

Corbett Heights Neighbors
Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday July 21, 2021
Minutes

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of Corbett Heights Neighbors was called to order by Vice President Maryann Dresner at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 21, 2021 at the home of Leslie Koelsch. The following directors were present: Paul Allen, Josh Baskin, Maryann Dresner, Leslie Koelsch, Casey Rando, and Mark Ryser. Bill Holtzman, Maria Chambers Hutchins, and Scott Pluta were absent.

1. Minutes. The minutes from the June 9 meeting were approved.
2. Treasurer's Report. Leslie offered the Treasurer's Report. CHN received one donation of \$1000 and another of \$50. The report will be posted on the website. A new donation link for Ord has been added to the website.
3. Neighborhood Parks.
 - 3.1. Under Leslie's supervision, the contractor is scheduled for a clean up at Ord on Thursday July 22. Leslie will obtain a bid to add mulch to the Merritt/Danvers park. A clean up with Board volunteers will be scheduled for the sleeping nook at Corbett Slope.
 - 3.2. There was discussion of the continuing need to acquire gardening supplies for the three principal parks at Ord, Merritt, and the Slope; this during times when the Board is not in session. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Treasurer to spend up to \$300 for necessary gardening supplies, provided that a report of any such expenditures be made to the Board at the subsequent meeting.

4. Board Election.
 - 4.1. Maryann noted that those wishing to run for a Board director position must forward their name to the Secretary, Paul Allen, by August 15. The Board discussed its desire to recruit additional members for the Board.
 - 4.2. The Board also discussed a list of issues submitted by a CHN member that Board candidates might address in their candidate statement¹, noting that most of these issues are captured by Article III, Purpose and Goals, in the current Bylaws. The consensus of the Board was that candidates be asked to comment on the subjects identified in Article III and the issues identified in footnote one, below, but not be required to do so.

¹ 1. Beautify, maintain, and improve the character of the neighborhood. 2. Protect historic architectural resources. 3. Ensure that new construction/development is compatible with the neighborhood. 4. Maintain its 11 (sic) parks. 5. Increase Security. 6. Provide community outreach and an educational forum. 7. Encourage friendly association among the neighbors.

4.3. There was also a general discussion of persistent neighborhood and city wide issues of concern, such as homelessness, crime and aberrant street behavior. There was a brief discussion of a proposal to leaflet the neighborhood prior to the August 15 date; no decision was made but Paul will draft something for the Board to consider.

5. Land Use/Zoning Issues.

5.1. 4300 17th St. Board members reported on their unsuccessful efforts to determine from the Planning Department the nature of the modifications made to the development in advance of a possible September hearing before the Commission. Maryann will email the responsible planner seeking a meeting.

5.2. Maryann noted the recent letter sent to Supervisor Mandelman on behalf of the Board on the issue of his proposed new Sec. 319 of the Planning Code, in connection with “monster” homes.

6. Next Board Meeting. The Board moved the next Board meeting to August 18.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Paul Allen
Secretary