RIVERHILL GATEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING January 20, 2020 Café Vicolo

9 attendees – Helen Bachrach, Kaye Bultemeier, Noel Kuck, John David and Donna Curry, Dana Dalton, Mark Miller, Pia Serspinski

The President, Helen Bachrach, called the meeting to order at 5 pm.

Secretary Report – The minutes from the September board meeting had been emailed and were approved as submitted.

Treasurer Report – Noel Kuck submitted the financial report and it was approved by the board. The 2019 files are ready for audit.

Old Business

The water bottle refilling station project is complete. Kaye provided sample thank you letters to send to the Public Building Authority, CBID, City of Knoxville and Knoxville Parks and Recreation Department. They were reviewed by the board. Kaye will send them to Donna via email to be reformatted using our letterhead and mailed to the addressees.

Sculptures on the Bridge- We have received the \$3000 Neighborhood Grant from the City of Knoxville. We must use these funds by the end of 2020. Dana will send John David information on the project and he will investigate to see how we need to proceed with the city.

Sign Repair- We received a letter from Derek White, the artist. He is getting his plasma cutter machine repaired and is committed to fixing our sign as soon as the repairs are completed.

New Business

The report of the nominating committee: President – Mark Miller Vice President – Donna Curry Treasurer – John David Curry Secretary – Dana Dalton Webpage – Noel Kuck Communications – John David Curry Immediate Past President – Helen Bachrach At Large: Pia Serpinski and Jean and Mike Stafford

Annual Meeting – We have \$200 in the budget to use for renting space. The meeting will be held on Monday, February 24th, 5 – 6:30 pm at the Blount Mansion. Helen will bring beer, wine and water. Board members will bring finger food. John David will send out an invitation. The board will send him additional contact information for special businesses or individuals who are not on our normal distribution list.

For the annual meeting, Helen will draft an email including the list of our accomplishments that will be posted on the website. It was suggested that we have a brainstorming session at the annual meeting to help identify future projects. We discussed the need to provide additional lighting on the greenway near the ramp to the marina. It might be a good avenue for getting support from The Landing residents.

There is some confusion around RHGNA emails not being HOA emails. John David will include a paragraph clarifying information about the RHGNA which is on the website – "The RiverHill Gateway Neighborhood Association, established in 2016, is one of Knoxville's newest neighborhood organizations, located on the south end of downtown. The association consists of residents from Promontory Point Condos, Riverside Condos, Volunteer Landing Marina, and the Landings; the four major non-profit organizations along East Hill Avenue (Blount Mansion, Legacy Parks Foundation, James White's Fort and the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame) and other businesses such as

Gardens – it was emphasized that they belong to everyone, not just a few. The goal to put perennial trees and flowers has been successful. This minimizes maintenance.

Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Hotel Knoxville, Volunteer Marina, and Billy Lush Board Shop."

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Curry Secretary, RiverHill Gateway Neighborhood Association