

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, May 11, 2019 :: 12:30PM :: Larry's House

Call to Order and Roll Call Meeting called to order at 3:05 pm. Attending were Stan Sartor, Alan Beardslee, Larry Johnson, Jim High, and Shannon Metcalf. Pam Keating was an excused absence due to illness. Neighborhood resident Eric Chiel attended.

Acceptance of Agenda **Approved Yes 5 No 0**

Review and Approval of Minutes of March 9, 2019 (see handout) **Approved Yes 5 No 0**

Public Comments

There were no formal public comments

Advisory Board Organization, election of officers for 2019-20, liaison to ONE-PS

This is the first meeting of the newly elected TPNO Board members. Per the By-Laws, at this meeting the Board will elect officers for the next year. There are 5 officer positions.

Larry Johnson volunteered to again serve as Treasurer. It was M/S/C to elect Larry Johnson treasurer.

Jim High volunteered to again serve as Communications Officer. It was M/S/C to elect Jim High as communications officer.

Since no one volunteered to fill the 3 remaining positions of Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary, it was agreed that we would continue our practice of the past 2 years and share the responsibilities of these positions among all members of the Board. As tasks are identified, one or more members will assume responsibility for that task. This process has worked well for the Board to date. The Board agree that we will monitor our collaborative process over the coming year, and revisit this issue if needed or if a member volunteers to assume one of these positions.

Eric Chiel asked for some time on the agenda to discuss some of the responsibilities that he has assumed over the years that he was a Board member. Now that he is no longer on the Board, these tasks need to be assigned to someone on the board, or the activity discontinued.

The first task is the official Twin Palms liaison representative to ONE-PS. Eric offered to continue to represent Twin Palms. He indicated that if that was the wish of the Board, that he had prepared the document required for a neighborhood to appoint a non-board member as their representative. The document requires official action by the Board, and must be signed by all members of the Board. Eric was thanked for his willingness to continue this important

responsibility. It was M/S/C to appoint Eric Chiel as the official Twin Palms representative to ONE-PS. **Approved Yes 5 No 0**

Eric has been the second signatory on our TPNO Bank account. Stan Sartor volunteered to replace him. Larry said that our bank requires official Board action authorizing who can sign checks. It was M/S/C to approve adding Stan Sartor as a check signer on our TPNO checking account. **Approved Yes 5 No 0**

Eric has also had the key to our PO Box at Smoke Tree. Alan Beardslee agreed to take over this responsibility and check the Box on a regular basis.

Eric has made sure that the annual payment on the P O Box is paid and also that the Web hosting fee on Go Daddy is paid periodically. Larry Johnson offered to take on making sure these payments are kept up to date.

In the past, Eric was responsible for maintenance of our email list of residents who have voluntarily given us their email addresses. Over the past year this responsibility has been transferred to Jim High as part of his responsibilities as Communications Officer. Jim offered to also take over some or all of Eric's current responsibilities related to Next Door. Jim and Eric will meet to discuss this transition.

Eric noted that since Office Depot will be closing its Palm Springs location soon, we should look into getting a new discount printing card at another retailer.

Eric was thanked for all his years of serve on the Board, and the many tasks, both large and small, that he has assumed to keep the organization moving forward. He will be missed on the Board, but the Board looks forward to his continued participation on TPNO activities of his choosing.

Treasurer's Report

Larry Johnson reviewed the current Financial Statement as of May 11, 2019. Total income for the year to date was \$49,408.08. Expenditures for the year were \$15,810.01, leaving a balance of \$33,598.07.

He noted that we now have 33 paid voluntary dues paying households. A list was provided to the Board members. To recognize these households, we are now periodically posting the names of voluntary dues paying members, both on Next Door and on our Web site.

Krisel Exhibit

Eric Chiel reported on the recent showing of the Krisel Exhibit at the convention center for the Preservation Matters Conference. He said we got a lot of positive feedback. Pictures of the showing are now posted on our website. The next showing is scheduled for May 15 to 18th for

the national Neighborhoods, USA Conference. Eric said that there was interest from a group in Las Vegas for having a showing there. Logistics and costs are the major issues to be addressed.

Larry noted that he is following up on 3 potential exhibit sponsors. He encouraged all Board members to help identify and/or approach other potential sponsors.

