**Linwood Community Council**

DRAFT General Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2023

**Opening**

The regular meeting of the Linwood Community Council was called to order by President, TJ Russo at 7:00 P.M. on Feb. 28, 2023 with some attending in-person, and others via ZOOM conference meeting.

**Present:**

Eight (8) Council members, one (1) resident, and two (2) guests were present. Refer to the meeting sign-in sheet, attached.

**Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the last meeting, January 24, 2023, were previously transmitted by Sec. N. Johns; there was a call to read them aloud; then a motion was made by E. Stoehr and seconded by T. Newcomb, to accept the minutes as transmitted.

**President’s Report**

No report this month.

**Treasurer’s Report**

M. Wagner stated that our balance on hand is $19,760.90 and a refund was paid to NSP of $1,022.69. A refund of the balance remaining, $8,199.92, of the NAF grant for Federal COVID relief funds will be returned . A motion was made by N. Johns, and seconded by E. Stoehr to accept the report as given.

**City Services Speakers**

*CPD District 2*: Officer Al Brown reported that there was one “theft from auto” in Linwood in the past month. He had no report of an explosion of a stolen car on fire at around 10PM in Linwood Park on Feb. 15th.

TJ Russo will follow up with him to get more information.

*CFD*: No report this month.

*CRC:* Bryan Servizzi was present and said golf, pickleball, and tennis will resume soon on nicer days. He said he has been monitoring a homeless encampment in the area. E. Stoehr mentioned one behind the buses [school buses off of Beechmont Circle? or in the area of Greenwood?]. A visiting resident, J. Coyne mentioned another one near the bike trail.

**Guest Speakers**

 **None this month**

**Committee Reports:**

* **Safety:**

Re: Pedestrian safety E. Stoehr mentioned that Mt. Lookout was considering bump outs and that Hyde Park suggested pooling resources for safety in the East End.

* **Beautification:**

M. Sallee reported that concrete planters are at the pedestrian bridge to Hutton St. She is planning a cleanup event for April 15th. She and E. Stoehr met with Grasshopper Landscaping and the red bud trees will be planted near the old train station where the Flying Pig passes through. She is also working on contacting the owners of the old Linwood school to persuade them to clean up the property which has been unkempt for quite awhile.

M. Wagner confirmed that we are signed up for the KCB litter project.

* **Communications:** No report this month

**\*Email list**:

**\*Website:**

* **Events:** No report this month

* **Membership Committee:** Nothing to report. Please be reminded that our Membership form can be downloaded from our website: <https://www.linwoodcc.com/contact>
* **Zoning**

***NEW:*** The Council was contacted by CIG Communities: Property Development and Management to discuss their interest in purchasing the building where the defunct Wine Cellar Innovations was at 4575 Eastern Ave. They have no plans available for review at this time, but wanted to introduce themselves. Rather than just the Zoning Committee, a motion was made by N. Johns and seconded by M. Sallee, for them to speak to LCC Officers and Trustees, and at the suggestion of M.Wagner, two business owners near that address. A date will be set.

**\*MtLCC-Linwood CAG:** No update.

**\*Bloor Ave project:** No update.

**\*IIN/EGD subcommittee:** No update.

* **AIG/NSP:** Our NSP funding is approved as of Feb. 21st, and the contract executed. We can begin spending for our projects. Marlene, offered a suggestion that we consider “bottom up” budgeting practices.
* **Old Business:**

\*Linwood banner placement: as per last month, the signs are at the manufacturer and ready for hanging. TJ Russo reported that he’s working on a placement map.

* **New Business:**

None

* **Open Forum**:

T. Newcomb was interested in knowing who owns “The Tot Lot” near the Faith Tabernacle on Eastern Ave. He says the church might be interested in buying it for its own use. It is a City owned property, we believe. T. Newcomb will follow up. Brief discussion of how to utilize our Linwood pocket parks (Linwood Park, especially).

* The meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM

Submitted by

Nina Johns

Secretary