

CRNA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2019, 6:30 –8:00 PM

8540 SPRUCE ST. CORNER LEONIDAS ST., 70118

Present: Julianna Padgett, Nathan Schwam, Meagan Impastato, Elaine Leyda. Gwen Smith

Residents: Elizabeth (“Liz”) Reed

Others: Nicole Bouie

Meeting was called to order at approximately 6:30 PM, with a quorum present.

New Business:

- **Joe Giarrusso Updates on STR Proposal** –
 - o Homestead Exemption requirement.
 - Hopes for better enforcement by the city on
 - o Density Requirements – None.
 - o Enforcement – unclear regarding which entity and funding. Council woman Moreno has found potential funding for enforcement
 - o STRs to be taxed at 6.25% (must be ratified by the voters on Orleans Parish) hotels tax to be increased by 1%.
 - o Proposal one off-street parking spot for every 2 bedrooms – it was noted that there appears to be no parking requirements on the larger units.
 - o STR monies to help fund “infrastructure,” no longer for affordable housing—it was noted that the council lacks clarity on what the term, “infrastructure,” also whether any changes to further define and or change what the term
 - o Updated BGR report from last month.
- **Financial Report:** given by Nathan Schwam, Treasurer of the Board, there is \$2,855.00 in the account + the \$1,000.00 that came from the Tricentennial Grant.
- **Porch Fest** – to be this fall & we need volunteers & porches.
- **Glass Recycling Project** – Updates provided by Julianna Padgett, she, Alex Wagner-Romero & JC Wagner-Romero observed efforts. First one to be staged on May 25 from 9-noon. And is asking for volunteers to help one Sat./month, donations of large containers and vehicles. Location TBD, somewhere with enough parking & shade.
- **Elayne Leyda** – mentioned potentially getting together another time during the month to have a few beers or lunch just to chat.
- **Update from Steven from the mayor’s office** – The mayor’s perspective on the Parks millage is that it will get Audubon to give up money and split it with the other agencies—Fair Share.

Announcements:

- **FREE Suicide Prevention Training May 17, 2019, 10AM-1PM** – Training will be provided by Mercy. All are invited to attend & partake in snacks.
- **Summer Camp begins June 3, 2019** – If you want to sponsor a kid the cost is \$350.00 for 6 weeks.
- **Reminder May 21, 2019 Meet & Greet for Carlos Zervigon, Candidate, State Rep. Dist. 98 hosted by Bill Ives & Cindy Morse at their home, 8601 Zimpel St.** - Come to meet the candidate and mingle with neighbors in their beautiful home and yard.
- **How to Join CRNA:** You can register on our website with a donation and/or you can register to our email list to receive blog updates. Visit CRNA-nola.org. Also, our updates are posted on the Nextdoor App.
- **Next meeting will be Thursday, ~~May 9~~ June 13, 2019.**

Respectfully submitted,
Meagan Impastato, Board Secretary