

2020.6.11 TRCA BOD meeting

Zoom - virtual meeting

Purpose: *Create a forum where issues impacting Tarpon River neighborhood in particular and the City of Fort Lauderdale in general may be discussed; where ways to improve the quality of life in the Neighborhood and the City may be agreed upon; and where appropriate action may be taken to implement what has been agreed upon.*

Mission: *To improve the quality of life in the Tarpon River Neighborhood and the City of Fort Lauderdale*

Welcome & general check in (brief on how you and family are doing)

Welcomed board – present: Allison Foster, Brucie Cummings, Janet Scrapper, Marie McLaughlin, David Rose, Mike Stone; associated board member: My Hien Domeika

Introduced new Associate Board member – My Hien Domeika

Officer's Report:

President:

Mobility plan update

Provided an update regarding prior email regarding District IV projects; projects were not new – but were identified previously in the Mobility Plan for Tarpon River; is continuing to follow up on projects that were identified to have been completed in 2019 which are not yet done; has involved Commissioner Sorensen.

Brucie Cummings brought up the sign on SW 5th Street that is missing the side on the front facing towards the city – she is going to check in with Parks Department about all of it to see if they have information regarding the missing sign; determine next steps and if needed will move around to the other side;

Personal update

Allison shared that she will be staying with her mom in the Clearwater area; asked for board's thoughts and if they would like her to step down or continue working virtually; indicated continue working virtually until issue comes up and will address as needed.

Treasurer:

Bank statements/ membership update

Membership – 94 members; Banking update: 1 check is still outstanding for Council of Civic Associations – has not deposited it yet; total for checking account \$6498.63; total for money market: \$25,882.36

Old Business:

May meeting minutes –Mike Stone made a motion to approve the May TRCA BOD minutes; seconded by Dave Rose; approved by all board members.

Covid-19 neighborhood needs/discussion – Commissioner Sorensen will be doing another zoom meeting regarding it; mentioned by TRCA BOD members the importance of continuing to follow social distance guidelines.

Whiddon Property, City of Fort Lauderdale Master Plan Codification discussions/votes: Allison Foster updated that from Ella Parker with Dept. of Urban Design and Sustainability the Whiddon Property is still not on any agendas or to be presented to Planning & Zoning Board; the Codification has not yet been added to a Commission Agenda as the Commission is not yet meeting in person – still meeting virtually. Board expressed continued desire to provide this information in advance to the community so they can participate in feedback.

Neighborhood membership mailing: Mike Stone is continuing to do research so that the TRCA BOD can do a neighborhood mailing regarding membership in the TRCA. Need to gather information regarding total number of individuals living in Tarpon River boundaries; presented several options of different types of mailing. Mike Stone will collect information and provide an update for the next meeting so TRCA BOD can vote on the Mike did research

regarding direct mail – including the cost of the mailing and the creation of the mailer. The goal is for the mailing to increase number of new members in the TRCA.

New Business:

Hurricane season – what materials can be provided electronically

Will send electronically all hurricane preparedness tools from TRCA – goal is week of 6/15/2020.

We are looking for block leaders – most important west of SW 4th Ave and north side of SW 7th St.

Marie McLaughlin will send information for newsletter regarding block leaders; will provided information needed to block leaders.

Newsletter – census information, voter information, reminders regarding hurricanes

Discussed the importance of the census – need to highlight how important this is for our community in TR but also for all of Fort Lauderdale and upcoming initiatives and projects. Board members are encouraged to send out reminders to their contact list in addition to what is sent out through newsletter.

Statement regarding unrest/racism

Allison Foster asked board to consider making a statement to the TRCA community regarding the current events, unrest, and racism. The board has agreed to review a draft statement once sent out to the board with the goal of being positive in nature and identifying that there is no place for racism in Tarpon River and that we are an inclusive community. Board has confirmed they will respond with vote regarding statement and it will be included in upcoming newsletter.

Zoom call with Commissioner Sorensen for Tarpon River community

Confirmed June 23 – 3:30pm – zoom with Commissioner Sorensen; will send out information via email

Upcoming meetings

July 16 meeting

Adjournment