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HISTORIC BREWERS HILL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017

Place: Beerline B Community Room, 1710 N Commerce Street

- **Call to Order**

- President Booth called meeting to order at 6:30PM

- **Roll Call**

- Board Present: Dewayne Bishop, Larry Roffers, Dan Olson, Molly Booth, Terry Mambu Rasch, Rick McGuire, Scott Carlson, Sarah Zirbel Nowak, Ashley Booth
- Board Absent: Jamison Klinkner
- Meeting Guests: John Chisolm, Jeremy Arn, Officer Lammers
- Members Present: Brian Schweppe, Mary Eastwood, Marcia Nesbitt, Eric Tallmadge, Laura Kremer, Joe Kremer, Dan Frame, Tracy Estock, Tim Baldwin, Elizabeth Sedita, Trevor Santarius, Mary Tysen, Scott Tysen, Jim Nelson, Suzanne Knox, Roger Coehn, Todd Siefert
- Non-Members Present: Chris Walczak, Shem Sippel, Kristin Hinds, Kathleen Torres, Manuel Torres, Ray Hill

- **Treasurer's Report & Membership Update**

- Review of association's financial accounts and current membership.
 - General Fund: \$4,657.13; Signage Fund: \$308.12
 - Membership Numbers: 106

- **Secretary's Report**

- Review of June 19th regular meeting minutes.
 - Minutes on www.historicbrewershill.com
 - No discussion

- **Guest Speakers**

- Milwaukee District Attorney John Chisholm
 - Philosophy behind community prosecution
 - Around year 2000, applied for federal funding to change approach. Use experience as prosecutors and take it back to the neighborhoods to identify and find solutions to prevent offenses. Started with nuisance properties but expanded to working with residents. Base ADAs with police stations with team members from corrections, dept. of Neighborhood services etc.

- Partnered with community members to understand the dynamics of the neighborhoods in which they serve.
- Only DA's office in the state with community prosecutor's office.
- Funded by federal grants from the DOJ and community block grants from the city. Funding has decreased in the last year and several districts have lost team members.
- Pulled back into a reactive model with lack of funding, opposed to a proactive approach to find solutions before problems arrive.
- Marquette, Harley, Miller working together for Near Westside Partnership to support the police and develop relationships in their community.
- Commitment to serve the community in the community. Inly way to solve long term problems.
- Prevention and intelligent intervention first suppressive action last resort.
- Heroin epidemic is increasing. To illustrate:
 - Vietnam war U.S. casualties were 58,220 over 7 years of conflict
 - Auto deaths peaked in 1972 at 57,000
 - Firearms deaths peaked in 1993 at 48,000
 - AIDS related deaths peaked in 1995 at 45,000
 - There were more than 64,000 overdose deaths in 2016 alone.
- Can we use technologies more effectively to stop issues like mobile drug dealing? Information is not intelligence, all data gathered needs to be analyzed.
- Reverse pyramid of prosecution. i.e. 10,000 cases to 5,000 suspects to 2,000 presentable suspects to 800 charges brought to 500 convictions. But if the main players are taken out of circulation, many problems can be stemmed.
- Need balanced patrol and investigative roles of policing.
- Telecommunications companies are sort of cooperative on stopping drug numbers, but laws will be needed to allow that to continue. Milwaukee is on the cutting edge of that effort.
- MPD District 5 Community Prosecutor Jeremy Arn
 - Mobile drug dealing was a major focus for the last year since meeting at St. Marcus with neighborhood.
 - Car break-ins trending up in many neighborhoods in the city, not just BH.

- Information is lifeblood of cases. Need residents to keep reporting everything so long-term cases can be made. Diligence and patience from community is needed but understandably hard to sustain.
- MPD District 5 – Crime & Safety Update by Officer Lammers
 - Property Crime incidents as requested at last D5 Safety Meeting (property crime is defined as auto break-ins, home break-ins and property taken from autos or homes).
 - 2014 – 49 incidents
 - 2015 – 50 incidents
 - 2016 – 43 incidents
 - 2017 – 59 incidents
 - Increased patrolling cannot discourage all crimes, perpetrators are alert enough to avoid detection by most patrols. Cases sometimes come down to luck.
 - Residents need to keep valuables out of cars or out of view, can't rely on police alone to keep cars safe. Most break-ins happen because they see something in your car, even as little as a charging cord.
 - d5drugcomplaints@milwaukee.gov is the direct email for drug complaints.
 - Multiple officers receive that information.
 - Call 911 as well as email to make sure data points are collected.
 - Data gathering connects persons of interest over time and allows cases to be built and hopefully broken eventually. Can take 2 to 3 years in many cases to gather enough evidence and recruit informants.
- **Development, Licenses & Permits Update**
 - Ray Hill with King Drive BID
 - Former Value Village reopening as Community Warehouse. "Members" get exclusive discounts.
 - Pete's Fruit Market is now open
 - Open 8 to 9
- **New Business**
 - Fall 2017 – HBHA Event Schedule
 - Thursday Sept. 28 – Transit oriented development study meeting
 - \$750,000 grant to study street car extensions up MLK and down 1st.
 - Milwaukee Marathon – Saturday Oct. 14
 - Down Commerce to Pleasant and through Schlitz park
 - Neighborhood pavilion to cheer on participants
 - Carver teachers' lounge refresh Friday Oct. 13 and Sat. Oct. 14.

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- Need volunteers to help
 - Trick or Treat – Tuesday October 31
 - Meet at 5:30 pre-party then trick or treat
 - Head out with map of participating houses
 - Tuesday Nov. 7 – Last meeting of the year
- 2018 HBHA Membership Dues
 - Dues same since start of association 36 years ago.
 - Association will set a defined budget rather than spending on the fly based on available funds.
 - Email will be sent out with advisory vote request so members can voice opinions and guide the board's decision making.
- Society 6 – Historic Brewers Hill Merchandise Rollout
 - Many products available, with two current logos
 - Very close to cost on all items, any markup returns to the general fund.
 - Additional logos in the future could come from neighborhood members or voting at events.
 - Direct URL is www.Society6.com/hbha
 - Link can also be found on historicbrewershill.com
- **Neighbor Comment**
 - No Comments
- **Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date**
 - Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Guest speaker and meeting location TBD.
- **Adjournment**
 - Motion made by Dewayne Bishop 8:02pm, Molly Booth second, voice vote – all ayes.