

WINSTON DOWNS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING January 15, 2019
BMG SYNAGOGUE

PRESENT

Board: Tim Rooney, Joanna Milewski, Jane Lorimer, Marsha Badanes, Wendy Glazer, Jeff Herman, Jerry Shustrin, Terry Telfer (Quorum)

Guests: Nate Pearlman, Tyler & Zosia Madden, Amy Girsch,
Robin Kniech, Councilwoman-at-Large, Jordan Fouts, her campaign manager

Special Guest: Councilwoman Robin Kniech

- CW Kniech is ending her second term and campaigning for third term. Has served since 2001. Her platform: Good jobs, environmental sustainability, affordable housing
- Co-sponsored first affordable housing and rental assistance and supports eviction defense plan and minimum \$15 wage for city contract labor
- Council is working on: Sidewalk funding, Police accountability updates, Safety police human services

Discussions included:

- How property taxes are used, how they are computed and fact that resident owners are taking what is perceived as the biggest brunt in terms of paying property taxes. CW Kniech stated the "average" raise on property taxes is 6%, but some pay 12% increases and some pay lower.
- Density and how much is enough. She stated we can't keep people out.
- She favors low income housing in all new developments. Where there are new developments in higher market value neighborhoods, they insert staggered low income levels to accommodate drawing teachers, nurses and professional.

Board agreed WDCA should arrange to have a forum for candidates to present to our neighborhood rather than to appear one at a time at our board meetings. If we do this, it would be a special event and not connected to our annual meeting.

Minutes

Board unanimously approved October 16, 2018 board meeting minutes.

November 16 meeting notes are available although no formal meeting was held.

No quorum was present for December 18 meeting – no actions taken.

Traffic committee

- **Jeff and Marsha now have other interested people to attend planning session. They will plan a meeting so we can announce a direction at annual meeting.** WDCA attending guests are interested in participating.
- Green school 5th graders did a traffic study a year or so ago. **Tim will check to see if that can be repeated against that baseline study or as a new study.** We all agreed involving the school was a good idea.

Membership

- 195 homes/550 which is 35% of the homes. We'd like to push to over 200 in 2019.
- Membership application draft drew good comments and edits. [*Edits were incorporated/circulated after the meeting for the mailed version*]
- **Joanna and Jane will tap help set up Paypal on whatever website we elect.**

- Discussion about Wix.com as a change from GoDaddy which has become not so user friendly and we agreed a fresher, simpler look would be timely.

Treasurer Report – Joanna

Savings: \$8005.75, checking \$1187.80 [Total \$9193.56]

\$2025 came from membership in 2018 and \$945 came as donations from 77 households.

INC - Jane

- Jane advised INC is offering a matched dollar, maximum \$300 grant to member RNO's for such things as newsletters, website needs, beautification projects. Tim / Joanna to send Jane the amount needed for newsletters as spent in 2018. Jane will fill out the grant application.
- Delegate to INC from Winston Downs is open. We are permitted two at each meeting. We can rotate if one or more do not want to attend each monthly meeting.
- Jane sent link to Board to sign up for INC dinner to support Anne Callison presentation

New Ideas

- Can we add spot lights (solar or wired as a beautification project on Alameda to highlight Winston Downs at night. Board will look into this.
- Also Jerry suggested WDCA look into finding a vendor who might offer a discount on motion lights available to WD residents.

Denveright Comments

There are two meetings still planned...see WDCA website for dates or INC (denverinc.org) website/calendar.

<https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denveright/about-us.html> City website

New Board Member to Fill Vacancy

Amy Girsch expressed interest in serving on the board. WDCA has a vacancy and was nominated and approved to fill the vacancy. Welcome, Amy!

Activities Planned

- Summer garage sale, date TBD
- Annual calendar needs update -
- Change the membership application, add online sign up/payment
- Annual meeting April 16 Tuesday

Adjourned 837pm

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at BMH Synagog at 7pm

Action items are in red.

Winston Downs Crime report 12/19-12/12

12/22/18 8pm Robbery Alameda/Quebec

Neighborhood	# Crimes Reported
Hilltop (Includes Hilltop South)	25
Lowry United Neighbors	31
Montclair	25
Stapleton	176
Virginia Village`	36
Washington Virginia Vale	27
Windsor Gardens	28
Winston Downs	1

