

MINUTES

West Hill Cambridge Council Board Meeting

December 14, 2021

Call or Order

The meeting was called to order by Mike Scuderi at 6:03 pm via Zoom; Jon Becker absent.

Minutes / Agenda

The Minutes from the October 26, 2021 Board meeting were approved as submitted.

Discussion on Continuance of Organization

In preparing for a new year, members questioned the status, leadership mechanics and relevance of the current neighborhood council and its efforts. Mike and Holly both are feeling the need to change gears in terms of commitment to the duty. After much contemplation, the board decided to:

- ✓ **Announce** that the council will go into abeyance until May (via website, Facebook, NextDoor and maybe a mailer);
- ✓ Contact the City to **seek advice** from the staff person in charge of neighborhood councils (Mike), and **let the City know of our plan**;
- ✓ **Work on membership** building though –
 - a) **contact via letter** those neighbors and/or regular attendees who display interest in the work of the Council and possess leadership type qualities, advising them of the current decision and encourage them to consider stepping up to participate (Holly)
 - b) continue to **post accomplishment vignettes and a video** by board members to run periodically – Lanae will write a script. We may **contact Dale Armstrong** to ask for technical assistance. The video may be entitled “Who Are We and What Have We Accomplished?”
 - c) find ways to communicate to the neighborhood: “Does Your Neighborhood Have a Voice?” – maybe some signage using the logo???
- ✓ The bank account will stay intact; **Crystal will continue to process grant information.**
- ✓ **Plan for a May 18, 2022 event at West Fenwick Park to jump start/reinvigorate neighbors.**
 - a) Crystal will **reserve the covered pavilion**
 - b) Mike will **ask Mayor Ralph to lead the festivities**

Budget

Crystal is continuing work on grants and will be supplied with expense receipts/paperwork (past and projected – real and in kind) from Lanae.

Communication

During this time of abeyance, we will continue to post positive information via the website, website newsletter announcements, Facetime and NextDoor. Signage use ideas????

Future Meetings and Dates

- Future general membership meeting dates include: May 18, July 27, NNO (August 12?), September 28, November 16
- Future Board meeting dates include: (February 22), April 26, June 28, August 23, October 25, December 13

Other

- Mike will contact the Public Works engineers to ask of the status of median lights at S 264th and the weird corner curb at S 270th and 40th Ave S – a hazard.
- Mike will also contact the Parks Department about the status of Glenn Nelson Park lights still being out.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.

Submitted by: _____
Holly Isaman

Attested by: _____