



**General Membership Meeting - January 18th, 2022, 7pm - St. Paul's Lutheran**  
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**I. Call to Order**

**II. Introduction to Board Members :** President- Ellie Baggett, Vice President- Trevor Quinlan, Treasurer- Jason Marlow, Secretary- Jannate Noll, Trustees- Beverly Morrow, Courtney Bumgarner, Becca Rosenthal, Irene Matthews, Rob Blakley, Sylvia Vanacore

Message from President: I would like to thank all of these board members who have volunteered their time to make our neighborhood better. While the board is the administrative body for the neighborhood, I ask that everyone here consider getting involved in some small way. We all have jobs or responsibilities and cannot do everything ourselves. For a neighborhood to be successful, it takes the neighborhood as a whole to get involved and buy in to what we are trying to do. Many hands make light work. For example, a neighbor recently emailed the association in regards to people in Giddens Dog Park late at night making noise and leaving trash. This neighbor worked with us and assisted in following up with TPD. We were able to get a trash can installed, as well as get the dog park locked at night. This was possible because we had a neighbor willing to alert us to the issue, assist us in reaching out. This is your neighborhood too- I strongly ask you to get involved in a small way to make this a better place to live for all of us. Tonight you'll hear about a few opportunities to get involved, and I challenge you to consider being part of the action and helping us make this the best place to live

**III. Treasury Report** - Please remember to pay your 2022 dues (\$12) at [www.SEseminoleheights.com](http://www.SEseminoleheights.com) via PayPal, or you can mail a check to the association at the address on the agenda and at bottom of the page. As a reminder, all paid members can rent equipment from the association for free and will receive email notifications with updates in the neighborhood. By paying dues in January or February, paid members are entitled to early access to Taste tickets.

**IV. Committee Reports**

- a. Social Committee update, Courtney- Crib Crawl has been delayed due to Omicron. We hope to reschedule soon.
- b. Traffic Committee, Jason
  - 1. Working on stop signs for Chelsea and 10<sup>th</sup>, Chelsea and 13<sup>th</sup>, 12th and Ellicott and 12<sup>th</sup>
  - 2. 275 Interstate construction artwork on Chelsea and Osborne (murals and anti homeless barriers)

**V. Discussion: New proposed committees -**

Welcome Wagon Committee: We have had a gracious offer from Beverly Goddies to help with a welcome wagon committee, but we need more help. We are looking for people to help collect items from businesses to include in the bags, help assemble, and help deliver.

- In goody bag: Mail, recent newsletter, coupons from neighborhood establishments/business
- Need volunteers to target businesses to provide materials for the bags

- If interested helping, post in Southeast volunteer facebook page or email association

· Newsletter update from Courtney:

- Need help creating content (writing articles, crossword puzzles, wordsearch)
- Need help selling ads - the newsletter is expensive to print and mail so more advertisements to help with cost. If interested in helping, post on the Southeast Seminole Heights volunteer facebook page or email association.

VI. **SESHCA email list via MailChimp:** We previously had a mailing list. Unfortunately, there was an ability to REPLY ALL on that list. We will now have an email list via MailChimp. This gives the ability to get updates on the neighborhood, and most importantly- gives you the ability to unsubscribe. Anyone who pays dues will be automatically enrolled, as well as anyone who signs up at our meetings. You may also email the association to be added- our email is on the website at the top of the agenda, as well as the footer on the agenda. If there's something that relates to the entire neighborhood you would like added, please email the association and the board will review it for inclusion. Again, if it gets too much, go ahead and unsubscribe.

VII. **Current Issues:**

· **Giddens Park**— we've gotten reports of boatloads of trash at Giddens Park, as well as criminal activity- the board has been in contact with our TPD liaison who has indicated TPD has increased their presence in the area. Please keep in mind this park is for everyone- it's for all neighbors to enjoy and play in. That being said, if you see clear illegal activity, please call TPD. If it's something that does not need immediate attention, call non-emergency- the number is at the bottom of this agenda. If you or someone else feel endangered, call 911. For those of you who attended our annual Halloween event, Giddens and Ghouls, you may have noticed there was a lot of trash on the ground, as well as poorly kept bathrooms and broken lighting. The trash cans were overflowing and hadn't been emptied in a while. We were able to contact the city to have the trash picked up, cans regularly emptied, and lighting in the pavilion repaired. We're asking the neighbors to help us keep up with this. If you're at the park and you see the trash building up again, please reach out and let us know, so we can contact Parks and Rec and solid waste for assistance. Giddens Park is a treasure for this neighborhood, and we want everyone to enjoy using this beautiful space. If you see an issue, just let us know, we have the contacts and can get it done.

