



CENTRAL GARDENS ASSOCIATION
January Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Present: Carla Balch, Sarah Blackburn, Kaleb Brown, Tara Burton, Mark Fleischer, Leslie Goodwin, Eddie Hutchison, Leigh Martin, Patrick Munson, Sheila Noone, Peter Pace, Margot Payne, Cynthia Saatkamp, Sharon Shipley, Barrie Simpson, Barbara Sysak, Jenna Thompson, Amy Worrell Sterling

Absent: Ginger Collier, Michael Christoff, Debi Havner, Charles Lawing, Jana Larson, Anne McCarthy, Philip Pontius, Dan Reid

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm.

Approval of Minutes: January Minutes approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: No update tonight, but membership has not yet kicked off so we should receive a full update next meeting.

Pillar Reports:

Green Spaces & infrastructure: Peter Pace

- Wreaths: All wreaths have been organized and are stored for the year, including a couple of additional wreaths we will store as well. Peter offered a big thanks for all who helped.
- Sidewalks: Ned Dannenberg has done a great job. He is working with some commercial businesses whose sidewalks have been torn up, but some of them might have been affected by MLGW. People need to tell Ned if they need theirs done.
- Alleys: Been very muddy this month, so not a lot of progress was made. We are working on organizing an Alley Crawl, which could be a fun way to get people interested. We did a security survey, and one point that came up was that people still don't understand that Rozelle is not an alley.
- Medians: The trees on Belvedere have already been planted. York is looking good.
- Cleveland: No update. The Domas' did their own sidewalks, and got together with neighbors to plant flowers, which helps to make Cleveland look better. We need the city to help reinforce the structural integrity of the brickwork.

Community Relationships: Leslie Goodwin

- Annual Meeting: Planning is going well. Sarah, Carla and Cynthia will work together, with assistance from Nancy and Barrie. We want to do the pre-party with the President's Circle members and new members.

- Home Tour: No update yet; no confirmed houses, but some leads.

Midtown Relationships: Mark Fleischer

- Alleys: Aaron Klimek has led the planning of the Alley Crawl, with Sharon Shipley. April 27 is the first date. We will target one alley to share some history, clean up and basic stats about who is responsible for alleys, etc.
- Walgreens: the Walgreens at Union and McLean have asked us to review their plans for their exterior improvements on how to plan their landscaping, which will include the sidewalks and reconfiguring the parking lot. This will be over the next six months.
- Union Ave: Bikepedmemphis.org: has submitted a proposal for the area from Marshall to Manassas (on Union from Sun Studio to the Health Sciences Park). If successful, this project could serve as a model for changes for changes all the way to Union and Poplar. I've been discussing this with Steven Edwards with the city about this, as well as things like fixing driveways, to make the area more pedestrian. There might even be a median down Union through midtown. This could be the next year or two.
- Memphis 3.0: We have until February 6 to provide more feedback. The zoning proposals may be troubling to some of us. We have been discussing with John Whitehead. More information is available on their Facebook page – Memphis3point0.
- Barksdale Mounted Police Station on Barksdale has been purchased, and they are seeking historic tax credits. It could be added to the Central Gardens footprint to register as historic, non-residential. It will be restored and renovated.
- Margot Payne will be taking over as Pillar Lead for Midtown Relationships. She is in a great position to connect with midtown groups.
- Peabody paving: Still planned to be completed, but there is work being done on the pipeline.

Membership: Barrie Simpson

Pre-party at the Annual Meeting. We would like to honor the 60 odd people who give at the Presidents Circle level and really make a big deal of them.

Security: Sharon Shipley

There is always a lot of talk about getting the second Phelps truck. We had a lot of traction in the fall, then we lost a few people. Could we come up with a way for neighbors to contribute more? When we get new members, we can share their names with Phelps.

No new business; meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.