

# York Neighborhood Association Board of Directors Meeting

Marlins' Café, 514 Potter Street

## November 17, 2022 Minutes - DRAFT

Approved: Motion \_\_\_\_\_

Present: Colin Beazley (President), Chris Donaldson (Vice President), John DeOrio (Treasurer), Mark Ellis Walker, Anne Mackie, Jeremy Ferrera, Opie Knechtel, Rebecca Hobbs; Tom Scott joined near the end. **Quorum satisfied.**

The meeting got started at 6:30pm.

### 1. Holiday Party Planning/Recap

Setup should begin around 4:30pm. Mark will make a large sign for the Food Bank donation bin, encouraging financial donations rather than foodstuffs (as the Food Bank has said they can get food more readily than funds for it).

Tom will know in the next day or two the yes/no status of the wagon's availability; the new vendor (Cramer Classics) wants \$200 more than the \$600 historically budgeted for the event. The sponsors present (Opie, Jeremy, Tom, and Anne) agreed to cover this increase.

### 2. Newsletter

Distribution of the upcoming/imminent issue is anticipated to start around Thanksgiving and largely happen in the week afterwards. Mark reports that most of the current advertisers have agreed to renew for 2023, although one is retiring and a couple of others have not yet responded to his email. Opie recommends that at least one copy be delivered to 20th Century Bowl, the bowling alley on State Street, although it's technically outside of York.

### 3. Board Recruitment

Names of potential candidates were floated and considered. Among them: Carolyn Mulder was reported as being too busy, ditto Julia Burns. A new neighbor, a firefighter with no kids, was deemed a possible recruit.

### 4. Safety

Was there any follow-up regarding Chris Cuomo's presentation at the recent general meeting? There was some discussion of the turn lanes off Lakeway Drive and the corridor in general from the sports complex in the Puget neighborhood to Ellis Street.

Opie reported on the status of the Way Station program coming to the northwest corner of York and the mixed outlook foreseen for the protection its "buffer zone" will provide. She has written an article about the matter for the newsletter.

It was noted that there was a town-hall meeting about the jail the night before, just as something to be aware of generally.

## 5. Parks

Rock Hill Park is scheduled to be the first Parks Department priority in 2024. Anne suggested that, as a Small and Simple Grant project for the coming year, an interpretive sign might be created for Harriet Spanel Park to explain the park's history and name; Mark asked her to provide him with the program flyer from the renaming event so he can post that info on the YNA website as well as have it for a potential sign draft if the project goes ahead.

## 6. Historic Preservation

The committee will have its first meeting on December 6 here at Marlins' Café.

## 7. Treasurer's Report

John will submit reimbursement to the City before the holiday party next month. It was noted that the YNA's Zoom account has been renewed.

## 8. MNAC Representative Needed

An MNAC representative needs to be established A.S.A.P. Tom moved to make Colin the prime one *pending his acquiescence*.

## 10. Final Thoughts

Anne informed us that she and Jon Ostby have indeed sold Nelson's Market and Marlins' Café, to a very local owner, but that the specifics can't be disclosed just yet as the sale is not quite closed. The new owner will be joining the Board. Chitchat galore ensued.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Ellis Walker, Acting Secretary.