meeting Agenda discussion

Discussed 5 pre -questions that Kern created

Bob will review questions and reword them.

Key - Ask questions then state facts as back up

7:36pm Terri Neuner Recognize Lisa Blando – Doug Korves

2nd Mory Thomas

Add a questions on:

Parking

Zoning

Transportation

Crime

Taxes

Education

Question #3 – Many items consolidated into one

Bob’s Intro – To discuss snow removal

Need to incorporate western slope in questioning.

Also, Central Ave question

Committee Discussions

IT/ Communication/ Website

Mory added as Admin

Per Jay, Effective organizations - 4 times per day posts on FB.

Please filter any items to this team to post on FB and Website

Fundraising / Grants

Have not met yet.

To meet and provide feedback soon.

Art/ Music Event

**Art Exhibit – March 11** – Curated show

7-10pm

Card/ Catalog created

Focus on Cinco Patas

**Works at Home Series**

**Momentum** – Would be the name of this particular event

Idea - Start of ongoing home series

Need van for transport of art

15 pieces

Per person entry – suggested donation

20% of sales - donation to WPA

Walter to display his art as well

What is the purpose?

Reasons to do an event like this:

Promote local artist

Fund raising

Community building threads

RAD involvement

Promote WPA

Drills home the need for a community Center!

**$800 budget**

Sponsors could be obtained

#WPAARTS

Monthly – Next proposed event June 11th

Farmers Market? No – We will not support this year.

Proposed Fundraiser event –

Performer - **John Hammond**

Fox and Crow - $75 – 41 people

**Date based on his availability**

Food included? Bronx Brewery – Donated Beer

**Ideas for Park Events**

Pumpkin Planting and carving

Food truck Friday/ Music

Health and Wellness Day

Bocci Ball Tournament

Scheduled:

**May 13 – GS Day – Would like to bump this up a week\*\***

Annual Planting in the Park

**Specifications:** Located in Washington Park No. 1, In the Learning Garden) at the intersection of Webster Ave and Paterson Plank Road. Proposed works includes (1) clean-up and preparation of existing garden beds, (2) add soil and plant a perennial plants in garden bed sites ***already created as a flower/plant beds*** ***in 2011***, and (3) continue storm-water mitigation and soil erosion efforts along the flower bed/chain-link fence running down to Paterson Plank Rd.

**Time: 8:30AM to 3:30PM**

**Means and Methods:** Goldman Sachs employees, as well as WPA volunteers, shall collaborate to clean up existing beds, weed, edge and prepare all garden sites in Park No. 1 (in the Learning Garden and Gazebo area). We will also plant varieties of low maintenance perennial plants in existing gardens.

1. **Saturday, May 21, 2016** **— 7th Annual Planting in the Park Program. \*\* Would like to bump this up 1 week\*\***

**Specifications:** Location: Washington Park #1 and #4. This event will focus on maintenance of all existing beds, previously planted in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015: (1) the “Tri-Park” near the intersection of Central Ave. and Paterson Plank Road (2) the permaculture learning garden in the Gazebo Area and (3) the beds in Park No. 4

**Means and Methods:** The WPA will provide garden tools, soil, mulch, and fertilizer to prepare our existing beds for spring. We will remove any dead plant material or weeds as well as remaining winter debris. We will use soil and mulch to reconstruct swales around plantings to combat water run-off.

**Other Information**: This will be the seventh year for this event.

**WPA Garden Club and Maintenance Program** – Potential help!

Per Walter R.

Scott Kotchman – Lives in Ridgewood

Scott would help and volunteer

Crew would help but need to be paid

Potential Community workshops

Variable days

Different ideas

**\*\*Need to set date to meet with Scott to assess the park and what’s needed**

This is part of the programming that NEEDS to be done.

Another teacher in JC who could assist with creating a curriculum with the kids to help – School in JC – Middle school kids

**WPA 7th Annual Washington Park LIVE — Arts and Music in The Park Program.** (Dates TBD).

**(We are scaling back the event to smaller more frequent events throughout the year so more of the Washington Park Community may enjoy Arts and Music in a public setting.)**

**Specifications:** TBD

**Farmers Market –**

Mayor Stack approached us and Marilyn Rivera – (North Bergen) –At this time, we do not have the bandwidth to support Farmers Markets as last year.

If anything, we will try to support one only in WP.

**MITP-** No Movies – Only option is in our park WP – Bandwidth – Part of the conversation. \*\* **Wendy** to reach out to Gerry

\*\*\*Wendy to reach out Michelle Richardson – “We want to be part of the conversation but will only have in WP and we cannot fully support”\*\*

**Green Acres –**

1912 Documents have been updated to

Major change since last $50K less than we thought

Match from county $300K and we thought $50K from UC

Not true

County $250K -$50K UC

If the bid ends up being $50 short, then “we should talk”

 Need at least 4 weeks

Updated to contact names

Partnership Agreement – Fixed typo

Correction – Delete Paragraph 19 ??

We accept the Escrow agreement as written.

Corrected Typos

**Motion to vote - Peter Basso to make best efforts to update sections 19 and 26.**

**All in favor - 8 Aye**!

**HC Chamber Of Commerce**

2017 WPA membership extended

We have access to the membership portal

Chamber website is available

Cross Website - Links to be provided

Post on their FB

\*\*Post our events on their site. Contact HCCofC

\*\*JCPC Membership \*\* Application to be completed by Jay\*\*

**Building/ Zoning / Development**

-52 Cambridge Meeting tonight.

Kern is speaking on our behalf.

**Visioning Retreat**

Re evaluate – Reassess the WPA

Going back to ground Zero

Visioning – “Foundations on Foundations”

Programmed Day

Mediator needed.

**April2nd Proposed date**

Agenda for Fulop Meeting Updates

\*\*Move up Food clothing line, add social media logo as for WPA RNA on agenda.

**Adjourned – Terri Neuner 10:02pm – 2nd Lisa Blando**

**\*\* Add Amazon Smile to website\*\***