JPNA Neighborhood Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 6:00pm
Chair: Rosemary Bolza

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87574386763?pwd=Lzdpc2VLR2RTbG8vdVdtY2o1Yndpdz09
Meeting ID: 875 7438 6763
Passcode: 750163

INTRODUCTIONS:
Present: Joan Daniels, Joanna Osuna, Laurel-Heather Milden, Rosemary Bolza, Erin Posthumus, Shannon Lindemer, Jeanne Calhoun, Jon Heine, Melanie Fan, Michael Fan,Michael Crawford, Dorothy Richmond, Cindy Doklan, Caitlin Boyle, Yvonne Lorch, Angela Kaczowka

Absent: Tom Tobin, Mary Worthen, Lisa Jones, Bob Schlanger

Excused: Colleen Nichols, Trish Gehlen, Judy Janson

Guests: Donovan Durband: City of Tucson/Park Tucson, Nicolas McCullough: Grijalva 's Office, CJ Boyd : Ward 3 Office and Erin Peters: Tucson Police Department

It was suggested from the floor that we allow guests the opportunity to present before going into the business section of the meeting. That way if they would like to leave after their presentation they would have that option. No vote taken but the idea will be incorporated into the meeting format from now on.

Donavan Durban from the **City of Tucson and Park Tucson** attended and presented. Mr. Durband shared that there is approximately $8000 available from a surplus of money collected from Park Tucson. This money can be used for traffic calming/mitigation and/or sidewalks. Mr. Durband asked JP to think about how they would like to use this money and work with Jesse Soto who is the project manager on what will work for JP.
Mr. Durband also discussed that the Neighborhood and Residence Parking Committee is talking about changing the current ordinance that states that a 4' buffer must be provided if parking in easements/rights of way. The proposed change is completely prohibit parking in the rights of way. The question is, should it be prohibited in all neighborhoods and all sections of neighborhoods and not only in the parking permit program? There are 14 neighborhoods involved. Traffic Calming Committee will take charge of getting feedback from neighbors on this proposal. The board will need to discuss this at the March meeting and potentially vote on our recommendation to the committee.

Erin Peters Tucson Police Department: Burglaries dropped by 3 this month however still high for the neighborhood. We had 7 in February. Students are getting hit the hardest when they are in class or on breaks. KGUN is doing an interview and wants the stats. Erin Peters will get the information to Joan Hall. Ideas to help students: The University of AZ is providing JP with door hangers will have helpful hints. Other suggestion were security cameras and more policing if possible. Erin shared that they have too few officers.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Recommendations of Members at Large: All Accepted
Recommendations of Committee Heads All Accepted

BUSINESS MEETING

Approval of Minutes: All in Favor , Minutes Approved as written.

Treasurer's Report Treasure's Report accepted as Reported.

Standing Committees

Communications - No Report

Ad Hoc Committees

International School Rep Report - No report

Land Use – There are only 5 or fewer inspectors. Very few code enforcement officers. If you see work going on, please contact Joan Hall, Chair of the Land Use Committee at joanchall@yahoo.com with any questions or concerns.

Safety - see above from Erin Peters

Banner - Please report any fly overs to Sylvia Rayces 520-694-6533 or lrcsmr@yahoo.com. Jeanne Calhoun sent an email to Davis Monthan Air Force Base(DMAFB) to get clarification of the friendly air space. Kevin Dahl stated he would try to find a contact person and provide to Jeanne.

Traffic - Joan Hall has been reaching out to Jesse Soto with traffic calming ideas. She sent him a spreadsheet with neighbor's suggestions on problem traffic areas. Need approval from Jesse Soto. He has not responded to emails thus far. CJ Boyd met with Jesse (2/23) and reported that there is a 2 year old grant program for each ward to assist with traffic calming/speed bumps. All the money has been awarded to Ward 5 this year, but we can apply for it in the next fiscal year.

Monuments Signs- The board voted and chose the design from the contractor #2, Jason Butler. Zac McDonald will begin the process for approval and installation. The board will need to discuss the cost and approve at the March meeting.

Paving- Still waiting for the paving to begin from Mountain to Park. $2 million was set aside to pave 1/2 of the neighborhood. CJ reported that Jesse was not aware of this project. It was suggested that one of the reasons for the delay was that the water company had to make sure everything was safe before paving. JP is all set but still waiting on Ward 4. Michael Crawford reported that he had talked with Bob Roggenthen at the Dept of Transportation and Mobility. He said there is a shortage of contractors that the bid was combined with Ward 4 to lower costs. Perhaps the project to start in May.

Grant Rd Coalition - Health and History Trail: We need volunteers for tree planting on March 26 with Trees for Tucson. Dorothy Richmond, Erin Posthumus, Rosemary Bolza, Cindy Doklan, Laurel-Heather Milden', Joan Hall, Joan Daniels, Colleen Nichols and Jeanne Calhoun volunteered to plant trees.

Green Committee - no report

Clean Committee - no report

Reps to the Community

TEP - *Colleen Nichols* Zoom meetings continue 1-2 times a week.

CCRC- The District includes the Main Library, Science Library, Bear Down and a new building, the Bartlett Academic Success Center. There is a sky bridge to connect the new building to Bear Down. In Bear Down there is the Red and Blue Market for healthy food choices, a healing garden and meditation and prayer rooms along with academic advising and other support services. The Library spaces connect to the Bartlett and Bear Down and provide resources. In the Library the Tech Toolshed has 1,400 pieces of technology for students to borrow along with IT support and a 24/7 lounge. The libraries are open to the public and that the CATalyst Studios workshops are open to the public. Public computers are free with a computer card. The maker space is set up with podcasting equipment, a green screen and 3-D printers. Use this link to see what events and activities are available to the public at UArizona, https://news.arizona.edu/calendar

Friends of Jefferson Park, Inc - *Joanne Osuna*
The Friends of JP would like to purchase a memorial bench for Louie Werthmueller to put in the park. It will cost $2995.00. The Park has approved it but asking the board to approve fundraising for the bench. The motion was presented/voted and it passed with all in favor. Friends will take on collecting money for this project.

Projects Reports

March Door Hangers- Joanne Osuna is waiting to get the ones from the University of AZ and will let the Area Reps know when they are ready to be picked up and delivered.

Linear Park Tree Planting Event - March 26 see above Grant Rd. Project

Plant Sale April 22-24- - Laurel-Heather will send out a signup sheet for volunteers. Folks have been donating plants, pots and tools. Tom Tobin, Joan Daniels, Laurel-Heather, and Erin Posthumus are growing lots of plants. We will need to borrow the tables again from Friends.

Area Representative Reports: No Report

Grijalva 's Office- Nicolas McCullough: - No Report this month however he offered to supply water for the Tree Planting Event. He will try to get a large thermos for water instead of plastic bottles. He will also bring masks.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25pm