

## **CAYUGA NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**

**Board Meeting: June 29, 2021, via Zoom, 6:00pm**

### **Attendees:**

Chris Dillon, Acting President

Renee Anderson, Treasurer

M.G. Thomas, Secretary

Barbara Fugate, Officer at Large

Jane Merschen, Officer at Large

Meeting was called to order at 6:02pm.

**Minutes:** The minutes from the May board meeting were approved as submitted.

### **Acting President's report:**

- 1). The main focus of this meeting will be the structuring of July membership meeting.
- 2). The call for nominations continues to be open. Please include the call in the newsletter.
- 3). I'm including the link to the Sunday Chronicle article on PIT STOPS, since the article was still locked to subscribers only when i sent it out Sunday morning:  
<https://www.sfchronicle.com/local-politics/article/San-Francisco-could-get-more-24-7-public-16273076.php>

**Treasurer's Report:** Renee reported that our bank balance is \$3,654.51. There were two renewals. Tracking multiple-year memberships is tedious; expiration dates need to be input into the membership document to make this easier. Also, contact information has to be mandatory on the membership application so we can follow up with the member when necessary.

### **Team Reports:**

**Friends of Cayuga Park:** Chris

- 1). The last book on our park has now been published. The author and I are attempting to schedule a book launch in the park, with SF RPD awareness. I will advise when we confirm a date. To date, this process has been 'challenging'. The book itself is exquisite, informative, and sensitively written! The focus is on the integration of history, topography/ecology, and the role of indigenous and immigrant communities in the evolution of Cayuga Park. I have copies for everyone.
- 2). I will schedule statue painting and repair work as the weather permits. In the meantime, all of the necessary supplies are in a wagon at my house. Anyone can paint a favorite statue at any time. During SIP, several community members worked on individual projects, both at home and in the park.

Also, the Naglee stairs area needs to be cleared of weeds, trash, etc. We'll arrange a date sometime in July for cleanup.

**Resilience:** Jorge - no report.

**Cayuga Community Connectors:** We still need a Community Director. Applications are being sent in to the Community Living Campaign.

No word from the pastor about our being able to use the church again.

**Membership/Publicity:** Jane created a flier for the general meeting and will print 500 for distribution.

**PIT STOP:** No response from Safai's office. Renee will create a survey to show neighborhood needs/approval. For example, (1) do you support the proposal to increase the budget for Pit Stop toilets, (2) do you support a Pit Stop in District 11, (3) suggested location in D11?

**Newsletter:** Any newsletter items should be sent to Barbara by July 10.

**Old Business:**

1). Is there a good date(s) to schedule the mandated financial audit? Renee will contact Chris about confirming a date.

**New Business:**

1). Barbara heard about self-defense training specifically for the AAPI community, and suggested that we try to hold this at the park. She will research the details and follow up with us.

<https://www.sfchronicle.com/local/article/S-F-Chinatown-sees-big-turnout-for-Asian-16276893.php1>).

Attempts to contact Pastor Tessfai at Bethel have not been successful to date. Therefore, the July membership meeting will be ZOOM only.

1). Invitations to the July 17 Membership Meeting have been sent to Supervisor Safai's office and Captain Jones.

a). Captain Jones will attend the meeting as long as it is ZOOM. She would send a delegate if it is held at Bethel.

b). There has been no response from Lauren Chung/Supervisor Safar's office.

2). At present, we have two speakers scheduled:

a). David Amador: The District Attorney's office liaison for District 11 and the Mediation Director. I booked him for our July membership meeting. He will speak only about the

mediation process. We will have limited Q&A, not to include discussion on the current political situation in the DA's office.

b). Sarah Quinones: SF Transit Riders. Barbara will put this information in the newsletter. It was decided to have her speak at the September meeting.

c). We now have a third request for presentation from the Planning Department: I have included the request/content at the end of the minutes. Do we wish to have a third speaker?

3). I am including a copy of the formatting/schedule for the April ZOOM meeting, adapted to our July meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ will recognize members who wish to speak/have questions.

\_\_\_\_\_ will monitor the chat feature.

\_\_\_\_\_ will mute/unmute participants, if necessary

MG will be timekeeper, 2 minutes per question.

MG: do you have notes regarding who will cover the other functions above, keeping in mind that I believe Renee will not be able to attend? I know that I can only keep my own role going during these meetings! I believe Jane may have volunteered for some or all of the functions(?).

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Submitted by

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Mary Gayle Thomas, Secretary

Master Meeting Agenda:

10a: **Call to order/welcome attendees**

Provide our web site & social media information:

Website: [cayugaimprovementassociation.org](http://cayugaimprovementassociation.org)

E-mail: [cayugaimprovement@gmail.com](mailto:cayugaimprovement@gmail.com)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CayugaImprovement>

Instagram: **Renee: can you add this?**

Explanation of **rules of conduct**:

- 1). Please use the ZOOM option of raising your hand or the message option to address a speaker/presenter at the end of their presentation. Await recognition from the meeting manager, at which time you will be unmuted.
- 2). Please address our guests respectfully. Questions/comments should not exceed 3 minutes duration.

10:05: **INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKERS.** Explanation that, in respect to the intense professional schedules of our guests, the formal business meeting will be conducted after the guest presentations.

Welcome our **SFPD Ingleside Precinct Captain**: Nicole Jones

Welcome **Lauren Chung: Legislative Aide/District 11 Supervisor Safai's Office**

Welcome **Guest Speakers**:

**BUSINESS MEETING:**

**Approval of minutes** of the April General Meeting (presented in the newsletter)

**Treasurer's Report**: Renee Anderson

**Call for officer nominations.** Election will be conducted at the July membership meeting.

**TEAM Reports:**

**Cayuga Community Connectors**: Glenda Hope/Liaison

**Friends of Cayuga Park**: Chris Dillon

**Resilient Cayuga**: Jorge Palafox

**Community Outreach/Membership**: Jane Merschen

**CPAB**: Joelle Keneally/Sharon Eberhardt

**NERT**: Jane Merschen

**Pit Stop**: Renee Anderson/Glenda Hope

**D11C**: suspended during pandemic

**Old business:**

**New business:** re-iteration of officer elections

**Conclusion/adjournment**: Final comments from attendees