



Rogers Orchard Neighborhood Association
Quarterly Meeting May 4th, 2017
6:31pm - Called to order

Residents: 15 in attendance (Households from Seville, Rogers, Daley, Thorndyke, St Paul Present; Titus Ave Not Present)

Board: 5 of 6 in attendance (Kate Ross, Ryan Arnold, Kim Miranda, Bill Walh, Richard Episcopo Present; Andrew Brady, VP absent)

Welcome & General Announcements

Kate Ross offered thank you offered to Kessler Center for hosting meeting and open house, and general comments thanking those who attended the recent Tap Takeover at i-Square.

Board Updates

- Kim - Update on Tap Takeover Results
- \$546.69 - Fundraised on First Event
- Early funds to be used for repayments of expenses and startup costs for Association

Irondequoit T Shirt Sale & Weekend Event

- Taking place online - All proceeds will be distributed to other groups to add additional seed money that will be used to get associations growing across town.
- My town is i-Town shirts are being sold through booster.com campaign for \$20-25 online
- Reminder - Invigorate Irondequoit Event taking place May 6th AM
- Links will be added to the Rogers Orchard website tonight for both fundraiser and event

Formal Business-Constitution & Bylaws

- Review of the document to be ratified as an initial organizational document
- Discussion ensued to clarify these are a working document but required to establish the organization legally, to hold a bank account for neighborhood funds, etc.
- David Rakov asked clarifying questions about the wording of C&BL's – no changes needed
- David Rakov moved to approve, Allison Cubitt seconded the motion
- 18 In Favor, 2 Abstain – Documents Ratified – 7:05 pm
- Will be posted in final format on Rogers Orchard Website

7:05pm - Motion passed

Agenda Updates

- Playground Project was discussed – this is a past effort, proposals were solicited for updating the equipment in Joshua Park – this was led by Kate Ross since Q3 of 2016.
- Town states we will not be able to utilize or add to current surface
- Weather occurrences in April 2017 delayed the project

- No added update or timeline via Pat Pinkerton
- Discussion:
 - Consideration of Kessler Center population and usage of the equipment and what types of equipment needs would differ vs. general town need
 - Added comment: Kessler 20% through fundraising for their own on-campus playground project so town may not need to consider this
 - Joshua Rojas Foundation - Kate to discuss their needs/goals and how this may contribute to park decisions
 - NOLA association (south of Rogers Orchard) has been contacted to see what type of feedback they may have in park construction

Resident Ideas/Discussion

- “Undesirable” End of Joshua Park / former bocce ball area
 - Potential to discuss addition of dog run in the former bocce ball area
 - Annual Permitting done by the municipality – this could be a potential revenue source, such as Ellison Park handles, thus making the project attractive for Irondequoit
 - Minor discussion regarding posting rules, safety, etc as is posted in other similar parks.
- Welcome Packets
 - Helps Neighborhood when there is Real Estate Turnover
 - Discussion of having Small One-Pager such as Winona Woods, and other associations for realtors to have on hand for house showings, open houses etc
 - Ryan Arnold to create and take inspiration from already-existing resources
 - Solicit neighbor input on favorite places such as Food, Ice Cream, amenities
- Plant Swap
 - Looking at Irondequoit FB page there has been recent discussion of interest with multiple positive responses
 - Will report back, next quarter 3-4 members expressed interest and will discuss offline (Mary, Rich, Allison)
- Long Term Community Garden Project (at end caps of streets/ main intersections)
 - This is a popular project other associations take on
 - Idea circulated of potential to have Kessler Center Student Involvement
 - Comments made on communicating idea and responsibilities in future discussions
 - “Start Small” and let it bloom from there
- September 17th Marathon
 - Will be discussed at the next meeting.
 - Let Kim Miranda know about interest between now and July
 - Neighborhoods will be sponsoring a theme on sections of St Paul Blvd
 - Athletes in race vote on their favorites – cash awards will be given to winners, which could help with developing future projects

Next Meeting to take place approximately 13 weeks from today

Will be announced in coming weeks - Potential slated Date is Thursday, August 3

7:50 pm - Adjourned