

Location: Bayfront Sheen Conference Center

Attendees: Catherine Nivens, Larry Biddle, Lisa Suprenand, Alexis and Aron Kaloostian, Kai Warren, Sharon Ewe, Patti Hohman, Adam Gyson
Absent: Ron Motyka

Catherine brought meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committees that had reports, sent them by email. This meeting was devoted for artist presentations.

Agenda Item: Treasurer’s report by Alexis Kaloostian

Discussion: Bank Balance \$6788.39

Action: Check to Lisa for Information Board
 Check to Kathy for Welcome bags
Who and When:

Agenda Item: Codes – no report

Discussion:

Action:
Who and When:

Agenda Item: Park Committee

Discussion: Gift for materials was granted by Lowe’s. Adam picked up fence and bollard materials for Jasmine Terrace improvement project.

Action: Park Committee to have a Saturday cleanup project to complete the project
Who and When: Kai, Adam TBD

Agenda Item: CONA – no report

Discussion:

Action:
Who and When:

Agenda Item: Safety

Discussion: Kathy is looking for better quality cameras. She has 2 bids out for cost. One bid came back high.

Action: Continue researching cameras
Who and When: Kathy and Sharon

Agenda Item: Grants – no report

Discussion:

Action:
Who and When:

Agenda Item: Neighborhood Plan

Discussion: Focus is art installation in the park. Two artists interested in presenting concepts for the building of public art in Roser Park -- as part of our

decision to include public art in the implementation of the new revised community plan -- came to the meeting and presented their preliminary ideas of what they could create and implement. This was not for approvals but just to see if any of their concepts seem likable. The community will have the opportunity to view these concepts at a later meeting this fall.

Mark Aeling of MGA Sculpture Studios and Catherine Woods of C Glass Studios presented.

Each made their presentation with illustrations of their concepts.

One note of primary interest was that even though the City of St. Petersburg will be the ultimate owner of the object(s),

our community will be responsible for its maintenance (this was told to Larry Biddle in a meeting at City Hall with both Susie Ajoc, Director of Neighborhood Affairs, and Wayne Atherholt, Director of the Mayor's office of Cultural Affairs.

Several of the concepts were questioned about what materials would be used and how they could best be maintained.

After much discussion and questions, it appeared that more proposals were needed and we should open this public art option to more area (Florida) artists for consideration. At our next board meeting we will hear of a proposal to conduct a modest call for proposals and consider a recommendation for an expert on public art to conduct the announcement or call for proposals, select a few (three or four) of those proposals and then work with the community (in meetings open to all) in selecting the best concepts. Once that process is complete with a recommendation to the City for the choice of the community, the City will pass on it and hopefully contract with the artist to pay for the public art. Because the cost of having such an expert would be paid for by the city out of the funds they have allocated for the implementation of our community plan, the City will have to agree on the expense and approve the process we would propose.

It was also suggested we might want to ask some artists to create one or two entrance signs that are presented within an artistic piece. That seems to be a separate decision from the public art process and will likely take less of a process and cost less than the public art piece.

Action:

Who and When:

Agenda Item: Bayfront Generator Noise – No Report

Discussion:

Action:

Who and When:

Agenda Item: Information Board

Discussion: Lisa has ordered it. It should be delivered soon. The posts will be set with cement

Action: Try to get an idea of the bike trail location so that the information board is not in the way

Who and When:
Catherine

Agenda Item: Welcome Bags

Discussion: Kathy showed an example of the welcome bags she has put together for new neighbors. They include a few gifts for area merchants, an info sheet on Living in Roser Park, and lots of literature provided by the City, Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations and companies.

Action:

Who and When:

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

Discussion: HRPNA Board – Sept 10 &:00 PM
HPRNA General Meeting – Sept 17, 7:00 PM

Action:

Who and When:

Next Meeting:

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 845 PM