ARLINGTON PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC. ("APNA, Inc.) JOINT MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021, 7:00 P.M. - LOCATION: 2123 Hillview Street, Sarasota, FL

Board Members and Officers Present: Dan Clermont, Director and President; Deanna Dawdle, Director and Vice President; Elaine Silver, Director and Treasurer; Terry Langlois, Director; Mary Pryce, Director.

Also attending were the newly elected Directors of the November election, to wit: Flo Entler, Barbara Justiz, and Michael James.

Absent: Julia Clark, Secretary and Director and Aimee Barnes, Director.

Meeting was called to order 7:09 P.M.

Mary Pryce was requested to take minutes of the meeting in the Secretary's absence.

Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting.

Meeting minutes of the November Board/Officers Meeting were presented for approval and unanimously approved.

New Business.

1. A. **Election of 2022 Officers**. After discussion by those present, the following slate of officers for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, we elected upon motion by Mary Pryce, and seconded by Elaine Silver:

Officers January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022

President:

Dan Clermont

Vice President:

DeAnna Dowdle

Secretary:

Julia Clark

Assistant Secretary:

Barbara Justiz

Treasurer:

Flo Entler

Assistant Treasurer:

Mary Pryce.

1.B. **Bank Account**: The newly elected Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer will need to be added, with the President, to the APNA, Inc. bank account. Elaine Silver and Dan Clermont will both accompany Flo and Mary on or after January 2, 2022, if not sooner.

- 2. **County Grant**. Dan next discussed the opportunity and timing for a County of Sarasota Grant. The County grant is up to \$10,000 with a dollar for dollar matching contribution required by APNA, Inc., be it money, labor, etc. Timing is important to qualify. The first date to be aware of is December to express APNA, Inc.'s "intent to apply", followed by training by one or more directors/officers, followed by an application. Discussed was an interest in grant funds for the School/Waldemer triangle City right- a-way, and potential for other purposes to improve Arlington Park. Discussed were palm trees to avoid obstruction to children/pedestrians, bicycles, autos, etc. and a potential bench. Dan will move forward with communication to the County of APNA, Inc.'s intent to apply for a grant. Current Grant Committee members are Dan Clermont and Aimee Barnes, and other Board Members were asked to consider joining the Grant Committee.
- 3. **City Grant**. Dan next discussed the City Grant with only approximately 17 of 31 neighborhoods receiving a City grant. The recently approved APNA, Inc., City Grant has been partially used for a new sign on Hyde Park, with the remaining approved balance to be used for items, such as early 2022 mailers to approximately 1700 APNA, Inc., Members, etc. Terry indicated he has old yard signs at his home, and DeAnna reminded the Board the information on those signs are obsolete and can be trashed or recycled. It was recommended new yard signs would need to be ordered to alert Members of how to access the APNA, Inc.'s web-site and/or 2022 meetings, etc.
- 4. **Tuttle-Bahia Vista Apartment**. The proposed apartments at Tuttle-Bahia Vista was discussed. It is believed the process may be before the City Planning Board in March, 2022 due to a reapplication. The matter is now believed to be before DRC (Development Review Committee) for utilities, fire, engineering, and high volume traffic to meet the end of January. DeAnna as VP and Board of Director (or other board Member(s) are taking the lead on the Tuttle-Bahia Vista Apartment proposal to substitute for Dan who may have a conflict being on Planning.
- 5. **Floyd Street Majestic Oak**. Mary Pryce had emailed a picture showing the majesty of the Oak on Floyd off Shade Street. The Board expressed its concern for a potential loss of this beautiful and environmentally significant tree in our neighborhood. Flo will continue to contact the City. It was proposed a possible purchase by the County would be available, and Elaine distributed a County form. Other possible contacts for preservation expressed by the Board members were for the Conservation Foundation, Audubon Society, and a quick private buyer to preserve the lots and allow time for the County or City to repurchase it for preservation. Public awareness of the property being listed and threat to the Majestic Elaine volunteered her music skill for preservation efforts. It was suggested possible Television news coverage, newspaper, education of Members, a music even possible across the street from the Oak, and other options to be discussed by the Committee. Volunteers for the Save the Majestic Oak were Dan, Terry, Barbara, Flo, Michael, Elaine, DeAnna, and Mary.
- 6. **East Avenue Overgrowth and Trash**. Dan next discussed the East Avenue landscape overgrowth, trash, and broken ornamental light fixtures pointed out by Mary to him. Mary indicated she has been walking the area and there are beer cans/glass bottles, and other trash blighting the area around the upgraded island on East Avenue by Prospect and Floyd by the Rehab building, etc. There are beautiful ornamental lights that are covered by trees, with some glass globes broken and some lights not turning on. Money was spent in upgrading the area at one time, but it appears the City is not caring for the lights, trees/landscaping, trash cleanup, etc. Flo volunteered to walk the area with Mary and then both to contact the City.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned after 8:11 P.M. The next Board/Officers meeting Thursday, January 13, 2022 (second Thursday of month) at 7:00 P.M.

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Mary Pryce, assistant to Secretary	

CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

We do certify that the above Minutes of Arlington Park Neighborhood Association, Inc., were approved by the Arlington Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.'s Board of Directors.

ARLINGTON PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.		
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Dan Clermont, President		