

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES January 3, 2022 Via Zoom

7:02 pm Call to Order and Welcome by Sue Roethel, President who introduced the board: Patti O'Brien, Secretary, RoseMary Shaw, Treasurer and Tony Micciche, Director and Lindy Litwak, Director Sue welcomed Jonathan Hardin as Director. Quorum confirmed.

We began the meeting with a moment of silence for the two Leadership Academy scholars, Derek Watson and Julius Greer Jr. who had recently died.

CITY OF ROCHESTER UPDATES

Rochester Police Department – Lt. Waldo

- No shootings in December, (1) burglary and one homicide on Bennington Dr. (Greece)
- 81 homicides and 345 shootings in 2021
- PCIC meeting will be held on 1/19/22 via Zoom

Fire House – Captain Scott Daly

- Major incidents of Covid cases are on the rise. RFD is responding every day to ill residents.
- There were over 4,000 calls that they responded to in 2021
- "Adopt a Hydrant program" is needed in our neighborhoods.

NWNSC – Daisy Rivera-Algarin

- We were formally informed that Bruce Wilder would be the interim administrator for the service center at this time. A permanent administrator will be selected soon.
- One year grant for \$50,000 for restaurants in our area to provide our senior residents with free meals. They are looking for additional restaurants (no chains). These dinners will be supplied starting February 1st. Seniors are allowed 3 meals a week for 30 days. Funding is through the American Rescue Plant Act. Meals are delivered directly to seniors.

City Council Jose Peo

- A Polar Plunge team is being set up at this time. Contact Jose or Jonathan to sign up for the team.
- Roofing grants are still available. Sign up at the Neighborhood Net office at 400 Dewey Ave., in person.
- Jose is working with the new business association and the city to get lights at the parking lot at the beach and banners for Lake Ave.
- The new council swearing in was January 3rd. Miguel Meléndez Jr. is President and Mary Lupien is Vice President. The new Mayor Malik Evans is supportive of community associations.
- Jose spoke about the ITEC (Isaac Training & Education Center). Isaac Heating and Tom Golisano and others are making available free trades and life skills training.

NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Assemblywoman Sarah Clark (Courtney represented)

- Assemblywoman Clark is heading to Albany to begin the 2022 year.
- Renovations to the Robach Center will begin in 2022. Money will come from the assembly along with Senator Cooney's office.

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• Assemblywoman Clark is following up with small businesses in the area to support them in Albany.

Ontario Beach Park Program Committee – Fred Amato

- Winterfest is scheduled for Saturday February 5th from Noon 4 pm. It will once again be held in the tent set up adjacent to the Robach Center. There will be family friendly events and wine and beer tasting for the adults.
- The Polar Plunge will be on Sunday February 6th at Noon.

Charlotte Genesee Lighthouse – Fred Amato:

- Renovations to the apartment at the lighthouse will be done during the winter months to allow it to be rented again by Spring.
- 2022 will be the 200th Anniversary of the Charlotte Genesee Lighthouse. Events are being planned to celebrate.

Leadership Academy for Young Men – Jonathan Hardin for Vaughn Collins

- Jonathan spoke about the two scholars who have passed away within the recent days, one to Covid and the other to gun violence.
- The JROTC students went to the Bills game to present the flag. Funds raised by CCA for the students from the JROTC, allows events such as this.
- The LAYM teaching staff wanted to thank the CCA for our letters to the school board. The board did request that if there is a change in the school, the JROTC program would stay.
- Barbara Lake spoke about the Youth Engagement Committee. They are meeting via Zoom the last Monday of the month at 5:30 pm. They are planning to expand the 4H program in the Spring.

New Charlotte Business Association – Jonathan Hardin

- The group is meeting via Zoom this week. They will discuss bylaws and events and get a clear mission and vision
- Sue Roethel spoke about the family event sponsored by the Business Association in December and how successful and fun it was.

Community – Bill Brown (guest)

• Mr. Brown asked if any organizations are vying for some of the monies available from the American Rescue Plan. Daisy gave us the information to investigate this option.

NEW INITIATIVES/HIGHLIGHTS

BOARD REPORTS

Presidents Report – Sue Roethel – Nothing currently.

Treasurer Report – RoseMary Shaw gave an update of our current account. The opening balance as of December 1, 2021, was \$12,253.21 and ending balance on December 31, 2021, was \$12,227.94.

Secretary Report – Patti O'Brien reported that December GM minutes and BOD minutes were sent out for approval of the board.

COMMITTEE/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES – Sue Roethel

Sue reviewed all the committees and their function. Each board member liaison described their committee's work.

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- Beautification
- Business Alliance
- Communications
- Community Development
- Governance/Bylaws Review Ad Hoc
- Membership/Sponsorship/Outreach
- Nominating
- Fundraising Sue Roethel is the board liaison. This is now a separate committee from Programming. This committee will focus on receiving grants. Sue asked for volunteers to work on the committee and one volunteer to chair.
- Programming
- Safety & Security
- Scholarship
- Youth Engagement Jonathan stated that monthly meetings at the Leadership Academy have been scheduled to help the school get out of receivership. JROTC needs \$2,000 for 2022 trips planned and to sponsor this group. Jonathan the use of the \$2,000 that they requested. There are currently 185 young men at the Leadership Academy in JROTC.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS – Mark your calendars please:

- 1/11/22 Community Development Committee, 6:30 via Zoom
- 1/17/22 BOD Meeting, 6:30 pm., via Zoom
- 1/19/22 PCIC meeting, 7 pm, via Zoom
- 2/5/22 Winterfest Lakeside Celebration, Robach Center & outside tent
- 2/6/22 Polar Plunge, noon Ontario Beach Park
- 2/7/22 General Meeting, 7 pm via Zoom