



## **I. Call to Order and Introductions**

The scheduled semi-annual General Membership Meeting of the Logan Square Neighborhood Association was held February 13, 2018, at The Logan hotel, 1 Logan Square, Philadelphia, PA 19103

The meeting was called to order by President Drew Murray at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Drew Murray (President), Sheryl Johnson (Vice President), Andy Toy (Treasurer), Dennis Boylan (Secretary), Bill & Lynn Armstead, Wendy Blume, David Cardy, Edward Dougherty, Laura Foster/Aaron Goldblatt, Jovida Hill, Rich Leimbach, Hassam Mirsaedi, Joe Sirbak, Anita & Dan Solis-Cohen, Tully Speaker, Pat Toy, Colleen Walsh, Nancy & Don Weinberg, Frank Janitor (2201 Condominium), Louise Quattrone (Kennedy House), Steven Goldberg (River's Edge), Jim Fennell (Tivoli). Jim Ruddick (City View South), Sean Kardon (The Arches).

Not Present: Zac Arbitman, Michael Eckstein, Rusty Faircloth, Michael Hoffberg, James Kelly, Barbara Krassenstein, Edward Novack, Francine Pollock, Gayle Ruggeri, Paul Stavrakos, Robert Sutton, Linda Wong, Donna Ferrari (Beechwood Commons), Sven Schroeter (2200 Arch), Jennifer Robinson (Watermark), Sandie Farrell (Hamilton Town Houses), Earl Wolfe (City View North), Pam Doggett (The Phone), Sean Kardon (The Arches).  
and David Searles (Ex Officio).

President Murray thanked The Logan Hotel for providing this evenings meeting place.

Secretary's Report: The minutes for the LSNA monthly Meeting held on January 8, 2018, were submitted for approval.

*Motion: to approve the LSNA minutes for the January 8, 2018, LSNA monthly meeting. Seconded. Approved.*

## **II. Announcements**

- a) LSNA Shredding event will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018, in the parking lot of the former Boy Scout headquarters.
- b) Photos of the Eagles victory parade by Sean Kardon were shown.
- c) Photos by Jim Fennell of all the ongoing construction projects in the LSNA area were shown.

### **III. Committee Reports (see Attachment A - Consent Agenda)**

#### **IV. Presentations**

1. RCO Process. Joe Sirbek provided a tutorial presentation on how a Registered Community Organization (RCO) operated within the city's zoning process. Each RCO in city, must register every two years. LSNA will renew again, this June. How it works: if a developer applies for a permit and the proposal is not in accordance with code, they will receive a notice of refusal from L&I. The developer then files an appeal with some undergoing a civic design review; however most will have come to a RCO. At this point the planning commission notifies the RCO and a scheduled meeting with applicant will be set. The applicant (developer) is required to notify near neighbors within 200' of the proposed project and within 45 days after their appeal with the ZBA has been filed. In many cases there is an attempt to meet with the near neighbors beforehand. For LSNA our Planning & Design committee looks at the proposal, gathers information and makes a presentation at a LSNA meeting during the "RCO" portion. This usually takes place when the developer has a ZBA meeting. So, one take away is that there is usually a limited period of time to negotiate with the developer, time is critical. After a developer presents to an LSNA RCO meeting, we are required to submit a summary to ZBA providing a notice on our position. Whatever our position LSNA can't hold up a ZBA hearing. The question "have you met with the RCO?" always takes place at the ZBA meeting and LSNA is provided time to speak. LSNA has a good reputation with the ZBA for being reasonable because we try to negotiate with the developers. Thus when we say "no" it means something. We also copy our councilman, keeping him informed of where we stand on the project.
2. Presentation by Councilwoman (at Large) Helen Gym. Following the above RCO presentation, the Councilwoman noted that there are at present City Council hearings being conducted about RCOs and the need for their legal protection. Specifically the "Farnese Bill" to protect RCOs with D&O type protection and an anti-SLAP bill. Other topics the Councilwoman spoke of were public education, equality on the local school board, the debate about school funding and the tax abatement program.

