

## **NANA Board Meeting Minutes for October 10, 2023 at NAM Cafeteria**

Meeting called to order by Sarah Koucky at 6:35 pm.

**Approval of minutes** from previous meeting (September 12, 2023). Motion to approve minutes, seconded. Motion approved.

**District 4 Report** – Office Crutcher and Lt. Lander. No shootings this past month. Still some car break-ins – mostly Hyundais and Kias. All other crime is down. Dealing with managers of a couple of apartment complexes that have crime issues. Car windows broken on Victory Parkway side. People are advised to call the police when this occurs so can be included in crime statistics and whether there are any trends in the neighborhood. Several questions were brought up – chickens in Seasongood Park which belong to the house on the corner. You need approval from the Health Department (Writ of Confidence - that you will abide by rules of Health Department) before you can have chickens in your yard. Blair Ave. (near new apartment building off Reading Rd) seems to be an open-air drug market. Police know about this but are short-staffed. Some places are worse. Howdy Car Wash has been purchased by another company and is still not operating.

**Zoning – Master Plan – Walter Koucky** – We are getting funded for Master Plan – one year schedule – we are preparing comments now to add to the structure of the plan, like walkability, reforestation. Meet once a month at Rec Center. Can also be involved on a more limited basis. Victory Business Update – construction on Asmaan & Victory Parkway – building a retaining wall. This was not something in the original plan, but due to NA & Paddock Hills efforts they are building this wall. Eric Russo from Hillside Trust says that it is an excellent retaining wall and has drainage.

Looking to clean up sidewalks between Washington Triangle and Vine on Clinton Springs. Looking for creative way to get people to adopt a street or area to keep these areas up. There are two women who go out once a week around the Belvedere to collect trash and keep things looking good. Also, some trashcans are missing from corners in the area. City takes some away and won't put them back.

**NABA – Maura Wolf** – Tentative NABA meeting on November 6th @ 6:30 pm. Applying for \$3,700 grant to support banner program and flowerpots and gardening supplies. Looking for new leadership so if anyone knows someone who might be interested, refer to Miles Wolf.

**Law & Safety – Carolyn Gillman** – Stop sign at Clinton Springs & Mitchell – people still not stopping. Carolyn recommended a flashing stop sign to get people to notice the stop sign. They are solar powered. It would be \$800 to install. Motion presented to allow NANA to spend \$800 for this stop sign. Some discussion about whether the flashing lights would be intrusive and whether this is something that is necessary. It would protect pedestrians crossing over Mitchell and also slow down traffic on Mitchell. Motion to purchase – motion approved.

**Membership Drive – Sarah Koucky** – Moving membership drive to begin in November. In past NANA has sent a letter with return envelope. Trying to do everything more electronically, Board discussed doing normal paper drive this year and adding a QR code which will present pie charts of revenues and expenses. Also would have link to website so that they can donate electronically. Cost is estimated at \$3,000 for postage, envelopes, etc. Executive Board approved this last week. Last year, sent out to 1,000 people last year and received about \$5,000. Potentially next year trying to do all electronic. We can monitor how many people use the QR code. Also hoping to get a Donate button in online newsletter so

other kinds of donations can be designated to the correct source. Question about whether we will be mailing to entire North Avondale neighborhood. Will send out letters to memberships (about 1,200 households). List Serves need to be current. Will look into the cost. Motion to spend \$3,000 on membership drive, motion seconded and motion is approved.

**Speaker – Scott Breloff, NIOSH Safety**, a mechanical engineer who has a lot of experience researching accidents with roofers and what to look for when hiring a roofing contractor. He now works at NIOSH where focus is construction safety.

**Meeting Adjourned – 7:50 pm**