

June 24th, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Facilitator Jessica Kempisty

Attendees: Jerry Haas, David Haas, David Baker, Jimmy Monto, Councilor Rudd, Owen Kerney, Peggy Chase, Beverly LaBier, Stephen Skinner, Mike Parzych, Nodesia Hernandez, Terrance Reiter, Peter Smith, Anthony Lambert, Katie Hayduike, Esther Wise, Gia Palermo, Anna Maria DeSocio,, Pauline Tucci, Bernice Bucke, James Arena, Mary K. Begell

The Ground Rules were reviewed.

April 22nd, 2019 Minutes: Jerry Haas motioned to approve the minutes without reading them, Peggy Chase 2nd, all were in favor.

Special Projects: Mike Parzych's previously approved project will not be able to be funded this fiscal year. The project was not approved by the Parks Department as it is underfunded to meet safety regulations. Lisa Matthews submitted a proposal to purchase 42 (sets of 2) metal flag mounting rings in the amount of \$589.26. Jerry Haas motioned to approve the project funding in the amount of \$589.26, Pauline Tucci 2nd, all were in favor.

Rezoning Update: Owen Kerney, *Assistant Director of City Planning*

The City's zoning (land use regulation) was last updated in 1967. The City received a grant to update the zoning and will roll out a final draft of the new ordinance in the near future. There were five goals in the initiative: Creating a user friendly ordinance (charts, tables, graphs, simplify language), Update the zoning districts (15 residential/mixed use/commercial/open spaces), Modernizing land uses, Design standards, Streamlining and updating the review procedures.

Before the new zoning ordinance is adopted, there have been several public meetings to get feedback; all materials are also posted online. Questions were taken from the floor. Mr. Kerney can be reached on his direct line at 315-448-8110 or by email OKerney@syrgov.net.

Issues for Elected Officials/City Departments: Captain Kavanagh provided a brief crime update. Councilor Rudd took questions from the floor.

Committee Updates: Greenway Park tree is installed. The Mayor signed the community garden grant to approve funding for a fence. 'Sinbads' and 'Found Things' are new businesses opened on James St.

TNT City-wide Update, Tina Zagya stated that the board elected officers for the year (July 1 – June 30). TNT will be tabling several events in the near future regarding the lead initiative.

Announcements:

- World Refugee Day, Saturday June 29th from 12 – 5pm at Lower Schiller Park.
- The Memorial Day parade was a huge success
- Southside 'Get the Lead out of the Block Party' July 27th 11am – 3:30pm behind Dunk and Bright.
- Lock your vehicles to avoid burglaries or theft of your vehicle
- The life of Margaret McVicker was honored with a few words by David Haas.
- No July or August meetings

Jerry Haas motioned to adjourn at 8:25pm, David Haas 2nd.