



## I. Call to Order and Introductions

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Logan Square Neighborhood Association was held October 9, 2018, at the Community College of Philadelphia, Winnett Student Life Building, S2-03, 1700 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, Pa 19130.

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

Present: Drew Murray, Sheryl Johnson, Dennis Boylan, Andy Toy, Karen Belding, Wendy Blume, David Cardy, Edward Dougherty, Michael Eckstein, Jovida Hill, Michael, Hoffberg, Barbara Krassenstein, Rich Leimbach, Hessam Mirsaeedi, Francine Pollock, Joe Sirbak, Paul Stavrakos, Pat Toy, Colleen Walsh, Linda Wong, Sven Schroeter (2200 Arch), Frank Janitor (2201 Condominium), Earl Wolf (City View North), Jim Ruddick (City View South), Steven Goldberg (River's Edge), Louise Quattrone (Kennedy House) and Jim Fennell (Tivoli).

Not Present: Bill & Lynn Armstead, Gino Capobianchi, Jr., David Cardy, Aaron Goldblatt, Adam Greenspan, Karen Rivera-Gorski, Gayle Ruggeri, Tully Speaker, Robert Sutton, Nancy Weinberg, David Searles (ex officio), Jeff Krimstock (Beechwood Commons), Sean Kardon (The Arches), Pam Doggett (The Phoenix), Sandie Farrell (Hamilton Townhouses) and Jennifer Robinson (Watermark).

President Murray welcomed all in attendance to this monthly meeting of the association; the Secretary reported that a quorum was present.

President Murray thanked Lynette Brown-Sow and Erica Harrison from the Community College of Philadelphia for the use of the Winnett Student Life Building as the meeting place for tonight's regularly scheduled LSNA monthly meeting.

Secretary's Report: The minutes for the LSNA Meetings held in September 2018, were submitted for approval.

*Motion: to approve the LSNA minutes for September 2018 meeting. Seconded. Approved.*

## II. Announcements

- a) President Murray thanked Ed Novack and all the volunteers who helped out with the 2018, LSNA Block Party.
- b) President Murray thanked all who attended the Coxe Park movie night featuring "Solo."
- c) The 7th Annual School Fair will be held at the Franklin Institute on November 20, 2018, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m.
- d) 45th Annual LSNA Halloween Party will be held on October 31, 2017, in Coxe Park from 5:00 pm until 6:30 pm.
- e) The LSNA Plan Revision Committee will conduct a meeting on October 23, 2018, at 7:00 pm at Moore College of Art & Design.
- f) The November 13, 2018, meeting will be a LSNA General Meeting of the membership.
- g) The Parkway soiree marking the conclusion of the year long centennial celebration of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway will be held on Friday , October 26, 2018.
- h) LSNA photos by Jim Fennell were shown.

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

## IV. Presentations & RCO Presentations

1. **Zero Starts With One.** Presented by Nick Esposito, Director of the Zero Waste for the City of Philadelphia. Mr. Esposito presented an overview of waste issues in Philadelphia and a new program developed the city to attain a Zero Waste environment. This will be done in part by combining two key issues, litter & waste to attain a 21st century goal of having a zero / minimal waste footprint. The program has begun by bringing together a number of city departments, conducting surveys and creating a digital litter index for specific locations. The action plan for this program will be released shortly, along with a variety of events all designed toward attaining "Zero Waste".
2. **Magee Rehabilitation Hospital signage request.** Steve Pollock attorney and John Ardent, Facilities Director presented. Background: Jefferson Health Care has taken over Magee

Rehabilitation Hospital and they now wish to rebrand the building. This request for variance, involves the placement of five signs, taking the current Magee signage to be exchanged with Jefferson signage. The variance centers on permitting the size of one specific 6th floor sign in particular and for the total allot signage space to be increased from code permitted 100' to 258' in a CMX4 zoned area. As example of a "J" (used in Jefferson), elevations and renderings were shown. The ZBA refusal was due to the size off the signage and to allow a larger sign above the 2nd floor windows. Customers have complained that they could not see the existing signage because of the trees being in the way. The variance request is to permit signage that will provide greater visual functionality by increasing way finding for patients. These will not be oscillating or digital signs, it is a matter of rebranding and creating better way finding. Questions were taken

**V. Consent Agenda.** President Murray asked if there were any questions related to the published and distributed Consent Agenda for this meeting.

