

Thursday, April 20, 2023

TTUNIT Neighborhood Association General Meeting, Forrest Heights Methodist Church

Minutes recorded by Keely Williams

Call to order at 6:00pm

Officers present; Cyndi Pratas, Melissa Grimes, Laura James

President Report - Cyndi Pratas

Thank Denise Pope for setting up. Thank you to the church and getting it ready. Four people going out on the board, Roni Allen, Laura James, Denise Pope, Chris Winn. Be sure to thank them for their service.

Minutes from the January 19, 2023 meeting will be accepted and filed.

Time Keeper introduced - Kelly Pratas

Goldbold update - Cleaning out asbestos. Zone changes we will talk about later.

Committee Reports

Treasurer - Laura James reports: See attached financials. Ended with \$35,815.24. A portion went into a CD for \$25,000 and a total of 4 checks have been written. Financials are posted on the back wall.

Nominating Committee - Ami Hill reports: Thanks to Melissa Grimes and Traci Smith for serving on the nominating committee. Thank you to those who served.

Nominations were proposed and accepted for the following:

Cyndi Pratas	President
Melissa Grimes	Vice-President
Steve Yandell	Treasurer
Keely Williams	Secretary
Jeff Lee	NE Quadrant Representative
Courtney Norton	NW Quadrant Representative
Cynthia Curry	SE Quadrant Representative
Traci Smith	SE Quadrant Representative
Neo McAdams	SW Quadrant Representative

Thank you to the following volunteers who have agreed to join or remain on the board:

Don Richards	Ad Hoc
Ann Howe	Beautification / Past President
Dennis Carrizales	City / University Relations
Vera Gomez	Communications
Carla Mahan	Events
Melissa Pridmore	Holiday Home Tour
Gary Mims	Safety

Beautification - Ann Howe reports on beautification. Recommendations: Trees were lost in the parks. A good time to put back the planting of trees on the north and south side of the park into action. Money will be supplied and the city will plant the trees. Work with the city and rec to make sure water is turned on at the parks. If anyone notices parks are not being watered, reach out and call parks and rec to make sure things are being watered. Next recommendation is for the pavilion to put barriers around to protect the kids. More members are needed on the beautification team. We need to work with the city and make sure it is doing right. Still working on the mural. Several individuals volunteered to be on the Yard of the Month.

Events - Carla Mahan reports there was a great turnout at the kite festival. Frios came and another was a no show. Middle school volunteers passed out kites and helped assemble them. Caprock Kites came and tried to get kites up, but the wind was not strong enough. Everyone had a great time. Next event is July 2 at Wagner Park. Looking for volunteers to help.

Holiday Home Tour - Melissa reports: Date is December 2, 2023. Five houses are on the tour and a total of 6 would be ideal. Addresses will be given out if requested. Volunteers will be needed at each house. Preview night is for volunteers only.

Guest Speakers:

Mark McBrayer discusses UDC (Unified Development Code) -

Electricity changeover is coming in August and will last 90 days and homeowners will be asked to choose a provider to bill and service. LP&L will be generating the power, but will not provide the service. There are several companies in the market and people will have to choose. There will be brokers to help those make decisions on what works best for your family. If you don't make a choice within 90 days your name will go in a "pot" and will not be able to choose on your own. A meeting will be May 1 at LCU at the Cardwell Welcome Center. More information will be at the meeting to help with making a choice.

UDC - Would like to give a clear understanding, but that is difficult. A consultant was chosen to help. The advantage of the code is that it is web based. You can click on a link to take you to what you are looking for. You can highlight terms to help with the definition. It is designed to be user friendly. Overall it will be a good change and the end result will be a better product. It will not affect residential as much as a mixed use business which is mostly downtown. It has more to do with what the building will look like, not the use of the business. Accessory dwelling units and carports are what will impact our district due to our district being currently built out. Other parts of Lubbock will see more changes. Building codes are not changing, only what could be permitted. Any council people can be emailed with concerns.

Guest Speaker - Sgt Steven Bergen - Service dog Justice was introduced. . He is in Community engagement and also goes to schools to talk about safety. Crime map was passed out. You

can also go to Lubbock Police and use the interactive maps to view crimes in our area. If you click the tab more information will be given on the crime.

Shooting on March 27 is an ongoing investigation. A call for a robbery was received on March 27, 2023 at 7:58 to check a subject. Arrived on scene and found a deceased individual. Two 16 year olds were robbing the victim. They are in custody and charged with murder of 51 year old Michael Stevens. Anti-gang center was involved. It is unknown at this time if the deceased was a resident of Tech Terrace.

The majority of crimes on the crime map are domestic assaults. Home burglary and vehicle thefts are very common. He stresses the importance of lighting and fencing. Most of the time thieves are checking door handles on the vehicles. How you set up your lighting matters. He offered his help to the neighborhood with placement of trees in the park when ready.

Questions were taken from attendees and answered.

New Business - Any action needed for UDC. Question was proposed if someone from ad hoc can attend the meeting on Tuesday.

Kelly Pratas moved to allow the Ad hoc committee to represent the neighborhood association where the UDC is concerned. The motion was seconded. The motion passed.

Announcements - April 27 meeting for the Congress of Neighborhood association and Historic Overton will meet on April 27 @ 6:00 to discuss UDC with Wilson Bowling.
Next General meeting is July 20th.

Door prizes given.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:58.