

2022-02-19 Arbor District Board Meeting Minutes

Jane Adams and D. Gorton's home, 606 W. Elm St., 3:00 p.m.

Present: Kyle Miller, Judy Ashby, Peg Falcone, Jane Adams, D. Gorton, Brian Swoboda, Chuck Litecky (by phone). Absent: Sara Buila. Attending: Pheral Lamb, Sandy Litecky (by phone)

Approve agenda: Brian moved, Peg seconded, Approve the agenda. Passed unanimously
Approval of Annual Meeting minutes: Brian moved, Peg seconded, Approve minutes of the annual meeting. Passed unanimously

Appointment to Board: D. moved to appoint Pheral Lamb to the board. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: There is \$1,449.35 in the bank. Peg and Judy are signers. The account is in the name of the West Central Carbondale Neighborhood Association. Jane will check on the Secretary of State offices to see if WCCNA is still registered and either change or re-register as the Arbor District Neighborhood Association.

Peg raised question of membership term, collection of dues, and dues amount – Put discussion on a future agenda. Meanwhile, consensus to collect dues at each gathering, with note regarding the fiscal year to which they apply.

Bucky Dome and ARPA grant: Judy reported on Bucky Dome intent to purchase 811 W Cherry. D. proposed that the Bucky Dome board, (a 501(c)3 organization) in conjunction with the Arbor District, apply for City ARPA funding for creating Bucky Dome Museum parking area, Visitor Center, Museum offices, and community center at 811 W Cherry, and develop a Fuller-themed park in the vacant lot between Forest and James (to be purchased by a donor).

Peg moved, D. seconded, that the AD Board support the proposal. Passed unanimously. Judy will follow up with Bucky Dome Board; with their approval, Judy, Peg, Brian, and Pheral, with support from D. and Jane (who will be out of town) will write and submit the grant. Kyle will send links to relevant forms & information on City website.

Cherry Street traffic calming: The City has done nothing to calm traffic on W. Cherry Street between Poplar and Oakland, a scene of frequent speeding and occasional high speed chases. Suggestions for traffic calming measures: Create bike lanes, parking on the south side of the street between Poplar and Forest, create bump-outs to narrow street, install small traffic circles at intersections to squeeze traffic.

D. moved, Judy 2nd - Kyle (with other board members of his choosing if he wishes) will meet with City Manager to discuss these proposals.

Proposed expansion of TIF No. 2: After considerable discussion, *Pheral moved, D. seconded, The Arbor District supports the proposed expansion of TIF No. 2 into three adjacent residential neighborhoods with the proviso that there be in place a) a Governing Board with equal representation from each neighborhood's board; b) defined eligibility criteria for entering into a TIF contract; c) clear standards for distributing TIF earnings in the four areas within the*

expanded TIF No. 2; d) creation of a Redevelopment Corporation; and e) a defined marketing strategy.

The Arbor District will send representatives from the Arbor District to a planning body to implement these necessary elements, prior to the creation of the expanded Business - Residential TIF No. 2. Passed unanimously.

Brian Moved, D. second, Jane will circulate resolution for copyedits, Peg will put on letterhead, Kyle, as President, will sign and send via email to City Council, Mayor, Gary Williams, Steve Mitchell, John Lenzini, and the Planning Commission. The resolution will also go the media as an op ed. Passed unanimously.

Sandy announced that the March 2, 6:00 p.m. Planning Commission meeting will address code for ground-mounted solar in residential areas.

Future agenda items:

Membership term, dues, dues collection.

Review by-laws

Schedule meetings (by-laws require 6 meetings a year)

City proposals regarding housing, overlay districts

April 16 3:00 p.m. Board Meeting – Judy Ashby’s home, 700 W. Elm St.

April 24, 2:00 p.m. - gathering in D. and Jane’s garden – Planning at April meeting

Meeting adjourned (time not noted)