



RIVERHILL GATEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE 865-414-1752

ANNUAL MEETING

February 25, 2019

James White's Fort

The meeting was called to order by the president, Helen Bachrach, at 5:10 pm. 18 Neighborhood residents were in attendance. The meeting was preceded by a social which was catered by Café Vicolo.

The minutes from the January, 2018 annual meeting were approved as submitted. The financial report was approved as submitted. We have two ongoing expenses for the maintenance of the website and the annual filing required for our 501(c)3 organization. All other projects are funded through donations. We are required to have an annual financial review. Helen will ask Danielle Haas who is a CPA and Sam Maynard to conduct the review. Noel Kuck, treasurer, will provide the financials.

OLD BUSINESS

Helen presented the summary of our 2018 awards, projects and social events:

Award – Office of Neighborhoods Achievement Award \$75

Projects:

- Beauford Delaney art wrap on the traffic control box funded by donations from Neighborhood residents and Thrivent
- Charles Krutch art wrap on the KUB box funded by CBID
- Wildflower/monarch butterfly garden begun at trolley stop
- Trees and shrubs planted along parking lot at East Hill Avenue and Volunteer Landing Lane funded by donations from Neighborhood residents and Thrivent

Social events:

- Water station for Covenant Health marathon
- Stop the Bleed class
- Tour de Lights Holiday Party at James White Fort
- Ruth Chris Happy Hour, 4:30 pm the last Monday of each month – ongoing activity

NEW BUSINESS

2019 Covenant Health Marathon is Sunday, March 31st 10 am – 1 pm. We need 10 volunteers to hand out water. Covenant provides all tables and supplies. Let Noel Kuck know if you can help.

2019 Activity Suggestions

- 1) Auction Fund Raiser – The Office of Neighborhoods is partnering with Community Television of Knoxville and Knoxville neighborhood associations to present the Knoxville Neighborhood Treasure Hunt. You can submit some of your “treasures” to be auctioned on a 3-week online fundraising event. Items must be submitted online - ctvknox.org/hunt – by May 3rd. You coordinate a pickup time/location with the buyer for your item. You must identify our neighborhood association and **all proceeds go to our association!**

- 2) Beer fundraiser for Neighborhood Conference – Wednesday, March 13, 5 – 10 pm. This event helps offset the cost of the annual Neighborhood Conference. Each neighborhood is assigned a brewery. Ours is Pretentious Glass Brewery 131 S. Central Avenue. We purchase beer, state our neighborhood affiliation, and the Conference receives \$1 per item purchased. It was agreed that we would go there around 6 pm.
- 3) Grant application for outdoor exercise station near the trolley stop – Grant money is currently available through Knoxville Parks and Recreation. The proposal is to install stationary equipment (no moving parts – bench, overhead bars, etc.) behind the birdbath for walkers, bikers, etc. to stop and stretch or do other exercises such as crunches. After discussion it was decided that Kaye Bultemeier and Al Schuetz would discuss this with the city.
- 4) Water station for walkers, bikers, etc. – We have looked into this before but it was too expensive due to the location. PBA owns the water system. Kaye Bultemeier and Ed Patrick will pursue this, possibly in conjunction with the Knoxville Parks and Recreation grant opportunity.
- 5) Flowers on the bridge – It was suggested we look into wraps or something non-living to add to the existing boxes. Kaye and Dana are working on that. We were initially limited to the placement of the current boxes due to the liability if one was dislodged and fell onto traffic. Current boxes are placed so that could not happen.
- 6) Revive the Saturday morning walk – It was decided not to pursue this proposal.
- 7) Greenway Clean-up with Billy Lush – In an effort to engage residents of The Landings, it was suggested that we partner with Billy Lush and have a Greenway Clean-up with the opportunity for participants to receive \$1 off each beer purchase. It was decided that we would have a clean-up activity the last Saturday in each month, beginning in March. Keep Knoxville Beautiful has grabbers, bags for trash, etc. John David Curry will contact The Landings in an effort to engage this property and its residents.

BY LAWS

The addition to Article II. Officers, section 1 – “In addition, two to three At-Large members will be elected to the Board each year.” was approved. It was also noted that the current by-laws on the website have a footer that reads “Draft 11/2015.” This is a typographical error and will be corrected.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Thanks to Ed and Corinne Patrick for soliciting the slate of officers for 2019. The slate was approved as submitted:

President – Helen Bachrach

Web Manager – Noel Kuck

Vice-President – Dana Dalton

Immediate Past President – Kaye Bultemeier

Secretary – Donna Curry

At-Large Member – Pia Serpinski

Treasurer – Noel Kuck

At-Large Member – Betsy Quinn

Communications – John David Curry

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
 Donna Curry
 Secretary