

LICNA – MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018

6:30PM - 8:00PM

Minutes taken by Mary Beth Howard and April Horwitz

34 attended including board members

Board Members present: Joe Esposito, Mary Beth Howard, Jim Purgatorio, Regina Scannicchio.

Board Members absent: Mary Baggett, Douglas Bartel

PLACE: OUR LADY OF POMPEII SCHOOL HALL - 1220 W. LEXINGTON

Agenda:

1. Call to order – 6:40PM
2. Review codes of conduct – Mary Beth Howard
3. Treasurer Report – Karen Phelan  
Opening Balance - \$5194.28. A deposit of \$5000 was made. Ending Balance - \$10,194.28.
4. Guest Speaker - Pauline M. Dengler, Community Liaison, Cook County State's Attorney's Office Justice Center - She is the Community Liaison for the office at 715 West Maxwell Street which handles 12<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> districts and UIC. She gave an overview of what their office does for our community including offering workshops on self-defense. Check out [CookCountyStatesAttorney.org](http://CookCountyStatesAttorney.org) for more info.

Officer Jim Lazansky from the 12th District works with the community doing burglary prevention, hate crime training, retail theft and block security evaluation.

5. Old Business
  - a. By Laws approved - Jim Purgatorio presented the approved by-laws. Corrections need to be made regarding the membership fees related to owners of property section. Dues collection will begin at the July 18, 2018 meeting.
  - b. 501(c)3 filing status - There has been no progress on this as of meeting date.
  - c. Roosevelt Sq. Master Plan – CHA – Alderman Jason Ervin reported that the library opening is scheduled for January / February 2019. Alderman Ervin & Dennis O'Neil reported on the Master Plan for our community. Construction on 23 market rate Townhomes in the Grenshaw area will begin summer of 2018, \$650k-\$800k. Work on the Housing Museum is underway, the animal sculptures have been renovated and will return to the surfaced parking lot area. Also covered was education, public safety, and development. To learn more about Roosevelt Square master plan go to <http://www.thecha.org/about/plans-reports-and-policies/> . Alderman Ervin also reported that Dog waste signs are available for posting in the community and to contact his office for placement.
  - d. Other Old Business – none
6. New Business
  - a. Committee Reports (2 minute limit)
    - i. Beautification – Rachelle Cirrintano – completed and submitted to the board the Gateway Grant proposal. In order to move forward our 501c3 filing must be completed.
    - ii. By Laws – see above old business
    - iii. Business Development – no update
    - iv. Communications – April Horwitz reported that the LICNA newsletter will be distributed, pending board approval.

v. Education – Natalie Laino reported the group has met twice and is gathering information from the community through surveys and meetings to determine the % of need in area schools based on population.

vi. Festa – Tia Giacalone reported that the committee meets with Festa promoter, Ron Onesti, OEC, every other week to select and finalize footprint, vendors and entertainment. The Festa will be held on Taylor St. from Ashland to Throop.

vii. Planning / Zoning – no update

viii. Safety / Security – April Horwitz and Mike Atella reported their strategic mission which can be found on [licna.org](http://licna.org). They announced an upcoming community meeting to be held at the Chicago Public Library Roosevelt Branch on June 6 at 6:30pm. Their goals are to focus on Building relationships for prevention, intervention and alliances with Tri-Taylor, other organizations and CHA Library community.

ix. Other New Business – Carlo Vaniglia reported on the [2018 Festa Della Repubblica honoring US Army Sgt. Thomas Davino](#) to be held at the 11am mass at The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii on Sunday, June 3 followed by an Italian band led banner procession down Taylor St. to Laflin St., ending in a dedication ceremony at Garibaldi Park. Refreshments will be available at the Shrine.

Support Local Businesses - Rachelle Cirrintano made a suggestion of having social events in the community to support local establishments. The board supports the idea and will be happy to advertise on Facebook and website, but the actual meetings should be coordinated by individuals who are interested in planning.

7. Upcoming 2018 Community Meeting Schedule
  - a. Next Meeting – July 18, 2018
  - b. September 19, 2018
  - c. November 14, 2018
8. Adjourn – 8:40pm