Corbett Heights Neighbors Board of Directors Meeting September 13, 2023 Minutes

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corbett Heights Neighbors was called to order by Vice President Maryann Dresner at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 13, 2023. The following directors were present: Joe Accordino, Maryann Dresner, Leslie Koelsch, Becca Orloff McCann, Casey Rando, and Mark Ryser.

1- Adoption of Agenda

Agenda was adopted.

2- Minutes of previous meetings: Discussion of minutes from August 9, 2023, probable adoption of same as official minutes of the Board (Proposed Minutes are attached).

The minutes from the August 9, 2023 were approved.

3- Election of officers and discussion of responsibilities of each position

Following the election of officers, a discussion regarding filling the various Board positions was entertained. Maryann and Leslie volunteered to remain in their respective positions of Vice President and Treasurer. It was agreed that the position of President would not be filled at this time. The discussion shifted per Mark to address what specific needs and/or responsibilities existed for the Board and how we could divide the responsibilities rather than fill the open positions. Primary responsibilities of the Board include: maintaining the website, including changing membership, changing board members, and posting minutes; drafting and posting the newsletter; accounting/financial responsibilities; governing Board meetings and all membership meetings. Regarding the newsletter, Joe and Leslie will share this responsibility. Regarding minutes, Casey and Becca will rotate this responsibility. Regarding the website, the board is going to reach out to the membership to see if we can find someone to volunteer to take on this task. Leslie will continue to be the Treasurer and Maryann will fill the responsibilities of the President in presiding over the meetings.

There was a request that we discuss the membership meeting and leafletting at the next Board meeting

4- Waiving of membership fee for Margaret K, who has tended Al's park. – Maryann D will discuss

A Motion was introduced by Maryann to waive the membership fee for Margaret K. because of all the work she has done for Al's Park. Second by Leslie, and passed unanimously by the Board.

5- Financial Report: Leslie Koelsch

Per Leslie Koelsch, the largest expense for the last month was \$160 for the

membership meeting flyers, other than the usual gardening expenses. We currently have 131 members, 12 of which are new. SFPA 4th quarter report was provided to the Board.

- 6- Park's report:
 - A. Al's

No report because we could not reach Margaret.

B. Merritt/Danvers

Per Leslie, park looks good; plants are maturing and there is a new tree. A homeless person had been sleeping among the vegetation recently.

C. Ord/Corbett

Per Leslie, the park needs work in one of the corners.

D. Corbett SLOPE : Discussion of SF Parks and Rec taking over Slope from Department of Public Works

No word from SFPA regarding status.

E. Sweetgum corner

Per Leslie, the area needs a one time clean-up. She suggested sending Franco, which would cost an estimate \$240. After some discussion, it was agreed Leslie would try to get the neighbors to volunteer.

7- Contribution solicitation for wall in front of Corbett slope on Market Street

- A. Should CHN as an entity contribute?
- B. Donations doubled before September 30.

CHN received a solicitation to donate money to finish the Market Street mural, as Alex Lemberg of EVNA would match the donation. After some discussion, the Board declined to contribute.

8- Bus Stop/flag stop vote results: Discussion.

The results of the membership poll regarding flag stops was discussed. While voter turn-out was low, those who voted overwhelming opposed removal of parking spaces (83% to 17%). The Board agreed that we were now able to take a position on this issue. Accordingly, on the motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED that based on our membership poll, the Board takes the position opposing the removal of parking spaces for bus stops and stop signs.

9- 143 Corbett Update

We await the fulfillment of the obligation agreed to by the parties in 2018.

10- Panos Place update: Maryann D (Introduced last week, it's been assigned to committee and will most likely come before the full Board next week or later.)

The bill to rename the Corbin Stairs to Panos Place was introduced as a resolution. The bill is currently in Committee, but should go to the full Board of Supervisors next week.

11- Discussion of all members' meeting on September 11, 2023

It was agreed the meeting went well, despite the inability to secure a commitment for a speaker from the Mayor's office. Mike Ege from the SF Standard and Supervisor Mandelman spoke, and each did very well.

12- New Business:

Some discussion was had regarding who responds to emails CHN receives, as we have received email inquiries regarding the following:

- Amicus Brief on encampments Board took no action.
- Francisco painted the fence along Market. Looks great, but with the Certificate of appreciation forthcoming, the Board took no action.
- Home break-in email to CHN dates 8/8/23, it was not clear if anyone responded. Leslie was to look into it. If no response was sent, Maryann will respond.
- Togetheractionsf Rose Institute publication that indication SF government is failing. Leslie recommended reviewing the publication.
- Maryann mentioned the night market in the Sunset, which was the brainchild of Joel Engardio. She thought it was a novel idea with a lot of potential.

13-.Adjournment before 8:45PM

The meeting adjourned shortly before 8:45 p.m.