

**Facilitators:** Angela Wright & Twiggy Billue

**Attendees:** Julius Lawrence, Regina McArthur, Camille Coakley, Jaime Howley, Geneva Hayden, Tiffany Dixie, Charles Pierce-El, Betty Pearson, Christal Johnson, Lou Carol Franklin, Sue Wood, Robert Steingraber, Lori Covington, Christina Saure, Patrona Jones-Rowser, Dana Balter, Frank Fowler, Derrek Thomas, Palmer Harvey, Dorris Harvey, Hanna Havath, Al Freeman, Robb Bucklin, Lydia Montgomery Mumford, Elizabeth Morey, Jeffrey Morey, Chris Tshiderer, Katelyn Wright, Jim Cecile, Beverly Carter, Chol Majok, Susan Boyle, Paul Driscoll, Tracey Corriders-Howard, Joanne Stevens, Tae Cerutti, Katherine Harvey-Barr, Michael Greene, Douglas Bullock, Laura LaVine, Vaughn Irons

The meeting began at 6:03 pm Introductions began promptly. Ground Rules were reviewed

**Review of the August 9<sup>th</sup> 2017 Minutes:** Correction to Julius' name. Betty Morey moved to accept the minutes as revised, Robert Steingraber 2<sup>nd</sup> all were in favor.

**Issues for City Department Officials** Councilmember Sue Boyle requested Chief Fowler attend the meeting to explain the recent report in the newspaper regarding Police Discharging weapons into City Parks. Chief Fowler stated that Police tested the 'shots fired' technology. (sensors that are strategically placed throughout the city to triangulate the sound of gun fire that is sent to Police: location, on foot, how many rounds were fired, etc.) The Parks were chosen because they are the safest place in the City to do this. Proper security was in place. Residents requested that surrounding neighbors be informed if another test is issued.

**Land Bank: Katelyn Wright** Funds from the Attorney General were utilized for the improvements on the Borden Pocket Park. A Pathway was put in, picnic table and giant boxes will be built soon to be placed in the park and perennials were planted. Land Bank is Partnering with HHQ for the Block Blitz which will focus on W. Borden st. The S. Presbyterian Church is being used to house salvageable materials pulled from other Land Bank demo houses. The Church will be conveyed to a developer in the near future; qualifications for the buyer will be to make it accessible to the public as a community gathering space and restore it to its historic condition.

**5 Year Plan Update: Vaughn Irons** The 5 Year plan, entitled *Southern Compass*, is complete! The City of Syracuse was very helpful in the process. Neighborhood surveys were reduced to top 8 concerns of the Southside. Crime, education, youth, vacancy, health and recreation, community engagement, retail. Last section contains recommendations with case studies of where things are working in other parts of the country. The marketing department is pulling the final design pieces together; an electronic version will be sent soon. APD will be available to help with the rollout. TNT should vote to accept this as the South Side plan at the sector level as well as at the city-wide level. Next steps would be to work with the Common Council and Mayors office; if its adopted it's not just TNT it's also a part of the city. Community Stakeholder briefings or one on ones was also recommended.

**Task Force Updates: All Task Forces are in need of volunteers**

**Communications/Special Events Task Force:** Lou Carol Franklin

The first inaugural Gala in the Gardens fundraiser for TNT Southside was held at the Brady Farm on Saturday, September 9th. Charles Pierce-El, Geneva Hayden, Chief Frank L. Fowler, Model Neighborhood Corporation, Dunk&Bright Furniture were all honored. The event had many sponsors. Budget for expenses was over \$6,000. Total raised was over \$11,000. Around \$5,000 will go back into the Southside Community.

**Beautification Task Force:** Patrona Jones-Rowser

Volunteers needed for the Borden Pocket Park, from 10am -2pm during HHQ Block Blitz on 9/14. Vaughn Irons assembled a group of Syracuse alumni for a Cleanup on Thursday, 9/14 from 2-4pm; focus will be around the bridges for the mural project. .

**Housing /Neighborhood Management Task Force:** Jaime Howley

Feedback was requested on 2<sup>nd</sup> survey from renters rather than home owners. On September 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a tabling event to recruit volunteers for tasks that would help the Task Forces. GIS instructor Jessica Tiefke, from Fowler, is now certified to use the software company's server and information can now be interactive and linked to the website.

**Voting Task Force:** Charles Pierce-El

Tomorrow is Primary Election day, take someone with you. We are all one community. IF you or someone you know need transportation, Syracuse Model Neighborhood will be providing transportation and child care.

**City-wide Board Update** Regina McArthur announced that the Facilitator elections will happen every year by secret ballot. Tina Zagya announced the Master Guide that includes the Facilitator Handbook.

**Facilitator Elections:** Julius Lawrence, Patrona Jones Rowser, Robb Bucklin and Lou Carol Franklin were nominated. All were elected by ballot vote. Lou Carol 16 votes, Patrona 16 votes, Julius 11 votes, Robert 13 votes