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CASGED COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES - June 11, 2024

CASGED Board of Directors: Lisa McAnany (President), Jamie Moore (Vice President), David Chimento (Secretary) Jared Stelmach (Treasurer), Isaac Falvey, Erik Kath, John Kubilus, Eric Leathers, Lori Cipkins

6:30PM Call to Order 6:35PM Guests

- Councilman Wilson's Office Jordyn Gilliard
- Zone 1 Police Report Ofc. Defeo, Ofc, Peyton, Cmdr. Malloy
- Lindsay Powell's Office Lindsay Powell, Leah Friedman, Brennan Colema, Will Taylor
 - o One event coming up Friday 32st. 2-4PM at Arsenal Park, county dog licenses and applications for city
 - o State property tax rebate program extended through the end of the year for those 45K or less + 65+ or 18+ and disabled or 50+ and widowed.
- Mayor Gainey's Office Lindsey Robles
 - o Infrastructure Engagement Specialist Jan Reather
 - o Rebekkah- ONB has kicked off for the capital budget process. Northside meeting is next week, but there are six total. Can also visit the budget engage page and can preview the presentation. Deputy Mayor kicked off today with a FB live interview and shared information regarding the state of the city's finances.
 - o Love your block application process has opened and will close the end of June. They will award eight organizations around the city.
 - o Very excited to share that there will be a ribbon cutting for Chestnut Street. CASGED will follow up to plan together.
 - o Thank you to CASGED for going to City in the Streets! It's nice to have cross-supporting.
- Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy Erin Tobin
 - o Riverview Park Events
 - o Michael Flynn Park- they have been invited, but Councilman's office is in charge of it. There is funding in the budget.
 - o Requests letters of support to fun their request for Fowler Park. Charles Street and PV community park, 15 acres, NS Steelers Youth FB Team home field. Pool that has not been opened.
 - o Watson's Cabin letter of support. Efforts to support the restoration.

7:00PM Executive Committee Report

- New Board Member Lisa McAnany welcomed Lori Cipkins from Chris Candies
- Alcosan Update Lisa McAnany no update but will focus on communication and monitoring of the project. Only one meeting with the consulting group.
- Capital Expense Requests for 2025 City Budget submitted based on community feedback. We want to be more proactive in the future to do some engagement to gauge

community feedback. Will keep pushing the priority items with elected officials and private founders. KB said to add Michael Flynn field when we have discussions but loved it.

7:10PM Committee & Project Updates

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

- o Residential Report Isaac Falvey
 - Properties for Sale
 - 835 Vista Street under agreement. Probably the only one saved.
 - 1025 High Street under agreement
 - 1065 Spring Garden Ave. someone interested, under negotiation
 - Rising Tide
 - 915 Chestnut St. -
 - Shivens Properties looking at that for redevelopment with storefront and housing. 2-3 apartments.
 - Nothing has been settled with these and we plan to have RT come talk to the community. They are known throughout the community, have access to funding, and see the opportunity to transform the community.
 - Pittsburgh Land Bank
 - High Street Land Bank Project Update
 - o New process in place to acquire properties to narrow the timeframe from 7-10 years to no more than 2 years.
 - 3 properties on High St were approved.
 - o 1266 High seal it up, looking for owner occupier by end of year
 - o 1257 and 1221. Because of title process they will likely be available early next year. Looking at selling a stabilized shell for 30-50K.
 - o They will put in 20-30K for clean out, windows, roof if needed.
 - o John asked about can we have a referral bonus for selling and Isaac will look into it.
 - VPWG/PCRG Jamie and Erik attended their event
- o Commercial Development Jared Stelmach
 - E. Ohio Street visit engage page. Next event is listed as early summer.

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

- o Tripoli Park Planning Erik Kath, Eric Leathers, John Kubilus
 - Community Engagement Event Recap
 - Breakfast on the park then 90 minute engagement meeting with ideas. Had about 30 people.
 - Studio for Spacial Practice located in Lawrenceville and knows our community well.
 - More engagement opportunities are coming soon.
 - Rail Art with IAW will come in the design process. They have been invited to our workshops.

7:30PM

- Community Engagement Committee meets the 2nd Monday at 2PM
 - o Public Safety John Kubilus nothing to report
 - o Food City Committee Lisa McAnany
 - Lot sale two more coming up.
 - If anyone wants to garden, there are still plots available and they will give you some starter plants.
 - o Communications and Marketing Update David Chimento
 - o Events Update Jamie Moore
 - National Night Out sponsored by CASGED and Angels in the Garden is scheduled for August 6th at Catalano Park.
 - June 22, 2024 CASGED Cleanup Monthly Event 9AM. Meeting at Food City. Erik Kath will lead it this month.
 - Garbage Olympics Sept 21st.

7:40PM Any Other Business

- Community Member Updates
 - o German Club
 - Events will be shared
 - Summer Fest July 5-13. Live music. Craft show Saturday and Sunday.
- Upcoming Meetings
 - Join our Committee Meetings email info@casged.org for more information
 - o Community Meeting, July 9, 2024, 6:30PM
 - o Board Meeting, July 2.

7:45PM Adjournment 7:38pm