

Neighborhood Association Irondequoit, NY

Meeting Minutes 4/12/17 6:30pm-8:00pm

- Introductions of all present by name and street
- Shared wind storm and snow storm stories and discuss what else we can do to help our fellow neighbors
 - Idea to use the Invigorate Irondequoit event on May 6th. Dave Long will look into having the link to the town website added to our webpage. Then that day members who want to help can gather together as a team at the Irondequoit Town Hall Campus and then be dispatched back to our neighborhood to help clean up yards for those who can't. This would allow those doing the work to be covered under the town's insurance.
- Discussed IPD and the fact that they are no longer sending out emails with their activity report. We are invited to contact Officer Kylee Nichols with any thoughts on how IPD can help serve us as an association. Decided to table the idea of Neighborhood Watch until our next meeting.
- Discussed the possibility of creating a "Welcome Packet" for new people moving into our neighborhood. Ideas included having sponsors (i.e. realtor(s), Greenlight) cover the cost of the packet/bag of goodies that would include coupon's to local business in our area (i.e. SIPS, Lakeside Deli etc.). The one note is that we are not a non-profit so the donations by businesses would be a true gift and not a tax deduction. Debbie Cowan offered to look into creating a sample packet for our next meeting.
- Related to the welcome packet's Dave Long will inquire at the next town meeting of association leadership to see if we are "being left behind" if we do <u>not</u> pursue becoming an official tax exempt organization where other associations in town are. Would this hinder us from receiving future grants/money from the town in the future?

- The various Irondequoit Associations may group together to march in the 4th of July parade....details to follow at next meeting. UPDATE: We are invited to decorate a shopping cart for the parade. Debbie Cowan has offered to create a banner for us to carry. Those interested in marching should contact Dave Long.
- Dave Long has created a list of proper etiquette for Facebook posts as recommended by the neighborhood associations roundtable. This has not been a problem yet but wants to be in front of any potential inappropriate posts.
- Kim Romeo has graciously donated a cabin she rented at Camp Eastman for a July 30th Lakeside Neighborhood Association Summer Party. The cabin is the closest to the spray park and we will discuss this more thoroughly at our next meeting.
- Little Free Library update was provided. The library is in and will be built. The third grade students at Colebrook will decorate the box and once completed the school district will do the actual installation. We hope to have our logo added to the box along with the notice that this box was made available by the rotary club. Two suggestions for the library once installed are:
 - Rotate street captains on a weekly/biweekly basis to stop by the library to make sure there is no inappropriate materials being left behind.
 - Add a small plastic box (similar to what realtor's use) on the outside of the library to provide pamphlets on what the Lakeside Neighborhood Association is.
- Donna Katz recently attended the town wide senior expo. She complied a list of 20 names of residents from around town that will be gathering again soon to discuss what the various town associations can be doing for seniors. Donna also let us know that she has told the town that they need to do a better job of providing a list of the various associations and the streets within those associations prior to the next town wide event.
- A resident voiced concerns about a property on his street. The group talked about resources and recommended that the resident contact any of the following Town entities: Police at 336-6000, Fire Marshall at 336-6097, Code Enforcement at 336-6039.
- Summerville Presbyterian Church once again provided us with a meeting place at no cost and have also invited us to help them on two occasions. Contact <u>office@summervillechurch.org</u> to volunteer.
 - April 29th at 2:00 as volunteers for their garage sale
 - May 6th from 9:00am 12:00pm to clean up the outside grounds

• Dave Long closed the meeting by once again encouraging those present to bring a friend or neighbor that lives in our neighborhood to our next meeting. He also invited anyone that wanted to potentially join the board in the future to contact him directly.

And also ...

• Thanks to the folks that planted Spring bulbs around the neighborhood. They're being seen on my walks, around fire hydrants, sign posts, and right of ways!