**VI. Zoning Report** (see Attachment A - Consent Agenda). Joe Sirbak chair.

- a) RCO: Requested variance for Jefferson Healthcare building signage. Planning and Design Committee is overall in favor of the variance request, though it prefers the signage to be fully compliant with the zoning code.

*Motion with amendment: To write a letter of non-opposition to the requested signage variance with the following amendment: that one sign be moved below the 2nd floor window line and to defer to the recommendation of the art commission. Seconded. Approved.*

### **VIII Old Business**

There was no old business to come before the meeting

### **VIII. New Business**

There was no new business to come before the meeting.

Next meeting: will be a General Membership Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm

ATTACHMENT A

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

September 1 –September 30, 2018

TD Bank Checking Balance as of August 31, 2018	\$	79,607.97
<u>Cash &amp; Check Receipts</u>		
September		
• Dues and Contributions	\$	1,668.00
• Deposit	\$	
• PayPal Transfer	\$	300.00
<u>Total Receipts</u>	\$	<u>1,968.00</u>
<u>Payments</u>		
September		
• Jenn Hallgren – Block Party Printing	\$	103.27
• Colleen Walsh – Responders Appreciation Food	\$	875.85
• Frank Kennedy – Magician block Party	\$	375.00
<u>Total Payments</u>	\$	<u>1,354.12</u>
TD Bank Balance as of September 30, 2018	\$	80,221.85
Additional funds still in PayPal as of September 30, 2018	\$	<u>14.68</u>
<b>TOTAL BALANCE as of September 30, 2018</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>80,236.53</b>

(Balance TD Bank on September 30, 2017: \$78,484.84)

**LSNA MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

FY18-19 September 7 - October 6, 2018  
October 9, 2018 Board Meeting

**FY18-19 Members - 323**

- Residential - 315 (23 NEW; 277 Renewals; 15 Carry-over) 174 renewals due
- Commercial - 8 (- NEW; 3 Renewals; 5 Carry-over)
  - 4 Bldg./Condo Assoc. (2 Renewals; 2 Carry-over) 7 renewals due
  - 4 Businesses/Institutions (- NEW; 1 Renewal; 3 Carry-over) 13 renewals due

**FY18-19 Membership Income - Total \$9,430**

- Residential - \$9,130
- Commercial - \$300
  - Bldg./Condo Associations - \$200
  - Businesses or Institutions - \$100

Submitted by Pat Toy  
Chair, Membership Committee

**FY17-18 Membership Final Report**

- Total Members - 383
  - Residential - 360
  - Commercial - 27
    - 11 Bldg./Condo Associations
    - 16 Businesses or Institutions

- Total Income - \$14,280
  - Residential - \$10,080
  - Bldg./Condo Associations - \$1,650
  - Businesses or Institutions - \$2,550

**FY16-17 Membership Final Report**

- Total Members - 372
  - Residential - 341
  - Commercial - 31
    - 13 Bldg./Condo Associations
    - 18 Businesses or Institutions

- Total Income - \$15,520
  - Residential - \$9,835
  - Bldg./Condo Associations - \$2,500
  - Businesses or Institutions - \$3,185

**FY15-16 Membership Final Report**

- Total Members - 336
  - Residential - 310
  - Commercial - 26
    - 14 Bldg./Condo Associations

- 12 Businesses or Institutes

Total Income - **\$13,505**  
Households/Individuals - \$9,555  
Bldg./Condo Associations - \$2,750  
Businesses or Institutions - \$1,200

**FY14-15 Membership Final Report**

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) – Construction continues.
2. 60 N. 23rd Street/2301 JFK Blvd/Riverwalk – Construction continues.
3. 113-127 N. 23<sup>rd</sup> Street- Construction of houses began the week of September 4, 2018.
4. 1601 JFK Blvd – The attorney for the applicant presented plans for a mezzanine. The LSNA Board voted to write a letter of non-opposition.
5. 1513 Race Street – The attorney for the applicant will present a plan for the replacement of signage. The presentation will occur at the October 9, 2018 Board Meeting.
6. 2026 Spring Garden Street – The applicant will be presenting plans at the November 13, 2018 meeting of general membership.

