

Southside TNT November 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes**Facilitators** Patrona Jones-Rowser, Julius Lawrence, John Sexton, Morgan Williams II

Attendees: Officer Smith, Jimmy Monto, Blake Carter, Betty Pearson, Charles Pierce-El, Angela Wright, Al Freeman, Ossie Edwards, Aggie Lane, Councilmember Latoya Allen, Dr. Dexter, Sue Wood, Lou Carol Franklin, Rachel May, Mary Traynor, Palmer Harvey, Will Morgan, Dorris Harvey, Bonnie Brown, Mel Menon, Chol Majok, Council President Helen Hudson, Geneva Hayden, Jaime Howley, Emily Winiecki, Dashell Martinez, Bob Allen, Ellen and Anthony Rusyniak, Jackie LaSande, Twiggy Meure, Christina Fauve, Cozie Stephens, Rene Musso, Ana Morris, Joseph Bryant, Dan Kearon, Joe Gregory, Egbal Ghwayeen, Gwen Battle, Emad Rahim, Deka Dancil, Mark Mundo, Justin Williams, Carolun Evans Dean, Sue McMahon, Chris Kimmell, Mary Cunningham, Lanessa Chaplin, Matt Witkers, Jerry Augustin, Nikko Collins, AC Gaugh, Christina Whiteside, Ranette Relefra, Peggy Chase, Betty Morey, Jeffrey Morrey, Mary Kate Walsh, Amber Weia, Frank Manz, Mark Jackson, Eric Vandoriort, Glenda Reesz, Martha Ryan, Nakeia Chambers, Al Turnen, Bonnie S. Brown, Will Morgan, Gina Iver, Mohammad Alhawawsha, Cjaza Surratt, Afonso Davis, Cyias Grant, Lotan Michell, Yusuf Abdul Qadir, Fran Faisan, Nitch Jones, Joran Collins, Ruthnie Angrand, Cynthia Lorick, Lateef Johnson-Kinsey

Meeting began at 6:06pm. Ground Rules were reviewed; Welcome and Introductions commenced.

September 10th, 2018 meeting minutes: Al Freeman motioned to approve the minutes as written, Mel Menon 2nd. All were in favor.

Issues for District Representatives/Elected Officials/City Departments: Officer Smith provided a brief update. Questions were taken from the floor. An update on police sub stations was requested. Chol Majok, representative from Senator Valesky's office, provided a statement.

Charles Pierce-El & Mel Menon: Crouse Hospital Rehab Facility at Sears & Robuck building

There will be a Town Hall meeting on November 17th at Danforth Middle School 1 – 3pm.

Economic Development Task Force: Mel Menon distributed a summary report handout regarding the TF special session discussion with Crouse Hospital. Home Leasing, St. Anthony's development, is moving forward on the project and are requesting a letter of support from TNT. Charles Pierce El motioned to approve the letter of support, Betty Morey 2nd, all were in favor.

Housing: Palmer Harvey (co-chair) provided an update on the initiatives and partnerships the task force is a part of. Change jar collection from September was \$80, bottles and cans \$24. A number of items were purchased. Remaining funds is \$20. November 27th from 5:30pm – 7 at Beauchamp Library.

Beautification Task Force: Patrona Jones-Rowser, chair, there will be no new projects in 2019 and the focus will be on finalizing projects started in 2018. Kwanza garden green space has been completed. Furman park triangle (MLK triangle) has recently been beautified. Bulbs will be planted on Coyne corners and other locations. The trash cans and planters awarded through the UNSACC grant will partially be shipped and installed this year.

Voter Task Force: Charles Pierce-El (co-chair) stressed the importance of voting.

Crime and Safety Task Force: Al Freeman (co-chair) stated that the task force is working on inviting the new Chief of Police to a Southside TNT meeting.

Education Task Force: Geneva Hayden provided an update on the after school program. The Hayden House and Garden, the oldest children's garden, now has a caretaker: Sue Wood. 274 Furman Ave. is currently being remodeled and should be ready by early 2019.

TNT City-wide Update: Jimmy Monto, City-wide board chair, provided a statement on the TNT budget from the City. Mr. Monto announced that TNT will be receiving 2 grants from the CNY Community Foundation: Lead awareness in the amount of \$20,000 and Census education in the amount of \$25,000. The board is currently in the process of restructuring the bylaws.

Communications Task Force: TNT will host a Festive Meeting in December.

Announcements: Community Engagement Event at 'Eat to Live Café', from 6pm – 8pm on Friday, November 9th: Racial isolation and economic exclusion.

The barbershop on Midland and Newell, All Star Hair Cuts, is under new management. Free haircuts on Mel Menon motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:18pm, Betty Morey 2nd.