



ROLAND PARK

Minutes of Civic League Monthly Board Meeting

Location: Hybrid – Roland Park Presbyterian and Zoom

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

7 p.m.

Agenda:

1. Routine Business
 - a. *In our Community! Welcome Amanda Brown, Principal, Roland Park Elementary Middle School*
 - b. *Approval of September Minutes*
2. Old Business
 - a. *Reports from Agency liaisons*
 - i. *Dept of Planning: Marie Anderson*
 - ii. *DPW: Anthony Green*
 - b. *RPCL Budget Report—General Discussion*
 - c. *Partnership with RP Presbyterian re: donations to St. Vincent de Paul*
3. Committee Reports
4. Adjourn

“The Roland Park Civic League is a civic governing body that addresses matters affecting the interests of residents. Its purpose is to foster the common good and welfare of its members, to take action on those matters of mutual interest, and to otherwise represent the people of Roland Park.”

Minutes:

Convene:	7:02 PM
Adjourn:	8:32 PM

1. Routine Business

Agenda Item	Notes and Comments
In our Community! Welcome Amanda Brown, Principal, Roland Park Elementary Middle School	<p>Amanda Brown, RPEMS Principal was welcomed back and spoke until 7:30 under “In Our Community”. Her main focus: fundraising, with the Fall Running Festival in a few weeks. Kathy H. suggested a link be added to next e-letter, https://www.rolandparkannualfund.com/projects. “Same Book, Next Chapter” is the theme for their continuing Library Initiative, an 80K goal remains. Mention was made of the Fence restoration project, too.</p> <p>The group discussed the structures for RPCL and RPEMS engagement and its recent history. Principal Brown also added that RPCL President & VP, Eddie’s, Councilwoman Middleton, et al. met with RPEMS Principal in early 2020. She recognized that work had occurred separately since then, acknowledging new ongoing communication w/Eddie’s. The RPEMS PTA and Principal want to restart discussions on DEI initiatives with the same parties. An RPEMS Equity Action Team now in place handling incident reporting and follow-up action/s.</p> <p>A question was asked about the new routine with drop off lanes on Roland Avenue. Ms. Brown explained they have begun using orange cones to prohibit parking and create a drop off lane. A team of staff assists there before and after school, when double parking tends to occur. Police visit intermittently to assist. She also mentioned tents now on campus contributed by parents to facilitate students eating lunch outside since the pandemic.</p> <p>In closing, a request to keep community eyes on the campus after hours as graffiti has become a problem along with congregating groups leaving trash behind.</p>
Approval of September Minutes	N/A – no quorum

2. Old Business

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Reports from Agency liaisons i. Dept of Planning: Marie Anderson ii. DPW: Anthony Green	<p>Several city agency reps. were present for introductions/updates all good. The group discussed street cleaning in RP. Anthony Greene/DPW discussed the ongoing activities with RPCL, his insights and experience in tonight’s comments bode well for RP and surrounding neighborhoods in his newly assigned role/district.</p>
RPCL Budget Report—General Discussion	<p>With Dan Reck, Treasurer absent the budget discussion was deferred until next month.</p> <p>Andrew M. pointed out that existing contracts are the only work occurring under Maintenance. He mentioned the frequent connection with the RPCL President and reminded everyone that path repairs and other needs are many, but on hold.</p> <p>Of note, Anthony Green/DPW was still present and suggested the City has funds we may be able to apply for to cover some of the items on Andrew’s wish list; Mr. Green will share opportunities in the near future. He advised the City is well funded but understaffed, with lots of open positions to fill.</p>

Partnership with RP Presbyterian re: donations to St. Vincent de Paul	Call to support the Presbyterian Church's collection efforts to help formerly unhoued individuals stock their new homes. Flyer attached. Link is here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a45afaf2ea13-theresource
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3. Committee Reports

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Master Plan Committee	Martha Holleman earlier reported the Master Plan Commission intends to be part of the discussions with RPEMS-RPCL engagement.
Landscape Committee	Kathy Hudson indicated no report other than they were waiting on additional trees. Volunteers continue to tend to the beds in front of the Wells Fargo Bank branch on Roland Avenue.
Maintenance Committee	Andrew Marani reported there are not sufficient funds to undertake new maintenance projects; they are finishing those in process.

4. Ad Hoc Discussions

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Question H	A neighbor presented Question H appearing on November's ballot, re: vote to return BCPD to City agency from long-standing State control. A robust discussion took place.

5. Motions

Motion	Result
Approve September Minutes	No vote due to lack of a quorum

Attendance:

1. Board Member Attendance

In Attendance	Total	Quorum?
6	18	No

Position	Board Member	Attendance
President	Claudia Diamond	No
First Vice President	Tom Hoen	No
Second Vice President	Ed Goodlander	No
Secretary	David Fitzpatrick	No
Treasurer	Dan Reck	No
Plat 1 Representative	Alisya Davis	Yes
Plat 1 Representative	Ann-Barron Carneal	Yes
Plat 2 Representative	Steven Ralston	No
Plat 3 Representative	Ken Rice	Yes
Plat 4 Representative	Tim Hreha	No
Plat 5 City Representative	Andy Niazy	No
Plat 5 County Representative	Rachel Dawson	Yes
Plat 6 Representative	David Blumberg	No
At Large A	Raman Tallamraju	No
At Large B	Cara Kohler	Yes
At Large C	Veida McCampbell	No
At Large D	Martha Holleman	Yes
At Large E	Rita Walters	No
Roads & Maintenance President	John Morrel	No

2. Notable Guests:

Amanda Brown, Principal, Roland Park Elementary Middle School

Baltimore City Agency liaisons:

- Dept of Planning: Marie Anderson
- DPW: Anthony Green