

Southside TNT January 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes**Facilitator** John Sexton**Attendees:** Morgan Williams, Patrona Jones-Rowser, Betty Pearson, Julius Lawrence, Palmer Harvey, Nicole Odom, Samuel Rowser, Palmer Harvey, Joe Bennett, Jimmy Monto, Christina Whiteside, Stephanie Pasquale, Jeff Morey, Charles Pierce-El, Arlaina Harris, Hon. Latoya Allen, Emily Jane Winiacki, Kayla Johnson, Rosey Oaks, Mike LaFlair, Lara Mosby, Jaqueline LaSonde, Jaime Howley, Karen Schroeder, Rasheada Caldwell, Ashley Kang, Talitha Baxter, Cimone Jordan, Rich Puchalski

Meeting began at 6:00pm. Ground Rules were reviewed; Welcome and Introductions commenced.

December 7, 2020 meeting minutes: Elizabeth Morey motioned to approve the minutes as written, Patrona Jones-Rowser 2nd. All were in favor.**Issues for Elected Officials/City Departments:** Hon. Latoya Allen provided an update on the CDBG Covid grants update public hearing online on Tuesday evening at 5:30pm. Questions were taken from the floor. Shavel Edwards, Land Bank, provided an update on a program that provides %50 off the asking price (up to \$20,000) only applies to full time employees of Onondaga County, City of Syracuse, and SCSD. Active properties can be found at syracuselandsbank.org/forsale. Cimone Jordan, Neighborhood Business Development, provided an update on the small and minority business grant funds.**BluePrint 15:** Stephanie Pasquale, *Director of Neighborhood Engagement (Allyn Family Foundation)* Arlaina Harris, *Director of Community Partnership (Allyn Family Foundation)*Ms. Pasquale provided an overview of BluePrint 15. Ms. Harris provided an overview of the community effort initiatives. Questions were taken from the floor. To view the map and other information, visit www.blueprint15.org**Task Force Updates:** Patrona Jones-Rowser, Beautification task force, and Karen Schroeder with Home HeadQuarters, provided an overview of the Sankofa 1% home improvement loan. www.homehq.org/improving-your-home#SOUTH or email Karen at info@homehq.org Jaime Howley, housing task force submitted a written report outlining the plans for the 2021 Get the Lead Out Block Party, Census 2020 reports, rental moratorium information, and various other programs. Morgan Williams, Economic Development task force, spoke with a few folks to provide future presentations to the Southside.findservices.ny.gov provides links to programs and services you might be eligible for.**TNT City-wide Board Director Elections:** In December, Palmer Harvey, Patrona Jones-Rowser, Jaqueline LaSonde and Morgan Williams were nominated for the two board director positions. Palmer Harvey was determined to be ineligible as per the TNT bylaws eligibility criteria. A poll was taken: Morgan Williams and Patrona Jones-Rowser were elected by majority vote.**Special Project Proposals:** Each sector has a reduced amount for the fiscal year \$3,750. \$500 must be allocated for a new membership outreach project for the sector. Mr. Sexton explained the timeline.**Announcements:**

- Interreligious Consortium if contacted will help with food: 315-474-8855, ifcifc@hotmail.com, www.ifccny.org
- Rasheada Caldwell stated that there will be a committee to determine how \$5,000 project funds will be spent to enhance the community. If you are interested, please contact Rasheada at 315-863-7753 or rasheada75@yahoo.com

John Sexton motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm, Patrona Jones-Rowser 2nd, all were in favor.

