MINUTES St. Gregory’s Neighborhood Association (SGNA)

September 12, 2019 Monthly Board Meeting - Kay Abramsohn, Secretary

Meeting convened at 7:00 pm at the home of Clint and Lainey Colantro. Our thanks again for opening your home to the SGNA meeting.

**Present:** Bob Wieser, Evelyn Billings, Kay Abramsohn, Clint and Lainey Colantro, Kristy Osgood, Jonathan Wade, Joey Hallatt, Peter Bond, Lee-Ann and Mark Berumen.

**Treasurer’s Report**. Received the BWG 19-20 funds. Evelyn has put the allocated $3,000 toward the APS account. She personally paid the $352.xx August billing as it came due before the BWG funds arrived in the BWG/BofA checking account. SGNA Board voted to have reimbursement to Evelyn. APS account now has a credit balance from which the APS bills will be paid; the recycling money will be put on the APS account.

We have not had any other expenses; still need to pay some Board members for their purchases for Ice Cream Social and Pancake Breakfast items as soon as we get the new bank account.

**The ongoing and seeming unresolvable Wells Fargo account drama was reported on. SGNA Board voted to make a clean start with a new account at the credit union. Both Evelyn and Kay bank at OneAz (formerly Az State Credit Union), so they will proceed to open an SGNA business account there. Treasurer Evelyn and Secretary Kay will be the signatories. Use the recycling money not deposited into the WF account to open the new account.**

**Website:** New Administrator Lainey reported on progress and working with GoDaddy to make improvements. Also, former Administrator is unhappy and may be trying to obtain access to the website; GoDaddy has been informed and will retain security against unauthorized access.

Lainey has added the ability to do a N’hood email blast. She will get the email addresses from Evelyn. We will add a “store” so neighbors can purchase items (t-shirts) and make donations as soon as we have a new bank account to link to.

We have had over 500 viewers on the website and the site gathers email addresses so we can reach out to them.

We also have a Facebook page!!! St. Gregory Neighborhood

**BWG 2019-2020**: FUNDS are in. We have some purchases to make. APS paid.

Next is the next 90 homes street addresses. Bob will contact the painter and have that area in the N’hood done: 18th to 16th Indianola and Fairmount – both sides of street; from 16th on Fairmount to the Curve- both side of street; 16th to 15th Amelia – both sides of the street.

If we have some ideas for reallocations, let’s talk about then in coordination with our preparation for the next grant. BWG 2020-2021 application will be due in December 2019.

**Neighborhood Patrol.** Annette not going out as much. Peter and Joey are going to try for more dates. The next training is Saturday the 14th. We do have money allocated for mileage in the BWG19-20.

**ALLEY LIGHT** fundraising: keep the bottles and cans coming. Change in location that Kay takes recycling to - now at 23rd Ave and IS (behind that little store on the NW corner that is not open anymore). They pay a little bit more, so hopefully that will raise our take-home. They are open essentially 8:30- to 3:00 M-Sat.

Alley Light complaints: Lee-Ann and Mark really want that light back on or to have one on the pole behind their home. We discussed the cost of SGNA adding a light to a new pole ($1500.00) versus the possible efforts to have any “resident” ask to have one put in and agree to pay for it – around $17.50 a month? (and then later have it switched to our SGNA contracts - 10 yr. commitment). Also, Lee-Ann and Mark will reach out to City Councilwoman Laura Pastor to see about any influence her office may be able to give us.

**Block Party: will be October 26, 2019. At the CURVE. Last year’s lay-out will be used again. Kay vol. to be cashier; Joey, Clint and Jonathan vol. to be CHEFS.**

**Bob will get petition to close the street and Clint and Lainey will get neighbors’ signatures.**

**Bob to check with Lisa on port-potties.**

**Bob to check with DJ Pat regarding music.** We have heard he’s not doing well healthwise.

Lainey has already lined up, or working on, some booth participants: City Recycling; Fire Dept, APS, SW Gas.

We want a bouncy, kids games, and face painting (Peter). Hopefully can get Kid volunteers. **Kay to contact Theresa Nickolich at Osborn schools.**

Jim Walden’s lights are not avail that weekend. So, we will need to rent light poles and find **generators**. Mark has a generator that may be available; Russ (on Fairmount) no longer has generators available. Clint has one. Jonathan has one. The SGNA generator??

**Pop-up tents**: SGNA has two, Mark/Lee-Ann have 1, others may be available. We can string lights in them like Jim did last year. Checking into LED light-string purchases,

**Tables**: 5 more rounds and 4 more rectangles than we had last year. We will use the lanterns we have and Evelyn has more of theirs that we can borrow.

**FOOD/BEER**: 6 cases hamburgers, 4 cases hot dogs [Howard obtains thru Sterling]. Double or Triple the ice cream for food truck - up to 15 gallons (we ran out so fast last year) [Lee-Ann]. Ice 15 bags at Costco [Lee-Ann].

**Joey and Peter**, rest of extras, like buns, chips etc. **Kay** to do lettuce, tomatoes and onions. **Condiments?**

**Beer: two ¼ kegs: Modelo, Coors.** Jonathan/Kirsty may have a connection for beer.

Flyers: Large Postcard (to drop week of 8th) and one Flyer to deliver wkd of 14th.

Lee-Ann to take “Fairmount” Flyer route from Evelyn.

Joey to make copies; Bob to give Joey the Flyer list (with amount for each route).

SGNA T-shirts to sell: order 45 more in charcoal with white lettering.

**OCTOBER 5th is GAIN kick-off event at Christown Spectrum mall. Lainey has registered all Bd members to go - looking for freebies to use.**

**BLOCK PARTY PLANNING MEETING:: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**OTHER:**

Bob will attend a meeting with other neighborhoods- Circle K wants to revitalize the NW corner of 15th/Indian School, perhaps like they did at 7th St. and Roosevelt. They have no specific plans yet, just seeking neighborhood comments.

Parking. When it received complaints, City is issuing tickets to cars parked in the traffic-opposite direction for City code violation.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: October 10th, 2019. 7 pm. Clint and Lainey’s home.**