

Fall Membership Minutes of
The Woodley Park Community Association
October 26, 2016 7PM Stanford

President Brusoe gaveled the meeting to order at 7PM. He reported that the sign in table had certified a quorum. He thanked everyone for attending and overviewed the agenda for the meeting.

Brusoe introduced Kelli from Mary Cheh's Office, ANC Commissioner Reba, ANC Commissioner Bole, National Zoo Director Kelly.

Brusoe shared that the minutes had been posted of our last general and special meetings to the website and asked if there were any corrections. He called for a motion to approve them, Barbara loanes moved, Bill Kummings seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Brusoe requested that Treasurer Gasper Martinez present his treasurer's report. Gasper shared. (Fill this in).

Brusoe called on Vice President Barbara loanes for an update on the call box project. Barbara reported that the work on all call boxes has been completed and that Gelberg Signs would submit a final bill. She thanked those who contributed to the project.

Brusoe then called up MPD for an overview of the crime stats. Crime is down 33% in the neighborhood. Commander Gresham also shared that there is no truth to the rumor that the PSAs were going to be dissolved.

Brusoe then moved on to the discussion of the historic preservation guidelines. Brusoe reported that they had been hand delivered to houses in the historic district and that comments were asked for. He asked for a motion to approve the historic guidelines. Barbara loanes moved, and Bill Kummings seconded. Brusoe called the vote, the proposal passed unanimously.

Brusoe then moved into elections.

The nominating committee reported the following list of candidates:

Carolyn Abbey-President

Jeff Myers-VP

Warren Gorlick-Secretary

Gasper Martinez-Treasurer

At large: Barbara loanes for a two-year term

Melissa Maxman for a two-year term

Mark Jacobson for a two year term

Katie McFarlane for the balance of the term of a member who resigned

Brusoe asked for nominations from the floor three times, there being none, he called for a unanimous ballot to elect the list. It was moved by Barbara Ioanes seconded by Roxanne Sismanidis. Brusoe congratulated the new officers and thanked Jessica Wasserman and the nominating committee for their work.

Brusoe presented a number of president's awards for service to the association.

While waiting for the mayor a conversation occurred around the stop sign at Hawthorne street. It was proposed that rather than always cover the stop sign, have a covered stop sign when there is a traffic control officer in place, and when the TCO left, uncover the stop sign.

The mayor arrived.

JBG Development Task Force Chair Jeff Myers shared his report. (Jeff Please fill in)

The Mayor had a robust 45 minute conversation with the community. She took questions, which focused predominantly on the JBG proposal to develop the Marriott Wardman Park site. The membership made clear their concerns, which included loss of green space, traffic congestion/safety, impact on housing affordability, impact on grading/drainage, and the need for school, grocery, metro expansion to accommodate. There was a robust back and forth on these issues, including technical zoning requirements and the PUD process. The Mayor's Office of Planning Director Eric Shaw and others on the OP team were present and engaged in the dialogue as well. The Mayor ended by reminding everyone that the issue of DC Statehood would be on the November ballot and she encouraged everyone to vote "yes".

Brusoe thanked the mayor for coming and taking the team to meet with the community.

The Mayor left the meeting.

There was a question asked about parking at the zoo.

Director Kelly shared that parking has often been discussed, and that there may be changes increasing including building vertically on parking garages, there would need to be some conversations with the community and the neighborhood.

Brusoe asked if there was anything else to come before the group.

Neighbor Peter Choharis moved that the body reconsider its previous motion to approve the historic guidelines. A motion to reconsider requires two thirds of those present voting in the affirmative. The motion was seconded, 17 people voted in favor of the motion, at least 18 people voted against the motion, there not being even a majority of those in favor the motion failed.

Jeff Myers, the newly elected Vice President, shared some of the ideas that he had for the community.

President Carolyn Abbey thanked the community for her election and talked about ideas she had for moving the community forward.

She entertained a motion to adjourn, and it was moved and approved.

The meeting ended at 8:36PM