

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

YORK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

June 22, 2022

Hybrid Virtual (Zoom phone) & 1419 N Forest ST (Christ the King Church, aka Norway Hall)

Draft to be Approved by Motion 2022-09-28.1

Present

Board: Colin Beazley (President), Chris Donaldson (VP), John DeOrio (Treasurer), Tom Scott (Secretary), Anne Mackie, Mark Ellis Walker, Jason Finkbonner, Élan Engel, Jeremy Ferrera, Todd Kleinbrook, Opie Knechtel.

Guests: Rebecca Hobbs (appointed to Board during meeting), Steve Janiszewski (CoB, Parks), Laine Potter (CoB, Parks)

Absent

Board (Excused): .

Called to Order by Colin at 6:32pm.

Welcome – Colin

Consent Agenda: Motion 2022-06-22.1 Accept & Approve the Consent Agenda, as presented, by unanimous consent. **Moved Tom, Chris.**

- **Motion 2022-06-22.1a** Approve Board Minutes for April 27, 2022, as presented;
- **Motion 2022-06-22.1b** Approve Board Minutes for May 25, 2022, as presented.
- **Motion 2022-06-22.1c** Appoint Rebecca Hobbs to the Board, effective immediately.

Dumpster Day – Anne

SSC & Republic really stepped up. Over 4K lbs were removed from York's homes, yards, streets and alleys. We had a record 4 toilets.

Rock Hill Revitalization – Steve & Laine (CoB Parks)

"Security Attendants" unofficially Park Ambassadors. A new program to monitor park security, safety, health and more. The program is part of Park Operations. The program started in "Community Parks" and is expanding into "Neighborhood Parks".

Park Planning

- PRO Plan and Level of Service (part of the City Comprehensive Plan). "Neighborhood Parks" are a subsection. Map in presentation illustrates "Level of Services" to surrounding areas. Currently gaps are most visible in the north with smaller gaps appearing south of the middle of the City.
- PEP Tool. First time that socioeconomic factors are included in planning. Also looking for greatest need, as usual. Density is another planning factor. Using MF housing, general density, average income and need to target repairs and upgrades.
- Rock Hill is in the top five parks being reviewed regarding playground safety and repair needs. Age of installation is a top priority in selecting parks for repair & upgrades.
- Funding:
 - 2020-2021 \$24.1M Total.
 - General Fund \$8.5M
 - Greenways: \$7.9M
 - Park Impact Fees: \$5.7M
 - 1st & 2nd Quarter REET: \$2M (Real Estate Excise Tax), most limited source.
 - Cemetery & Golf Course:
 - Environmental Remediation:

Rock Hill Watering Plan & Work Party – Anne & John

Discussion covered:

Wide range of uses, typically, previously, anywhere up to \$5,000. However, new system under Mayor Fleetwood did not have a specified top dollar amount. Rather it pooled \$40,000 for all neighborhoods over a biennium. New biennium amount not announced as yet.

- Looking for ideas.
- “Century Homes” (signs for homes/buildings older than 100 years).
 - Chris, Tom, Mark & Élan were interested in taking such an idea on.
 - Web map.
 - Historic Photos.
 - Plaques per home.
 - Plaques per block with QR codes to web site.

Rock Hill was discussed in particular. Options for facilitating certain activities were noted. Comments from YNA noted. “Considerations” from Parks were noted, including maintenance/sustainability, geography, stormwater, ecology and cost.

Next steps include applying PEP Tool to Neighborhood Parks, playground audits. **Parks Director, Nicole Oliver visiting Harriet Spanel and Rock Hill Parks August 5 at 2pm and 3:30pm respectively to get neighborhood feedback.** Identify in capital budget; design & construction.

Construction’s planned completion is in 2023.

Q&A followed. One item noted is closing volunteer egress to Lakeway. Anne questioned if water could be setup using the old service from the demolished house. Steve said that could be looked into and that Parks is favorable to having water at parks for desired uses as well as for cleaning. Q: How do we get more folks to that upper area? (rhetorical). “Q: Maybe we should have more than one hoop?” Asked by some not at meeting.

Currently budgeting for 2023 & 2024. Putting money in budget(s) for playground equipment.

Shooting for RH playground work completed June 2023 but looks more like fall 2023.

360-778-7100 to provide information regarding repairs, dangers or other issues.

Q: Any update on the former Entry Arbor? A: It is in the ground and staying near the plum tree – Anne.

Technology Update – Chris & Tom

Chris laid out the expected process.

Brief Committee Reports

Safety Committee – Todd

Met June 14.

- Light up the night.
 - Would like to put content into the next Yorker Newsletter.
 - Looking at lighting support programs from PSE and local stores.
- Neighborhood Watch.
 - Looking for alternative approach, possibly through web site or social media.
 - Encourage neighbors to talk and know each other.
- First Aid Training in September or October. Looking for sponsoring organizations.
- First Responder in Spring 2023.
- Would like to get “2 Weeks Ready” pamphlet x 1K for the third week of July to be delivered with the Yorker.
Motion 2022-06-22.2 Acquire 1K copies of “2 Weeks Ready” for distribution with the next Yorker (no funding for “folding” into the Yorker). **Moved Tom, Colin. Passed without objection.**
- Chris Comeau (CoB Transportation Planner) to discuss Bike Master Plan and Ped Master Plan at next meeting.

York History & Preservation Plan – Chris

4 members on committee and growing.

Annual Picnic – Anne

Nelson’s providing hot dogs, buns and “fixings”. Recommend reserving Harriet Spanel Park. Said there is a question regarding acquiring a portable toilet. Anne noted a number of items in a list to be distributed after the meeting.

Consensus was to schedule for September 11 after all students are in school.

Tom will look into the Party Trailer reservation. Anne will call to reserve HS Park. Opie will call about the portable toilet. Anne and Colin will call “Iris” regarding Bee Keeping.

Yorker Content – Rebecca

Every committee chair should provide an article.

Deadline is July 26th or 27th.

Todd – “Light Up the Neighborhood” and noting “2 Weeks Prepared” pamphlet.

John – Park Update.

Colin – Interested in highlighting a business. Colin will follow up with one of the prospects. Once approached, Colin will introduce owner(s) to Rebecca for an interview.

Miscellaneous

Colin will pick up “No Fireworks” signs and distribute (5).

Next Board Meeting...

Not settled.

Adjourned 8:28pm (Colin, Opie)

Supporting/Related Resources

- None

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas R. Scott, Secretary