

**Eastside TNT June 12, 2018 Meeting Minutes****Facilitator** Beverly Griffin**Attendees:** Ken Garno, Matt Oja, Mary Carney, Michael Dunbar, Ann Magnarelli, Tom Quinn, Belen Cordon, Edward Ott, Shadia Tadros, Jimmy Harlin

Meeting began at 7:03pm.

**Draft May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting minutes:** Ken Garno motioned to approve the minutes, Mary Carney 2<sup>nd</sup>, all were in favor.**Issues for District Representatives/Elected Officials/City Departments:** no issues**Matt Oja** Thornden Park Association, President.Mr. Oja described his role within the TPA and distributed a handout indicating past grants/activities administered by the TPA. Questions were taken from the floor. [www.ThorndenPark.org](http://www.ThorndenPark.org)

There was discussion regarding the many parks within the Eastside and finding ambassadors for each park. Mr. Oja informed the members of the 'green belt' initiative headed by the Parks Department. Ken Garno discussed the idea of meeting at a park during the summer to engage with residents around the park area. SUNY ESF students institute a program to assist the community with cleanup and maintenance.

**TNT City-wide Board Updates:** Mary Carney provided her last update as the EastsideTNT board. Ms. Carney informed the members of the newly elected Board officers: Chair Jimmy Monto, vice-Chair Pat Body, Treasurer Rick Destito, Secretary Takarra Smith. Ms. Carney also discussed the UNSAAC grant awarded to the Southside TNT. City-wide TNT recently formed a Committee to write and propose for a grant opportunity through the Community Foundation of CNY. The grant would pertain to outreach for the census and education regarding lead poisoning prevention.

**Announcements:**

- No July Meeting. The August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at an Eastside Park.
- Thornden Park partnering with UNPA to host a Summertime Aquathon on July 9<sup>th</sup>.