

June 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes**Facilitator: Lisa Matthews**

Attendees: Jimmy Monto, Liz Hradil, Captain Milana, Jerry Haas, Dan Downes, Stephen Skinner, Mike Parzych, Maria Maldonado Lewis, Tony Lambert, Hon. Jen Shultz, Pauline Tucci, Janet Brzostek, Ann Fordock, Sean Radney, Rick Radney, Judy Lewis, Minch Lewis, Mary Anne Barrington, Maria Biel, Katie Vorndran, Miranda Wosilewski, Matt Weston, James Arena, Kylea Skinner, Mark Ryan, Denise Speicher, Mitchell Speicher, Natalie Speicher, Kathy Miller, Anna Maria DeSocio, Janice Ray, Tina Zagyva

Welcome and introductions commenced; the Ground Rules were reviewed.

Minutes from May 23, 2022: Jerry Haas motioned to approve the minutes as written, Tony Lambert seconded, all were in favor.

Issues for District Representatives/City Departments/Elected Officials:

Captain Milana provided a crime report overview. Questions were taken from the floor. Dan Downes, Fire Department, took questions from the floor. If any homeowner is in need of a smoke detector, the Fire Department will install one for you.

City as Canvas location:

Ranked-choice ballots were distributed to the voting members in attendance listing 2500 James Street and 2384 James Street as the two locations. The Palace Theater, 2384 James Street, was selected by majority vote.

Ann Fordock, Deputy Commissioner of DPW:

Ms. Fordock stated that a pilot program is currently underway for a new trash pick-up system. Sidewalks were discussed. Questions were taken from the floor.

Financial Empowerment Center: Maria Maldonado-Lewis, FEC Manager

Ms. Maldonado-Lewis provided an overview of the FEC free program available for all City constituents, no income limits, aged 18 and over. The City of Syracuse oversees the program while Home Headquarters oversees the councilors. Clients can be seen virtual or in person. Questions were taken from the floor. <https://www.syracusefec.org/>

Committee Updates: Lisa McBride-Matthews placed plants in the planters by the bus stops; unfortunately, the planter near the Rigi Ave and James Street bus stop has been stolen twice.

City-wide Updates: Ms. Hradil stated that thanks to Jimmy Monto advocating to the City Council, the TNT budget has increased for this fiscal year, July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. This increase will essentially double the Special Project funding for community projects.

Announcements:

- The next meeting will be August 22.
- Stephen Skinner provided an update on Friendly's and the new American Legion.

Jimmy Monto motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:43pm, Liz Hradil seconded.