Reports/Updates (Committees, Task Groups, Projects)

Debrief April 6th Annual Meeting

The Board discussed the recent Annual meeting. Overall, everyone felt that it was a successful meeting. About 50 people were in attendance. As always, the Ocotillo Lodge clubhouse was a good venue for the meeting. Highlights of the meeting were the Fire Department Architectural Awards, the Third Annual Eric Chiel Leadership Award, the Neighborhood Policing presentation and the election of officers.

Discussion of 2020 Modernism Week Options

Stan Sartor has agreed to serve as the chair for the 2020. He said he will need help from all Board members and the members of the Modernism Committee in the identification and confirmation of at least 5 homes for the tour. The goal is for at least 5 homes that have never been on the tour, and maybe 1 or 2 “on demand” repeat homes. The Committee has set an October 1st deadline for securing the needed homes.

Given the low-ticket sales this year, Stan said that there is a need to find new ways to brand our tour and to do more promotion. After discussion regarding the best size for the tour, it was the consensus that around 400 tickets is the best choice. The Modernism Committee will be working on all the details like ticket price, cost benefits of optional tour expenses, and identification of potential net profit.

Monument Signs

Larry Johnson reported that we are finally moving forward with the placement of our first neighborhood entry sign. The Twin Palms HOA has approved placement on their property. Eric Chiel and Larry will be preparing the application for the City, and will be submitting it in the next few weeks. This is a fairly lengthy process with many steps including approvals by 3 City departments as well as the Architectural Review Board and the Planning Commission. But it looks like we are finally on our way.

Fire Station Update

Great progress is happening with the renovation/expansion of our local fire Station #4. It looks like it should be reopening early this summer. Larry has been in contact with the City and has received assurances that we will be given a spot on the agenda of the Dedication ceremony. We have been promised several weeks of lead time to post the date and time once the ceremony timing is finalized.

Larry said that several of his neighbors had expressed interest in proposing a grant to the Fire Station as a way to say welcome back to the neighborhood. Contact will be made with the Fire Chief to inquire what their needs are. Once a grant application is received, it will go thru the normal review process by our grant reviewer advisory members. Their ratings and recommendations will be shared with the Board and the final decision will be made by the Advisory Board.

Website Update

Larry reported that postings on the Website are happening every month. The latest additions are for the most recent Krisel Exhibit showing, thank you to 2019 voluntary dues paying households, and postings of latest minutes and financial statements. As time permits, Larry said he is adding historical documents to several sections of the website. He noted that all posting to Next Door encourage people to go to the website for further information.

Review of 2019-2020 Objectives (see handout)

The Board made an initial review of the proposed objectives for 2019-2020. The draft objectives are based on past history and new activities proposed for this coming year. Due to time restraints for today's meeting, and to allow members additional time to review the proposed objectives, it was agreed to table action on the 2019-2020 objectives till our next meeting.

New Business

Home and Resident Survey Discussion (see handout)

Alan Beardslee and Larry Johnson presented a proposed 1-page survey to give us a better handle on the housing stock in Twin Palms and the people who own and/or live in the neighborhood. This information will be helpful in better understanding our neighborhood.

The Board gave the go ahead to launch the effort with an initial test. Alan said that he would be surveying the single-family homes on Marion. Assuming all goes well, the plan is to recruit several more residents to assist in surveying the rest of the neighborhood.

Working with City Code Enforcement

Alan Beardslee reported that he had recently completed an informal survey of the neighborhood to identify homes that need attention for overgrown yards or other eye sore issues. He said he had also contacted City Code Enforcement to get a better handle on what help they could provide. Alan said overall the neighborhood is in good condition. He identified about 6 homes that appear to need some attention. The Board thanked him for his efforts to date, and encouraged him to continue his efforts to explore ways we can addresses homes needing attention.

Enhancing our Social Media Profile

Shannon Metcalf is taking the lead on this issue, both for our Modernism Tours and for the organization as a whole. Since she was not present, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

Exploring options for Undergrounding Electrical Poles

Shannon Metcalf requested that this issue be placed on the agenda for discussion. Since she was not present, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

Next Advisory Board meeting

The next meeting was tentatively set for Saturday June 22, 2019 at 12:30pm.

Board meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm.

APPROVED