



Community Alliance of Spring Garden - East Deutschtown | 1308 Spring Garden Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

CASGED COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2024

CASGED Board of Directors: Erik Kath (President), Isaac Falvey (Vice President & Treasurer), Lisa McAnany (Secretary), Eric Leathers (At Large), Lori Cipkins, Teri Dorazil, Jared Stelmach, Joe Valorie

Call to Order

Erik Kath

Guests

- Councilman Bobby Wilson attended in person and provided updates on planned work at Michael Flynn Field and on East Ohio Street. The councilman also spoke about the planned PWSA work on Chestnut Street, and the proposal to turn the Comfort Inn at 820 East Ohio Street into voucher-based housing. He noted his frustration around the Comfort Inn proposal as it was not possible based on recent interactions with the proposed developers; the councilman also noted that there was \$1.1 million in the city budget for improvements to the East Ohio Street streetscape and engagement was ongoing.
- Representatives from Zone 1 also attended in person and presented a report.

Committee & Project Updates

● **Executive Committee Report**

Erik Kath

- New Executive Committee Members – Erik Kath, president; Isaac Falvey, vice president and treasurer; Lisa McAnany, secretary; Eric Leathers, at-large committee member
- Review of Previous Minutes – it was noted that October minutes were still in draft form and would be presented at the next community meeting
- Proposed Bylaw changes – Seven directors, frequency of meetings; a community member requested that the meeting agenda be posted on the facebook page and it was noted that CASGED would try to do this in advance of the meetings.

Lisa McAnany

● **Community Development - Committee meets the 3rd Tuesday at 6PM**

Isaac Falvey

- Properties for Sale – It was noted that CASGED had sold the properties it was holding for resale
- Pittsburgh Land Bank/VPWG
 - High Street Land Bank Project Update – hoping properties would move to direct sales in December
- Rising Tide
 - It was noted that 915 Chestnut St. was being demolished

- It was hoped that a closing for the Shivens Properties on Chestnut St. would take place this month

- **Neighborhood Planning - Committee meets the 4th Tuesday at 6PM**

- o Tripoli Park Planning Update – the various plan designs were being consolidated following feedback and would be presented at the next community meeting
- o Community Survey Update – the survey is live and a QR code is available
- o Zoning Update – an Engage page was being designed by the Department of City Planning and would hopefully go live by year-end

Erik Kath/Eric
Leathers

- **Community Engagement - Committee meets the 2nd Monday at 2PM**

- o Events Update – Light-Up Night to be held at the bus loop on Dec.
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Joe Valorie

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Erik Kath