



Meeting Notes: Economic Development Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 21st, 2016 7:00 PM

Fischman's Liquors, 4780 N. Milwaukee Avenue

- 1) Welcome and Introductions – Ryan Richter
- 2) Committee Updates (For more specific details regarding committee meetings, see most current committee meeting notes)
 - a.** Bylaws – Marie MacDonald - Upcoming meeting set for next week
 - b.** Community Development – Susanna Ernst - See current committee meeting notes
 - c.** Fundraising & Service – Robb Van Hook
 - i.** Olive's Garden
 - 1.** Recent fundraiser was a success
 - 2.** JPF Pub Crawl raised additional funds for the garden
 - 3.** Volunteers are still needed
 - ii.** Next committee project: Joined Hands, a collaborative project among Our Lady of Victory, St. John's Lutheran, and St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry. JPF will collect for the food drive; efforts will take place over the next six months. Page for the committee will be posted on website.
 - d.** Livability – Heidi Osterhout
 - i.** Twitter drive for the Metra clean up was a raging success
 - ii.** Seed bombing will be one of the potential next projects
 - iii.** Several aps available that could be used to report garbage/other issues to the city
 - iv.** Chicago Clean and Green was a success; over 20 people turned out
 - e.** Social – Rolando Rodriguez / Jenny Conlon – no updates for now

- 3) **Leslie Perkins**, representing the alderman's office, presented projects for the Participatory Budgeting Voting process. This information can be found here: <http://ward45.org/your-ward/pb-45/>. Voting will be Saturday, May 7th, from 9:30 – 1:30 PM at the Wilson Park Field house. Early voting will be held during office hours at Alderman Arena's Office, 4753 N. Milwaukee. Questions were posed about the trees: Pricing (over \$500) is based upon the size and type of trees, as well as labor to plant. The types have already been selected.
- 4) Key Speaker: Alice O'Laughlin, Jefferson Park neighbor from Anne Roberts Gardens, <http://www.annerobertsgardens.com/>, presented designs for small backyards.
- 5) New Business –
 - a.** Tom Lang announced a Roberts Square Clean and Green, 11-1 Saturday
 - b.** Tricia Lombardo announced a Chamber Clean and Green, April 30th, location to be determined
 - c.** Rolando Rodriguez announced the Final Indoor Farmer's Market at Fischman's Annex – Sunday 24th 10-2
 - d.** Reminder that the Fringe Fest Fundraiser is Thursday, May 19th from 7:00 PM to 10:30 PM at the Filament Theater
 - e.** Check the JPF calendar on our website at www.jeffersonparkforward.net for all upcoming events
 - f.** CMAP (Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning) will be attending our June meeting
- 6) Next meeting: Thursday, May 19th, 7:00 PM at Fischman's.