# NORTH HILL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL Minutes

## Meeting called to order - 6:30 Thursday, December 12th

#### Introductions

**The proposed agenda** was modified to reflect some absences of presenters. The agenda was approved.

The minutes will be approved at the January meeting. New leadership is getting it together.

SPD - Not present

## City Council - Zach Zapone -

- Zach passed along a message from former council member Karen Stratton, that she misses us.
- The council has now approved the budget for the next year. The City council makes sure tax dollars are spent well.
- In regards to COP Shops funding It is common practice for non-profits to re-apply for the funds every 5 years. That was not going on with COPS and that needed to change.
   Some COP shops aren't even open these days and poor feedback from some communities but not all.
- Policing funding has been moved out of the traffic control budget.
- ARPA funding Someone will be designated to help our neighborhood with our application.
- Garland and Post at milk bottle will be the crosswalk art.
- Homeless round table culmination.
- The city approved the legislative agenda and as a part of that, is asking the state to let us pilot the Land value tax this would tax a property on the value of what that property could be even if it is just a parking lot at the moment. Single-family property taxes would decrease if this is implemented.

Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) - Gabrielle Ryan. PDF attached to email, with minutes.

**Traffic calming** - everything is quiet

**Treasurer** End of year report - 486.36 ending bank balance -Scot hopes we can incorporate that money with the Community Engagement Grant

**Building Stronger Neighborhoods (BSN)** - reviewed Summit last Nov. mtg. Dan and Scot went to the summit. Most neighborhoods had someone there. Summit is funded for next year

through CA. Very positive feedback from it. The Good Neighbor Awards on Sat. 14th. Hive 9-11 am. A few folks from North Hill are being honored.

**Community Assembly** Report - See email attachment with CA minutes.

**Garland Business District** - Jasmine - ARPA grant coming in around half a million, money to matching funds for repairing sidewalks, lighting, beautifying and generally making Garland more of a destination.

- Summer market Feast world kitchen partnership, international event
- Will be re-electing the board in Feb. Jasmine moving off the board.
- The old dentist's office on Monroe is now a real estate office.
- Parking is an issue at Garland, folks can park at Garland Animal Clinic after hours

### **Old Business**

- Asphalt Art will be presented on in January
- Houseless Liaison Vote this was not discussed yet due to stakeholders not being present.

### New business -

- We decided to hold our typical meeting even though the Community Assembly decided to also meet on the 2nd Thursday of January.
- Creative District discussion We have a member of the Economic Recovery Core who is assigned to help create creative district. Garland is proposed.
  - The Economic Recovery Core ERC, was created to help with post covid community activities. There are state designated creative districts, Hillyard is one and now Garland is proposed. The process can take 8-12 months to get the state to sign off. If you get the designation it lasts for 5 years. The community would get \$10,000 in start-up seed money. Assistance like grant writing, could be paid for by ARPA.
  - There will be an interest meeting to kick this all off early in the new year.

Alexis volunteered to do minutes for January

Next Meeting - January 9th 6:30-8:30pm @ Four Letter Word