

Minutes from RNA Meeting on February 12, 2020

Noel C. Taylor Municipal Building
Room 159 (EOC) at 5:30 PM

Committee Members in Attendance

Kate Lewis, Chair
Charles E. Wilson, Vice-Chair
Jamaal Jackson
Cindy Pasternak
Sunni Purviance

Committee Members Absent

Ellie Rigby, Secretary
Alicha Grubb
Amazetta Anderson
Bill Houck, Jr.

Guests

Mr. Dan Callaghan – City Attorney

Welcome to Members and Guests

Chair Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:22 pm and welcomed all members and guests.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Sunni moved to adopt the Agenda. Charles seconded. Passed unanimously. Charles made a motion to accept minutes as amended striking Jamaal's arrival time. Sunni seconded. Passed unanimously.

Reports of Special Interest

- **Amendments to the By-laws - Lewis**

The RNA reviewed the by-laws and voted to approve the changes to the by-laws for Council to adopt on February 18th. One change was made to Section II, A, consist of nine (5) members. The number was changed to (9). Cindi moved to adopt the By-laws. Charles seconded. Passed unanimously.

- **City Updates – Tonya Pickett, Neighborhood Services**

Neighborhood Services mentioned the information needed for the Certified Crime Prevention Community Report. Tonya shared Leadership College will start Thursday, March 19th-Thursday, May 14th. She shared some fieldtrip sessions will be open to the RNA and Neighborhood Leaders. Tonya presented Points of Diversity Study Circle opportunity for RNA Members. At this time there was not enough interest in participating.

- **Neighborhood Reports - All**

No Reports

Reports of Officers – Standing Committees

- **Neighborhood Awards Update – Purviance, Pasternak**

This was moved until the next meeting.

- **Neighborhood Grants – Lewis**

Neighborhood Organizations will be notified by a letter from Keith Holland in Community Resources or Tonya Pickett in Neighborhood Services confirming the approval or denial of grant or specifics on partial funding allocations. ___ motion to approval the RNAs recommendation for the 2020-21 Neighborhood Grants, _____ seconded, passed unanimously.

- **Neighborhood Development – Jackson, Purviance**

Ellie made a recommendation to purchase litter cleanup supplies to be added to the block party kits. The funding would be for litter grabbers, safety vests, and gloves. \$300 was recommended to complete this task. Cindy seconded the motion. Charles made the motion to allocate \$300 to litter supplies and Jamaal seconded. Passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- **Neighborhood Assignments**

Greater Grandview is still available as it conflicts with the South East Action Forum meetings. Cindy agreed to take Noble Neighbors in NE.

New Business

- NUSA Conference-Tonya Pickett, Neighborhood Services, presented the invitation for any interested RNA members to attend NUSA. The Cost of the Conference is \$225. Hotel \$122 a day (2 people share costs), Flight is \$346.40. Sunni wanted to attend. She would only need flight and registration and can share room accomdations with Tonya. Total costs would be \$571.40. Charles motioned to approve \$571.40 from RNA funds to send Sunni to the NUSA conference. Cindy seconded the motion. Passed unanimously

Open Forum/Announcements

Are you Ready for Food at the Gainsboro Library-Feb 27th 6-8 pm

Leap Year Soup Swap-Feb. 29th from 6pm-7:30 pm LEAP Kitchen at Freedom First in West End

Adjourn

Adjourned at 6:35pm.