

**WPCA Executive Committee Informal Meeting
Meeting Notes
June 9, 2020**

Committee Members Present (by videoconference arrangement):

Peter Brusoe
John Goodman
Warren Gorlick
Barbara Ioanes
Katie MacFarlane
Melissa Maxman
Jeff Myers
Courtney Tolbert
Stephanie Zobay

It was agreed that this meeting would not have the status of a formal Board meeting, because it was not possible to share the meeting link with the membership in order to meet the required notice of the meeting. Nonetheless, it was agreed to hold an informal meeting, go through the agenda items and take notes of what was discussed.

It was also agreed that Stephanie would investigate whether she has a Zoom account she can share. If not, the WPCA will consider purchasing an account on Zoom or similar service. Warren agreed to host future meetings on whatever platform is agreed to in his capacity as Secretary.

1. Agree to agenda – No objection to the agenda but not approved as not a formal meeting.

2. Approve Minutes – Deferred. No one had any questions, but not approved as not a formal meeting.

3 Accept Treasury Report – Deferred. No one had any questions, but not accepted as this was not a formal meeting.

4. Old Business:

- Marilyn Mural (Barbara) – Barbara discussed preparations to update the mural, including the fact that permission to put scaffolding up has been obtained. The next step is for WPMS to select an artist to undertake the actual work.

- Call Box Update (Barbara) – Barbara reported that the call box work has been completed, and was high quality work. There were twelve donors altogether, five of whom were from the Board. In general, Barbara reported that the project was viewed as a great success. On behalf of the Board, Courtney congratulated and thanked Barbara and Judy.

- Picnic Update (Jeff) – Jeff reported that David Ensign is likely willing to take the lead in organizing a picnic. However, given uncertainty about the Covid-19 situation, no date will be set at this point, and this year's picnic may be canceled. However, no decision needs to be made at this time. Another concern is if the picnic gets pushed too far into the fall it may conflict with the holiday party.

- Holiday Party update (Katie) – Deferred. Katie may have an update on the Kennedy-Warren. Jeff is available to assist in reaching out to other possible venues if needed, and will follow up with Katie to see what other progress has been made.

- Website Update (Katie) – Deferred.

- Socials – Jeff asked if other social events should be planned, particularly an outdoor event where people would bring their own food and beverages. Stephanie will check on the possibility of using the Maret front lawn for an outdoor event.

- Update on businesses in the community (Jeff): Jeff sent out an update last week on which restaurants were open etc.

5. Reminder: “Meet Your Neighbor Night” June 10, 2020 – Courtney thanked Jeff on behalf of the Board for organizing the meet your neighbors night. Jeff noted that he has not asked for RSVPs, so he doesn’t know how many neighbors will show up. CM Cheh will speak from 7pm-7:15pm and then take questions.

6. New Business:

Neighborhood impact of vandalism – None reported.

- Moving to Phase II reopening – Carolyn reported that there is no set date for Phase II, but there is a possibility that this will occur in late June. Phase II would mean increased availability of testing with test results in 24 hours, tracing in 48 hours, and an overall decreasing number of new cases. Phase II will permit office occupancy at 25% of normal capacity, but many offices are contemplating a slower return to normal working conditions. A concern was brought up that a shift in the Ward 8 COVID testing site led to a decrease in the number of tests and accessibility of the tests. It was shared that GWU hospital is still doing tests.

- Library Updates – Stephanie reported that Cleveland Park Library is one of eight libraries that is available for pick up and drop off services. Warren also shared that you can send your printing there. A concern was raised that while it is nice that Cleveland Park Library was open, the metro station there is not making it difficult for other people to access it who do not have cars or do not live in the area.

- Zoo updates – Carolyn reported on a recent Zoo incident, but it appears to have been one random and isolated incident, rather than a pattern of misconduct.

- Charitable Project Proposal by Peter and Melissa – Peter and Melissa shared their proposal that given the economic downturn and increase in demand on social services that WPCA could do something to help. They outlined various options to the Board. The Board had various views on a possible initiative for charitable giving. It was agreed that the WPCA would not provide donations to individual community members. Some, but not all, of the Board believe it would be feasible to provide donations to specific charitable organizations who have an impact on Woodley Park neighbors. It was also agreed that any donation should not go to an organization that employs a board member. Melissa will draft a proposal to be considered at a future Board meeting.

7. Updates from Mayor/Council/ANC – Deferred.

8. Good of the order – Meeting closed at 9:02pm.