Seminary Ridge Civic Association (SRCA) Meeting Minutes September 24, 2020

In Attendance: Jeanne Jacob, President; Nick Giannotti, First Vice President; Kate Hennigan, Second Vice President; Elizabeth McIntyre, Secretary; Mike Souza, Parliamentarian; Don Frahler, Past President; Beth Chase, St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School (SSSAS), CFO; Paul Judge, SRCA Representative to Seminary Hill Association (SHA); and Susan Clark-Sestak, Chairman Communications Committee.

Call to Order - Jacob called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Secretary's Report – McIntyre

- -Draft minutes of September 20, 2020 Annual Meeting were circulated before the meeting and approved by the Board. The will be included in the next newsletter to the SRCA.
- -Provided update on publishing of directory that is expected in early November.

Treasurer's Report - Browne

-Approximately 20 additional members have paid their dues. Reminder notices are typically sent out half way through the year.

SHA Report - Judge

- -Judge is willing to continue as SHA Rep. for the year. Giannotti may also attend meeting and will act as alternate.
- -Discussed Strawberry Run issue and progress with the City staff identifying approximately 40 trees to be saved that would have been removed. Jacob noted that two families have been contacted by the City and project is proceeding.
- -Affordable housing issue involving the Seminary Road firehouse near Picket Street.
- -Street diet issues being considered for the Duke Street corridor.

SSSAS Update - Chase

- -Will continue as representative to SRCA Board for the year.
- -The Upper School will host an outside Halloween event for the Lower School children.

Welcome Committee – McIntyre

-Looking for a new Chair.

- -Asked Block Captains and Hennigan, as a realtor, to notify committee of new owners.
- -Will provide directories to new families with a letter of introduction from SRCA Board.

Beautification Committee – Jacob

-Looking for a new Chair.

City of Alexandria Liaison – Jacob

- -Newly established position to meet with City officials on issues of importance to SRCA.
- -Joe Sestak has agreed to fill this position.

Communications Committee – Clark-Sestak

- -Establish SRCA email account of SRCANews@gmail.com; password: 4communication.
- -Access will be granted to Board members and Clark-Sestak
- -Work with Secretary to publish monthly newsletters.
- -Will research tools, including Constant Contact, to easily communicate with members.

SRCA Events – Hennigan

- -Will lead and coordinate volunteers with support from Jacob for all SRCA events.
- -Nicki Gray volunteered to assist Hennigan celebrate Halloween IAW CDC guidance.

Ideas: Home decorating contest; Board Members to bag candy and set up tables in Cul-de-sacs; give away small pumpkins vice candy; Establish one-way walking route with arrows.

SRCA Board Meeting Dates – Jacob

- -First Thursday of the Month at 7:30 PM.
- -Next meeting October 1, 2020 at 7:30 PM.

Old Business – Jacob None.

New Business – Jacob None.

Adjourn Meeting – Jacob adjourned meeting at 8:34 PM