

## SSNA Board Meeting Minutes 8/9/23 by Greg (edited)

Present: Zane, Cyndi, David, Linda, Greg, Tim, Jean, Smith, and Stan. The meeting began at 7:06 pm.

Notes from the Officers.

Cyndi announced that she would like to expedite the meeting because she has another engagement for the evening.

Linda had no report.

Greg: Shelby took minutes during July due to Greg's hospitalization following a heart procedure. The minutes were passed without exception. M-Jean. 2-(?) Approved.

Zane provided the treasurer's reports. The holdings of the SSNA amount to this: Chase checking account: \$46,487, less \$3,350 of the Jubilee Garden Account. Total Bank Accounts: \$43,147. Cash account: 0. Investment Accounts: \$52,190. Total assets: \$95,326. Zane also provided the list of deposits and withdrawals during the month for the period of 7/1/2023 to 7/31/2023.

Smith asked if the balance of the Accounts seemed high. (\$95,326) He asked if there was a way to reduce the balance through gifts or programs.

Zane suggested that SSNA could install banners on the light posts for decoration and identification. Other neighborhood associations have displayed these banners.

On behalf of the Volunteer Committee, Smith presented the need for a survey of members and non-members that solicits information that will give ideas of what they would like to see happen in SSNA. The survey will be advertised in the newsletter; it will be available for completion on the Website. Cyndi explained that she has used surveys in her work. Four questions should be asked. No more. The questionnaire will be designed by Smith and Victoria. There will be a QR code provided to insure anonymity for the respondents.

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Some on the Board gave suggestions that could be tried to invite new people to participate in SSNA. Greg suggested a block party to invite people to meet us. Tim reminded us that the SSNA picnic was originally held in Mag Park to invite people to the SSNA. (It has become a summer staple for the members of SSNA.) Stan and Zane recalled that SSNA hosted two "meet and greets," one at the Mag Bar and the other at the Louisville Brew Pub. Food was provided. Jean told of how she has knocked on doors to invite renters to participate in SSNA activities.

Stan: Welcoming Committee. The committee met Mark Barker, the chef at the Speed. He will open a restaurant on Ormsby Street (unit where the Barber Shop was.) The committee also met with Bobby Frier on Ormsby Street.

Greg: Book Club met at Linda's home Monday August 7. Eight persons were present. The book discussed was *A Gentleman in Moscow*. We will meet September 11 at the home of Ann Triplett (1349 South Fourth) to discuss *She* by H. Ryder Haggard.

Smith asked who selected the books to read. Answer: Greg, as convenor, selects the titles but **always asks** members for selections. Some people like some books, some people don't. Smith suggested reading a book about sidewalk repair or other titles that have to do with improving the neighborhood and increasing participation by non-members. Greg responded that the club invites all people and does not insist that people read the book before the meeting. (Diversity has never been an issue.)

Stan: Diners' Club. On Thursday August 3, the club met at the Vietnam Kitchen in the Iroquois Manor Shopping Center. Their next meal will be at Check's Cafe, 1101 E Burnett Avenue on September 7 at 6 pm.

David: SSNA Newsletter. Monday August 14 is the deadline for articles for the August newsletter. It will be distributed on August 18.

Zane: Police Advisory Report: Overall, crime is down in comparison to last month.

The National Night-Out held in Iroquois Park was a success. The Mayor and the Chief of Police were present.

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The Police Roving Roll Call for the Fourth Division police officers will be Tuesday August 15 at the parking lot of the old bank building (Fourth and Oak.) 7-8 pm. All neighbors are invited to meet and support our officers.

Trouble spots at Fourth and in Magnolia Park are being watched for drug activity.

The Homeless Service Depart estimates that there are approximately 85 homeless people between Old Louisville and downtown.

Councilman Jennifer Chappell reported that all Family Dollar Stores in the Louisville area are applying to sell alcohol in their stores. Contact the state ABC to let them know if anyone is against the sales.

A representative from Smoketown has joined the Advisory Board and is actively trying to bring residents and the police together.

Smith: Volunteer Committee. See above for Smith's report. Also, Smith suggested that the general membership meeting be moved from Sunday night to a night during the week.

Stan: Mum Sale September 23 at Caroline Martinson's house. Sales orders will be available to download. Payment may be made at the same time. The deadline to order will be September 17.

Zane: St James Court Parking Project. He recommends that the project be discontinued. The JCTC parking lot will not be available. Also, the project requires about 53 volunteers. He was not able to amass that number of volunteers last year.

Tim: Tree Committee Report. He and Jefferson Coulter found places where trees can be planted (other than the verge) with consent of the property owner. Cyndi said it is unfair for Tim to decide where trees will be planted. She said that a survey should be circulated to determine who wants a tree

Tim would like to request a scientific study about tree canopy in Louisville and specifically Old Louisville. Also, he would like a survey of Property Management Companies to ask if they want trees on their properties. Tim said that we have enough grant money to have a professional planting service.

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Jean suggested that we share our trees with the West End streets. Tim said that the West End has council people who can apply for grants. Also, our grant request requires that the trees be planted along Second Street.

Jean suggested planting trees in the alley behind Second Street homes, between Burnett and Magnolia.

Zane pointed out that the Grant Request will be due on Friday of this week.

Other fundraiser reports or new business. None.

Zane: OLNC: PIC Report: These were the items mentioned. The need for more tree watering. Two newly planted trees on College Court were destroyed by vandals. Herb survey dead trees in OL. There are 75, and they need to be removed. PIC will apply for another MSD grant for a fall tree planting. PIC will remove dead wisteria from the CP pergola in August or September.

The Ben Washer building renovation is progressing. 208 Woodbine has been renovated and is for sale. 212-214 Woodbine might be demolished. Other property updates were mentioned.

PIC has recommended to OLNC that College Court residential area could be considered an historic property as part of Landmarks protected areas.

The next PIC meeting will be on Thursday August 10. 6:00 pm at the OLVC building.

Smith asked if any of the PIC agenda will directly benefit SSNA. Zane said, in the past, it has. And, we have historically participated in PIC as a member organization of the OLNC.

Announcements:

OLNC PIC meeting Thursday, August 10, 6pm, OLVC

OLNC Executive Board Meeting Tuesday, August 22, 7 pm, OLVC.

SSNA General Meeting, Sunday August 27, at 5:00 pm at the Kling Center.

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SSNA Single Diners' Club, Thursday September 7 at 6:00 pm, Check's Cafe, 1101 Burnett Street.

SSNA Book Club, Monday September 11, 7-8:30 pm 1349 South Fourth Street.

SSNA Board Meeting: Wednesday September 13, 7:00-8:00, 1465 South Second Street.

Adjourned at 8:20 pm. Motion Jean. 2-Smith.

Greg Moore, Secretary