



MINUTES
CASGED Community Meeting
December 5, 2023 6:30PM
Zoom/In Person

Executive Attendance: Lisa McAnany (President), Jamie Moore (Vice President), David Chimento (Secretary), Tyler Andrews (At Large), Isaac Falvey, Erik Kath. Absent: John Kubilus, Jared Stelmach (Treasurer)

Community Attendance: Velma Burkhart, Eric Leathers, Andrew Schwarz, Mary Ann Sestric, Walter Whitney, Mitch Wilston

Zoom Attendance: Angela Kapisak, Michelle Moore, Ofc. Eric Defeo

1. Call to Order
 - a. Lisa McAnany welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.
2. Regular Business
 - a. Guests
 - i. Zone 1 Police Report – Officer Defeo
 1. 23 reports, 3 arrests (2 domestic, 1 drug)
 2. Moving forward there will be one officer on for community meetings/CRO to have more focused officer involvement.
 3. Zone 1 can do a welfare check on the elderly this winter if needed
 - ii. Councilman Wilson’s Office - Jordyn Gilliard – Not in attendance
 - iii. Lindsay Powell’s Office - Leah Friedman – not in attendance
 - iv. Mayor Gainey’s Office - Lindsey Robles – Not in attendance
 1. Infrastructure Engagement Specialist - Jan Rather – not in attendance
 - v. Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy - Erin Tobin (out on maternity leave)
 - b. Executive Committee Report
 - i. Review of Previous Minutes
 - ii. Open Board Position
 1. If interested, let us know. There are a few potential candidates who have expressed interest already including Joe Valorie, Sr. and Eric Leathers
3. Committee Updates
 - a. Community Planning
 - i. Letter of Intent for use for Chestnut Street project and future developers has been approved by the board for use. We know this is the first if many developers who will want to have these discussions with us as the community organization.
 - ii. This was given to Eric V to help with conversations around community planning and offer affordable housing.
 - b. Residential
 - i. Properties for Sale
 1. 835 Vista St.
 2. 1025 High St.
 3. 1065 Spring Garden Ave.
 - ii. Continue to use 311 for property issues
4. Community Relations
 - a. Communications and Marketing Update
 - i. New name, same team – Community Relations instead of Community Engagement.
 - ii. Working on a communications strategy as part of our RCO.

- iii. Working on building a new CASGED brand
- b. Events Update
 - i. Light Up Night Recap
 - ii. CASGED was happy to sponsor the event and volunteer. There were about 150 people who attended. Joe, Dennis, Paul, Michelle put in a lot of time into this event and we definitely thank them for that. It was a great event! The bathrooms for a hit!
 - iii. We are looking at how we can continue to support future community events.

5. Any Other Business

- a. Community Member Updates
- b. Upcoming Meetings
 - i. Board Meeting, January 2, 2024
 - ii. Community Meeting, January 9, 2024
- c. Other Updates
 - i. More to come with Allegheny Land Trust and Food City. Two properties are being sold now and two will be sold in 2024. Grow Pittsburgh will also be involved in the oversight and the groups are talking about an advisory board.
 - ii. Allegheny Arts Launch Event
 - 1. Arc House, 818 East Ohio St. 5-7PM
 - 2. <https://www.mlkmural.com/allegheny-arts>
 - iii. If you have any concerns with Chestnut St. road work please let us know. A lot of people have complained about the detour and Suismon traffic.
 - iv. Go to the City of Pittsburgh's Engage Page for more information on Chestnut Street and other projects.

6. Adjournment

- a. Lisa thanked everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 7:20PM