#### **V. Zoning Report (see Attachment A - Consent Agenda)**

## **VI. Old Business**

- a) Any update on the Parkway study? A first draft is due out by the end of February with a revised release to follow.
- b) The clean up after the parade is not complete.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

**TREASURERS REPORT**  
**(Andy Toy)**

January 1 - January 31, 2018

TD Bank Checking Balance as of December 31, 2017 \$ 75,132.78

Cash & Check Receipts

December

- Dues and Contributions \$ 45.00
- Deposit \$
- PayPal Transfer \$

Total Receipts \$ 45.00

Payments

December

- Rich Leimbach – Beer for Holiday Party \$ 159.83

Total Payments \$ 159.83

TD Bank Balance as of January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 \$ 75,017.95

Additional funds still in PayPal as of January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 \$ 239.97

**TOTAL BALANCE as of January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 \$ 75,257.92**

(Balance TD Bank on January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017: \$77,866.98)

**LSNA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**LSNA Membership Report**

FY17-18 January 5, 2018 – February 9, 2018

February 13, 2018 Board Meeting

**FY17-18 Members – 365**

Residential – 344 (36 NEW; 272 Renewals; 36 Carry-over) 122 renewals due

Commercial – 21 (3 NEW; 14 Renewals; 4 Carry-over)

- 10 Bldg./Condo Assoc. (NEW; 9 Renewals; 1 Carry-over) 1 renewal due
- 11 Businesses/Institutions (3 NEW; 5 Renewals; 3 Carry-over) 16 renewal due

**FY17-18 Membership Income – Total \$11,630**

Residential – \$9,630

Commercial – \$2,000

- Bldg./Condo Associations - \$1,050
- Businesses or Institutions - \$950

Submitted by Pat Toy  
Chair, Membership Committee

**FY16-17 Membership Summary**

Total Members – 372

Residential – 341

Commercial – 31

- 13 Bldg./Condo Associations
- 18 Businesses or Institutions

Total Income – \$16,520

Residential – \$9,835

Bldg./Condo Associations - \$3,500

Businesses or Institutions - \$3,185

**FY15-16 Membership Summary**

Total Members – 336

Residential – 310

Commercial – 26

- 14 Bldg./Condo Associations
- 12 Businesses or Institutes

Total Income – \$13,505

Minutes  
January 2018

Households/Individuals – \$9,555  
Bldg./Condo Associations - \$2,750  
Businesses or Institutions - \$1,200

**FY14-15 Membership Summary**

Total Members – **309**

Residential – 278  
Commercial – 31

Total Income – **\$16,365**

Households/Individuals           \$9,445  
Residential Buildings \$3,700  
Commercial Members\$3,220

**ZONING COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. 210 North 21st Street (Museum Estates) – Issues have arisen regarding the north fire alley. LSNA is in contact with US Construction to get resolution as soon as possible.
2. 60 N. 23rd Street/2301 JFK Blvd/Riverwalk –Preliminary work has begun.
3. The Dalian-Members of the LSNA Zoning Committee and the Planning & Design Committee continue to work with Victor Rodin to add trees and/or planters to the site.
4. 2000 Arch Street-The LSNA Board voted a letter of non-opposition at the January 9, 2018 LSNA Board Meeting. The letter is contingent upon an executed Neighborhood Development Agreement (NDA). The NDA has been executed. The ZBA voted to approve variance request(s).
5. 2001 Hamilton Street- The LSNA Board voted a letter of non-opposition at the January 9, 2018 LSNA Board Meeting. The letter is contingent upon an executed Neighborhood Development Agreement (NDA). The NDA has been executed. The ZBA voted to approve variance request(s).

***N.B: If a report from a specific committee is not listed above, there is no report this month.***