Lakeside Neighborhood Association (LNA)

Meeting Minutes Recorded by Dave Long, President

Date: Monday, October 24 at 7pm

Location: St. Paul Blvd Fire Dept at 433 Cooper Rd.

Welcome and introductions; review of agenda

Dave Long welcomed the group and we went around the room introducing ourselves. There were more attendees at this meeting of the LNA than ever before! Many attendees expressed their excitement about this initiative and want to see our neighborhood thrive.

Report of NEP presentation on Oct 13

Dave reported on the successful presentation by Kate from Lake Lea Rd. to the Town Board regarding our application for a crosswalk over Lakeshore Blvd at Colebrook Dr. The Town was receptive and has since indicated that our proposal is being considered but will be enacted by the County as part of improvements associated with the sidewalk installation from Colebrook Dr. along Lakeshore to Camp Eastman.

Report on Facebook page and other communication efforts

Leslie from Lake Lea Rd. talked about the success of our closed-group Facebook page. We are up to 50 members and growing! Leslie gave a thanks to those who helped distribute the flyers advertising our meeting. The group talked about this as our continued main focus – spreading the word about our group! As suggested, a flyer has been posted to our website for easy download and distribution at http://lakeside-irondequoit.weebly.com/our-flyer.html. Dave reminded the group that we are looking to build our email list so we can communicate with those that do not have Facebook. Also, we are looking to have the Town start sending us reports from the Irondequoit Police Department with relevant information about activity in Lakeside.

Update from Town

Dave attended a meeting of the neighborhood association leaders from all of Irondequoit (full list of Town neighborhoods are at http://www.irondequoit.org/community/neighborhood- enhancement-program/2-uncategorised/307-irondequoit-neighborhoods). Dave shared that the meeting focused on best practices and successes, along with lessons learned, were shared from the leader of the Winona Woods association. Dave was able to share LNA's website as a best practice at the meeting too. There is another such meeting coming up in February 2017.

Street captains

The group acknowledged that we have quite a few street captains but Lakeside is not yet fully represented. In fact, Dave received a spreadsheet from the Town that listed all addresses in Lakeside and there are 710 households. We will continue to focus on making sure there are street captains assigned as we spread the word about our association. It is clear that it will take many neighbors collaborating to keep momentum going.

Determine first initiative to get behind as a neighborhood

Elaine from Colebrook Dr. shared a fantastic list of ideas she brainstormed. You can review the list at http://lakeside-irondequoit.weebly.com/ideas.html. The group was extremely impressed with this list and the suggestion was to get started with any of them. There was special attention paid to topics such as shoveling out fire hydrants as well as helping neighbors with raking leaves and other household needs.

Learnings from Winona Woods

Donna from Oaklawn Dr. briefed the group on her conversation with a member of the successful Winona Woods Neighborhood Association. Donna indicated that we are on the right track and need to keep getting the word out. We should not be discouraged at our progress and, in fact, we are moving quite quickly.

Next meeting

We decided to keep the monthly schedule of meetings and will meet next on Monday, November 28, 2016 at 7pm. Thanks to Kathy from Rock Beach Rd., we have reserved the Summerville Presbyterian Church at 4845 St Paul Blvd for our meeting.

Resources:

- Website: http://lakeside-irondequoit.weebly.com/
- Closed (invitation-only) Facebook group: Lakeside Neighborhood Association.



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