Tom motioned; Christina seconded

Moody Updates

Moody updates: recent meeting had a different tone than prior meetings

Moody’s have been working with the city; city gave an extension through August that should include a full rehab plan that includes contracts for all 3 properties. Their atty have said that if they can’t come up with a viable plan by June they will have to sell one or more of the properties. To move forward with the receivership statute, LSNA should know what the inside looks like but don’t let this hold up. Atty is preparing a Mtn for Summary Judgment on nuisance statute to get judge to rule that these properties are a nuisance. LSNA atty is going to continue to move forward.

Matt N. called the city to have a new condemnation sign put on Mississippi and Hickory; was told that the complaint was submitted and if it is re-entered it will remove the prior complaint and some inspection was supposed to be taking place on May 3.

Membership vacancy

Welcome Kimberly Winters to the membership chair. This vacancy can be appointed by the president. Purchased a home in the neighborhood in fal 2023 and moved in in January 2024. Kim is eager to get involved in the neighborhood. Chrstina and Kim will meet with Kim to orient her to the role.

Julie Padburg-White - Gateway Cup

Final leg of the races has been pulled by Benton Park and moved to Florissant due to financing (Florissant is funding and putting it on as a community event)

Cost of 4 days is over $350k - the event in LS is about $80k. They are possibly looking to move the event to another neighborhood in 2025.

Do we want to keep this in the neighborhood? If not, we need to let Mike (with Big Shark) know.

Do we want to grow this into a neighborhood event with food trucks, a concert, etc? Some businesses have been upset about street closures.

Bart would like to take time develop an event plan before opening up the discussion

Bart & Julie will meet and share documents with board prior to June mtg

Ameren - we’re missing opportunities for funding. They have a marketing and a community impact budget. Want to be strategic in the ask to make sure those asks are coordinated

Vice President position

Jeff has not been present for the last several meetings and is requesting to step back or to step out of the role. He is spending most of his time in N. Carolina and will likely be relocating next year.

Vince emailed about the membership position and Chris talked to him about the VP position and he is interested.

This position requires a special election however does not fall under the rules for general elections. We could have a vote tomorrow as long as 50 people are present at the general meeting but this feels quick. Could hold the formal election in June with an announcement in May.

Matt is organizing memorial for Susanne Sessions; ask has been for LSNA to pay for flowers w/ a max of $150. Memorial is being held this Saturday from 1-4. Board agreed.

Treasury

Tatiana provided email update.

Tom shared that based on the dollars in checking and endowment, we need to be more strategic if we’re holding money for designated large projects otherwise LSNA is potentially sitting on too much money

Jim King endowment

Need to formalize agreement to meet the spirit and legal requirements for the endowment

Pocket Park

Committee met and shared renderings

Committee is open to suggestions and recognizes that they are not developers

Communications

StoryPower - current website hosting. The changes we want to make to the website would require extensive developer action and would be expensive. Chris to talk to Wayne White who is a website developer to see what he could offer as far as website development

Business

40 tickets so far sold for Cocktails on the Plaza; tickets cap at 150 - if it sells out Bart will go to businesses to ask if they can purchase walk-up tickets

Being held on May 29th

Safety

Could use some volunteers to clean the police substation; a few volunteers have left their group.

Improvements

Alley mirror are all put up around the neighborhood - 8 were included in this year’s batch. This project is complete unless new spots are identified.

Tree removal - happening this Friday; trees and large branches have been identified

Had meeting today about historic street signs - this is a multi-year project and is going to get 3 more put in this week (from 2023) and then will get going with this year’s batch (another 10 poles and street signs were budgeted in 2024)

Include an article in the Marquis about the improvements such as mirrors and historic signs

Curb repairs - Mitch sent email to Cara Spencer; goal is to try to exhaust city’s resources

Preservation

Committee is looking into if they should fill Susanne’s seat and are reaching out to see if people are interested

Old funeral home - last update was they were going to take awnings down

Motiont o adjourn ty

Second tom

Meeting adjourned at 8:32