

General Meeting Minutes

Forest Park Southeast Neighborhood Association General Meeting

10/15/13

6:45-7:45 pm

Herbert Hoover Girls and Boys Club

I. September minutes approved

II. Board Nominations

- Carole Anne Von Eschen's statement of intent to run for re-election for **President** was read aloud in her absence
- Adam Kepka read statement of intent to run for **Vice President**
 - Qualifications: block captain of his block
 - Already runs Facebook page, attends board meetings
- Esther Walker running for re-election for **Treasurer**
 - Has collected dues, found "best financial options" for items such as new signs, has been treasurer since 2004, has lived in neighborhood for 10 years
 - Has participated in multiple committees, including dog park committee, previously on landlord association committee, has served on infrastructure committee, forest park forever, in the neighborhood, created statutes for new businesses coming in to the neighborhood
- Erica Irwin running for re-election for **Secretary**
- Thomas Charleville running for **Member at Large** for second term

III. Priorities Committee update

- Neighborhood survey to determine neighborhood priorities distributed during meeting, and will be administered door to door during blitz on Oct. 26, 1 pm
- Survey also available online on <http://www.forestparksoutheast.com/survey/>
- Complete survey to be entered into drawing for \$25 gift certificate
- Surveys gathered until Nov 19

IV. Safety and Security update

- August crime lower this year than in 2012
- 4500 Blocks having numerous garage break-ins at night
- Please mark belongings with invisible ink pen (available from Park Central Development), report suspicious activity every time, lock doors and windows, use motion detectors lights, please leave FRONT PORCH LIGHTS ON
- Free steering wheel locks from WUMCRC, free motion detector light fixtures
- Register bike thru <http://cwensi.com/crimetips/bicycle-safety/online-bicycle-registration/>
- Contact Gelinda Connell with questions

- Report crime to 855-TCF-COPS, but call 911 if witnessing current criminal activity
- Next block captain meeting 10/16/13, 6 pm, 4512 Manchester (PCD office)

V. Discussion of proposed Chouteau/Taylor hotel, Alderman Joe Roddy

- Hotel developers have applied for building permit
- Alderman Roddy is unsure if neighborhood approval is necessary, however he advised developers get input by sharing proposal at neighborhood association meeting in November. Neighborhood association has not been contacted yet.
- Will be an extended-stay hotel, 100 units
- Developers opposed to building on corner due to lead paint, potentially having fountain or dog park on corner
- Alderman Roddy concerns:
 - Increased restaurant usage, however hotel visitors may go towards CWE rather than the Grove
- Concern about hotel affecting property value raised by general member

VI. Treasurer Report

- 26 dues-paying members
- Treasury report presented (please see attached)

Announcements

- Joyia is attempting to buy church to turn in to parking lot
- Halloween Carnival, 4400 block of Gibson, Oct. 31, 6:30-8:00 pm, all neighborhood residents invited. Volunteers needed to work at games, distribute candy. Please email thegibson4400@gmail.com promptly if able to help out. Please see attached flier for more details
- Flower garden on Tower Grove and Gibson is in need of volunteers interested in working on/taking leadership of the garden. Please contact forestparksoutheast@gmail.com immediately if interested in this. The lot needs to be renewed by the middle of November, so act fast!

**COME ONE,
COME ALL**

**TO THE FIRST EVER
FOREST PARK SOUTHEAST**

**HALLOWEEN
CARNIVAL**

**THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 31ST
6:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.**

**HOSTED BY
THE FRIENDLY GHOSTS ON
THE GIBSON 4400 BLOCK**

FREE FOR KIDS UP TO AGE 13:

- * TRICK-OR-TREAT IN THE STREET
- * PLAY GAMES TO WIN CANDY & PRIZES

FREE FOR ADULTS:

- * ENJOY HOT COCOA
- * MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

**CONTACT
THE BLOCK CAPTAINS AT
THEGIBSON4400@GMAIL.COM
FOR MORE INFORMATION
OR TO DONATE TIME, TALENT,
CANDY, PRIZES, OR FUNDS
TO SUPPORT THIS
FREE,
GRASSROOTS EVENT.**

**THANKS FOR HELPING
US CREATE A
SAFER, BETTER
FOREST PARK
SOUTHEAST.**

**BE
THERE
OR
BEWARE!**