· **Southeast Seminole Heights Flooding Relief Project** - The updates we've received are as follows: Construction has rearranged its construction schedule to focus on Central Avenue south of Hillsborough, Crest Avenue and the Hillsborough River outfall. The revised schedule means crews will be working on East Hanna Avenue near Seminole Heights Elementary School in spring of 2023 instead of 2022. This will help the project team reduce impacts to the neighborhoods where crews are currently working, particularly near Hillsborough High School. Construction on Central Avenue is exacerbating traffic congestion near the high school which is impeding residents' access to homes. This schedule change will help us complete work on Central before the start of the next school year, barring unforeseen conditions. Work will begin on or about Jan. 24, 2022, to install a stormwater pipe under I-275 from North Taliaferro Avenue west to Caracas Street. This work continues through April, barring unforeseen conditions. The pipeline will be installed under I-275 by microtunnel, a trenchless construction technique. Crews will work from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday until tunneling is complete. Crews will install the 72-inch diameter stormwater pipeline on Caracas as the tunnel operation is completed. Residents should expect to hear construction noise and possibly feel some vibration during tunneling and pipeline installation. Taliaferro north of Ellicott and south of Wilder will be closed until the project is completed.

VIII. **City of Tampa Neighborhood Grants**- the City of Tampa regularly has grants where they award neighborhoods who submit ideas and supports for those ideas. The awards can be up to \$5,000. We've had some great suggestions on how this money could be used, particularly a wonderful suggestion from neighbor Michael about getting sun shades installed at the splash pad. In order to do this, we will have to update our Federal Tax Exempt Status. Trevor speaks about Federal Tax process. As a NFP organization we want to ensure federal tax up to date especially if accepting grants.

IX. **Update to Good Neighbor Announcements**

- a. Will be announced via Facebook, NextDoor, website, and email list
- b. We currently have two notices that are the most significant: 1108-1109 E Osborne Ave, for which we have the developers here tonight to talk about the project.
- c. The second is 810 E Ida St; The lot backs up to the advance auto store on MLK at Nebraska, with the great bbq place in the parking lot. It's called Alana Flats. There are 8 proposed units of multi-family attached housing (townhouse), 3 bed/ 2.5 baths, 2 parking spaces per unit built by Showtime Construction. The rendering shows a driveway in the center, and 4 townhouses on either side. We're working on getting the developer to schedule a meeting with the neighborhood to discuss further, so please follow the Facebook page and the emails for updates.

X. **Taste of the Heights - November 6, 2022**

Taste of the Heights is the main fundraiser for SESHCA. We will be having a volunteer committee. We ask for 2 hours of time in exchange for a free all-access ticket worth \$55. We will be announcing information on the taste Volunteer committee at our July 19th meeting! By paying dues in January or February, paid members are entitled to early access to Taste tickets.

XI. **Announcements**

- a. Borrowing equipment from the association; folding tables, chairs, etc. Pay a \$50 deposit and get it back upon the return of the items. Email the association to reserve items in advance.
- b. General Meeting dates: April 19, July 19, October 18 [Eating Meeting]
- c. Taste of the Heights : Sunday, November 6 (always held on the first Sunday of Nov)
- d. TPD announcements – Snipe signs; they can be removed from public property.

XII. **Resident Forum (1 minute per association member)**

- Giddens Dog Park- need for more sod/ mulch. Association will reach out to the City of Tampa Parks and Rec team about improving the dog park lot, which is full of dirt.
- Resident inquired on cost of dues. Dues are \$12 and decrease based on month when paid.
- Resident inquired about sidewalks on Taliaferro- will follow up with SESH Flooding Plan to see if sidewalks are to be installed.

XIII. **Presentation from Onyx & East; re: development at 1108-1109 E Osborne Ave.** We'd like to thank the developers for attending and presenting plans, and for taking questions from residents. This is the first presentation, but developer expects there will be more presentations for neighbors to give feedback. The following are bullet-point notes based on the presentation by the developer:

- Above typical standard suburban price and below custom builder pricing
- Like to be walking distance to things
- Blend architect to neighborhood and do a twist
- 1102 E Curtis St. (church and parking across)
- Currently working on rezoning - There is a hearing at City Council on May 12<sup>th</sup> 2022
- 2.71 acres, 48
- Single homes facing Nebraska, detached garages
- Front door have to face streets
- Quarter acre – courtyard
- 2 car garages and 13 guest spots
- Land development 4Q 2022, sales Q2 2023, and construction Q2 2023
- 15/50 and 20/20 – 2 car garage
- Aesthetics/traffic discussion on May 12<sup>th</sup>
- Homes will be 10ft back on 12<sup>th</sup> street
- 10 ft back we have porches and then the house, your houses start at 10ft and we would be open for 3 stories not 4.
- No rentals, all for sale
- Add'l 201 south Armenia, Oak avenue in tampa heights, midtown and cypress street
- 2 single family homes – parking lot across street
- 2 grand oaks and preserve 2 trees (what is coming in to replace going out)

**Announcement from association: Should neighbors wish to voice opinions on this development, we strongly recommend you are in attendance at the City Council meeting on May 12, 2022.**

XIII. **Motion to Adjourn**, 8:54pm: Made by Courtney Bumgarner, 2nd by Rob Blakely.