**LSNA PLANNING & DESIGN COMMITTEE REPORT**

3 October 2018 / Tivoli Community Rm.

Discussion Summary:

**1. 1513 Race St., Jefferson Health – Magee Rehabilitation Hospital**

As a general attitude toward signage, the Planning & Design Committee (PDC) discourages the use of building identification signs for promotional purposes.

The proposed signs are generally in the same location of existing signs being replaced, however the PDC has concern with the additional size and quantity of signs in proportion to the building mass.

The PDC suggests the one additional sign be moved to below the 2nd Floor, per zoning regulation. Beyond this recommendation we defer to the Art Commission sign committee.

**2. 2026 Spring Garden St.**

In preparation for an expected submission next month, the proposed development was discussed in general and it was agreed that the committee would investigate what regulations the Historic District might stipulate for the property.

**Next PDC Meeting**

The next PDC meeting will be Wed., November 7 at the Tivoli community room.

Respectfully Submitted,  
David Searles & Sven Schroeter

**LSNA HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**October 2, 2018 at Tivoli Community Room**

Discussion continued for **trash/plastic bags initiative**, adding strategies and efforts to combat the increased trash and waste in our neighborhoods, including a presentation by CleanPHL.org staff scheduled for LSNA meeting of October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Made In America:** A meeting with city hall staff and event planners, along with Drew Murray and Colleen Walsh, will be scheduled to debrief on this year's event and to discuss the outcome of new measures put in place. Police barriers left around the area have been reported to Office Metelius and have since been removed.

**Police District Advisory Council (PDAC):**

**Project H.O.M.E. Update:** Jonathan Juckett, as a new representative from Project Home has offered his cell phone number (915-920-2480), and email [jonathanjuckett@projecthome.org](mailto:jonathanjuckett@projecthome.org) for outreach services and/or concerns regarding homeless persons. Jonathan reported that the number of homeless in center city is going down, but going up in other neighborhoods. He explained that outreach is a process, taking time to develop relationships. The Made in America event moved a lot of homeless from the area who are now returning. Project Home is organizing teams to target certain problem areas. This winter may be a challenge, as some shelters are already full.

**The Crime Report** is available on LSNA website. Officer Kiefer reported that crime is down. Theft from auto is about the same as last month; there was a robbery with gun, 17<sup>th</sup> and Green around midnight, 16-20 year old suspect. Burglaries are significantly lower, from 26 to 4. The District made an arrest on recent ones that may be the reason for fewer burglaries. He noted that many robbers are especially targeting cellphones. Officer Kiefer reported that in a recent monthly town hall meeting a resident complained about crime around 17<sup>th</sup> and Fairmount, but it was not called into 911. He discussed the importance to NOT just pass around incidents on Nextdoor website, but to call 911. Police cannot get onto Nextdoor for the area if they do not live in this area. He requested that residents call him if you see anything posted on Nextdoor.

New findings reported by residents during their monthly cleanup of Baldwin Park include melted wax on the benches and drug paraphernalia wrappers. Officer Kiefer suggested trying to pinpoint timeframe, take pictures, and note any bags with stamps that identify the source.

Our next Health & Safety Committee meeting will be held on December 4th, 2018 at 7pm in the Community Room at Tivoli. LSNA members are invited to attend the meeting or send the committee concerns that they would like discussed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Colleen Walsh, Chair  
[colleen@cwalshcpa.com](mailto:colleen@cwalshcpa.com)

**LSNA EVENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Thank you to Edward Novack for another successful Block Party. Edward is already looking for volunteers for 2019!

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