



DISSTON HEIGHTS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

General Member Meeting Minutes

Date: 01/09/2018

7:00 P.M.

Executive Board		Present
President	Jennifer Joern	x
Vice President		
Secretary	Heather Hoe	x
Treasurer	Betsy Boynton	x
Sergeant at Arms	Gail Hebert	x
Board of Directors		Present
Board Member	Steven Hoe	x
Director of Communications & Social Media	Pam Huff	
Board Member	Gloria Payne	x

Call to Order 7:00 P.M. Pledge to the Flag, Welcome and Introductions

Express Speaker: Council Member Amy Foster

Water rates increased 01/01/18; water plan involving waste, storm, and potable water passed last week; reclaimed water rates increased differently (city stopped subsidizing cost); newsletters will begin going out and forwarded in the next week or 2

Spotlight Speaker: Mo Venouziou, CASA Sr. Communications Director

Soup-er Bowl food drive event running Jan 15th through February 28th, food collection goal is enough food for a year at the shelter; 1/3 of all women are survivors of domestic violence; 1 out of 4 men are survivors of domestic violence; CASA has a 133 bed emergency shelter (about 1/2 are children), and a 24 hour hotline, all CASA services are available as both residential and non-residential services; Current needs are clothing, baby needs, and cleaning supplies; CASA Thrift Store at 1011 1st Ave N in St. Pete, 100% of the proceeds go directly to CASA to support their efforts and services; for more info, visit casa-stpete.org

Crime Report: Officer Christian

December stats are great; 3 auto theft; 8 residential burglaries; 7 vehicle burglaries; 10 narcotics arrests; crime is down citywide; pay attention in your neighborhood; Park, Walk, & Talk is still going strong; Over 30 crime tracts in DHCA and each can and should set up their own crime watch; **REMOVE FIREARMS FROM VEHICLE- LOCK YOUR DOORS AND WINDOWS AT**

**HOME AND NEVER LEAVE YOUR CARS UNLOCKED OR RUNNING
UNATTENDED**

Meeting Sponsor Lisa Ansilio, Financial Advisor from Edward Jones

Executive Board Member Reports

Sergeant at Arms – Gail Hebert

Memberships are due: \$10 for single, \$15 for family, \$25 for business

Treasurer – Betsy Boynton

Balance: \$993.35

President – Jennifer Joern

VP position is open, recommend it stay open until elections, VP responsible for backing up the president securing speakers and sponsors for meetings, Motion to keep open: Heather Hoe, 2nd Steve Hoe, majority in favor; Speakers are confirmed through March and are set up to be confirmed for 2nd quarter; 3rd Saturday breakfast social 01/20 8-9:30 a.m. no lake clean up after; changing community lake clean up to quarterly (March, June, Sept, Dec) still immediately following breakfast social; Christmas tree pickup has ended, but special pickups can be scheduled with the city; Info on MLK Jr Day of Service can be found on city website StPete.org; Election/nomination committee needed for gathering members to run for executive board positions in November (President, VP, Treasurer, Secretary, Sgt at Arms); Audit committee needed for June audit of association finances

Announcements

Adjourn 7:47 P.M.

Minutes taken by: Heather Hoe

32 attendees plus speakers and sponsor