

**EASTERN NORWALK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

September 9, 2009

Minutes

Board Member Attendees: Laurel Lindstrom, Nick Overall, Marija Bryant

Board Members Absent: Art Santella, Zvi Cole, Diane Cece

Advisory Board Member Attendees: Peter Libre

Advisory Board Members Absent: Sarah Hunter, Gordon Tully

Public: Steve Serasis, John Deacy, Photie Kleftogiannis, Cece Lampatelli

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1. Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM.
2. Public Participation – ongoing during meeting.
3. Minutes: July and August minutes approved with corrections.
4. Treasurers Report: October received
5. Discussion items:
 - a. Fitch School property update. Discussed but No change. Steve Serasis states that he would like to see opportunities to use the building for educational programs, and that the city could consider purchasing the property.
 - b. Norden Place update.
 - i. Conservation committee meeting on the 8th of September. Peer review in process. Laurel believes public hearing is on September 22nd.
 - ii. Steve Serasis discussed the option of bringing Spinnaker and “Green Dream” together.
 - iii. Cece Lampatelli has done research and has concerns that the EPA and /or DEC have not properly enforced limits of use due to contamination. She considers that a residential use will offer opportunities for children to get closer to contaminated areas, P&Z should not approve zone change , and that contamination has not been appropriately dealt with to allow development, and the future liability will be
 - c. East Norwalk Center: no change.
 - d. 124 East Avenue:
 - i. Nick will contact Zvi and will find who is consultant on project to verify protection measures are being taken for Beech tree.
 - e. Norwalk shelter: pending.
 - f. Liquor Permits: Member of the public has concerns regarding liquor permit request on Fort Point Street. Petitions need to be filed by October 1st.
 - g. East Avenue Reconstruction:
 - i. Public input into design was discussed, and the importance of public activity. Steve Serasis suggests public forum with Mayor.
 - ii. Press release, Channel 12 public forum on the news.
 - h. Safe Routes to School: no activity:
6. Adopt-a- Spot and Urban Forest Issues: not discussed
7. Union Park improvements: Marija states that 1st taxing district is making improvements to the slope below St. Philip Church. Plantings designed by Peter Viteretto.
8. Board only portion of meeting:
 - a. By-laws approved to remove term limits.
 - b. Laurel Lindstrom reelected as board member.
 - c. Peter Libre as reelected as advisory member.
 - d. Diane Cece reelected as board member.
 - e. Gordon Tully nominated as regular board member by Marija Bryant. All second and in favor.
 - f. Art Santella nominated as advisory board member by Laurel Lindstrom. Second by Marija. All in favor.

g. Sarah Hunter nominated as advisory board member by Laurel Lindstrom. Nick Overall seconds, all in favor.

9. Next Meeting: October 14, 2009 at 7:30.

10. Meeting Adjourned at 10:15