

Glen Park Association
Board of Directors Meeting

May 8, 2019
208 Chenery Street

GPA Board Members Present:

Scott Stevenson, president
Heather World, recording secretary
Mary Szczepanik, webmaster
Carolyn White, neighborhood improvement
Adrienne Lacau, membership-in-waiting
Carolyn Deacy, program chair
Nicholas Dewar, Greenway [late arrival]

GPA Board Members Absent or Not-Present:

Bonnee Waldstein, corresponding secretary
Sally Ross, neighborhood improvement committee
Michael Rice, historian
Hilary Schiraldi, membership secretary
Stephany Wilkes, vice president
Tania Treis, zoning and planning
Dennis Mullen, treasurer

Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m.
No quorum established

Action Items

1. GPA Summer Quarterly Meeting

Proposed date: July 25, 2019

Carolyn will look into whether the room at the Glen Park Recreation Center is available

Proposed agenda:

- Autonomous vehicles

Cruise reached out to us and asked to present at a quarterly meeting. Cruise is General Motors' autonomous vehicle division

We reached out to SFMTA. Kathryn Angotti, Senior Government Affairs Analyst, replied and said they can attend. She suggested San Francisco County Transportation Authority and/or the Metropolitan Transportation Commission as well

- Mandelman update?
- Wiener update?

2. Glen Park Festival

- We increased the budget by \$50 with an ad hoc board meeting April 25, per Mary's recommendation for supplies needed for the scavenger hunt.
- People loved Mary's scavenger hunt. Glo sticks and candy were a hit. About $\frac{3}{4}$ of people who participated in the scavenger hunt joined to association
- We were situated between the stage and the bouncy house.
- We got 56 new and renewed members, more new members than renewals
- Two years ago we enrolled about 80 members, and we gave away gift cards; last year we got about 40 and gave away nothing.
- Mary will find out how the festival went overall.
- We need to do outreach for both volunteers and membership
- We could do Saturday in the park outreach to rope in parents as members and let them know we do Halloween

3. Halloween

Volunteers? Last year we had four volunteers. Parents can't do it. Teenagers? Stalwarts from the Association? St. John's? Liveable Streets?

Might be a good idea to form a committee to organize this. Mary willing to take this on.

At last quarterly meeting with Supervisor Mandelman, we brought up Halloween and asked for help. We wanted more clarity on the liability issue. (Last year there were between 3,500 and 5,000 visitors.)

4. Public SFPW land along Kern Alley and Bosworth

Scott got in touch with John Thomas from Public Works who was one co-signers of the directive that gave the land to Hayes Bypass LLC trust.

Two options:

- Revocation of directive
- Create a lease agreement

Scott will send Thomas a letter with three points:

- the GPA is confused why this public land was given away
- the community wants to be part of the decision-making process for what will happen
- we want to see that sidewalk repaired

Scott will write up a draft, send to Bonnee, she will edit, the Board will read it, then it will go to Public Works. The letter will copy the Supervisor's office, which has already been contacted by Patty Hayes as well.

5. Approval of Board and GP Minutes

January board, February board, March board, April board, April ad hoc board, January GA

Cannot approve, as there is no quorum.

Discussions

1. Greenway update

Trail improvement from Brompton to Chilton is very expensive. Applying to Community Challenge Grant (due in October). CCG requires 35 percent matching funds or volunteer hours, but we can't really have volunteers build a road. Nicholas might apply to Supervisor Mandelman for some of the "add-back" money, which could then be a match.

Nicholas is still planning on applying to the PUC's Green infrastructure program. These are extremely large grants, starting around \$750,000. As a first step Nicholas met with hydrologists and engineers contracted by SFPUC to visit the Greenway and prepare a preliminary evaluation of the suitability of the site. They considered it "promising" and will deliver a report of their findings in May.

Rebranding as Friends of the Glen Park Greenway

Work party went well except that the trash hasn't been picked up.

Glen Park Garden Club has taken responsibility for the triangular piece of pedestrian path going up to Brompton, so it's ready for planting.

2. Arlington Open Space project

Carolyn is watering the plants and will now be aided by hose left over from the Greenway brought by Scott. She has also been weeding.

Ramses is now the contact at the Fix-It Team, so she will get in touch with him about a June work party. The city has had their rope training and can now work on the 300-block.

We need three community meetings to work on the FUF nursery slated for the end of the Arlington cut. First meeting was at the April general assembly meeting. The second could be at the June work party.

PUC Community Garden Irrigation Meter Grant Program. But you must install a backflow prevention system. If Public Works installs it, it costs quite a bit.

A landscape architect from Arbor Street offered pro bono work on the 300-block.

Committee reports

Zoning and Planning

William Wycko reached out again.

General

1. Mary gives a report on the blog
17,489 visits this year (since May 11 last year)
3,241 are returning visitors, so regular readers
Most are new hits that come for a story

Our paid contact membership add-on has netted 41 new members. We can set it up to tell people their dues expire in December.

We had a website crime meeting on Monday. Bonnee will do a monthly crime round-up.

Most popular stories: Kern parking lot, work on Diamond/Bosworth intersection, MUNI buses in Glen Park.

Paid advertising idea: local business idea, maybe \$10 a year?

2. Application to put in a cell tower at BART

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.