

Southside TNT June 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Facilitator Patrona Jones-Rowser

Attendees: Morgan Williams II, Julius Lawrence, Shavel Edwards, Brian Messe, Rich Puchalski, Chief Cecile, Al Freeman, Anthoni Pope (community liaison Assemblywoman Hunter), Betty Morey, Jeffrey Morey, Karen Schroeder, Captain Lynch, Kayo Green, Nate Pan, Beverly Carter, Jackie LaSonde, Sam Roswer, Ossie Edwards, Hon. Helen Hudson, Hon. Chol Majok, Darryl Carter, Tina Zagyva

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

Draft Meeting Minutes May 2, 2022: Betty Morey motioned to approve the minutes as written, Rich Puchalski seconded. All were in favor.

Special Project additional funding request:

Patrona Jones-Rowser requested the use of Special Project funding from 2019/2020 fiscal year up to \$3,000 (remaining funding) to purchase soccer goals for Kirk Park. Morgan Williams motioned to approve the funding, Al Freeman seconded, all were in favor. All were in favor of purchasing the enamel coated soccer goal model.

Chief of Police, Joe Cecile:

Chief Cecile provided a brief overview of his history with the Police force. Priority calls, active shooter training, community policing, officer training, gun removal programs, nuisance abatement, C.O.P.S. cameras, license plate identifier and shot spotters were discussed. There is currently an abundance of funds from a variety of sources coming into the Police Department, some of which is set aside to purchase and install additional C.O.P.S. cameras. It was stated that there are ongoing issues in the supply chain and additional cameras will have to wait. Captain Lynch provided a brief crime overview. It was requested that additional crime reports include number of guns removed from the streets. Questions were taken from the floor. Call 911 for both emergency and nonemergency issues. tip411 is a completely anonymous tip line. Al Freeman motioned to extend the meeting for an additional 15 minutes, Rich Puchalski seconded, a majority were in favor.

Announcements:

- 515 Cannon St (FORCE) community engagement events: Thursday June 9th, 2022 from 4-6 PM and then July 9th, 2022 from 1-4 pm feedback for design of playground improvements.
- Home HeadQuarters has a windows/doors program (\$9,000) for zip code 13205. Southside-Sankofa District 1% loan program up to \$15,000, first come first serve available through Home HeadQuarters. www.homehq.org or 315-724-4330
- Assemblywoman Hunter covid test kits available: email HunterP@nyassembly.gov or SaccoL@nyassembly.gov
- Brady Farms will have a farm stand open every Saturday from 10 – 2pm at the Valley Plaza.
- Happy Birthday to Julius Lawrence!
- June 19th is the Freedom Day event on the corner of South Salina and MLK west from 1-6pm. Food, entertainment, information and free books will be available.
- Sankofa urban market and yoga on Saturdays, bi-weekly, behind Beauchamp library.
- JMA Wireless is still looking to hire individuals that live in the City.

Elizabeth Morey motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:31pm, Al Freeman seconded, all were in favor.