



Humboldt Park Friends General Meeting- Agenda

April 4th, 2024

IN ATTENDANCE:

Myron Thomsen, Maryanne Loppnow, Richard Kling, Laureen Stirmel, Susan Catral, Ignacio Catral, Lynn Goldstein, Bonnie Weidert, Harv Vollriede, Steve Lucia, Gary Hollander, Jane LeCapitaine, Linda Luber

7:00 pm General meeting, call to order,

Traffic and Safety

Peter Bratt, director of operations offered removal of south flag pole and flood light at lagoon update. It was voted yes for the removal of the south flag pole because that is safety hazard and no for the removal of the flood light because it still is operational and is used when we are lucky enough to have skating.

Events

Egg Hunt update- Thanks to Laureen, Dani and all volunteers for another successful event. The Lions said they did well on the Breakfast. With the help of the gift cards from McDonald we received back over 5,000 eggs to use next year.

Thank yous have been sent to the volunteers and donors. Next years date is Saturday April 12th and is being held for HPF's.

April 27th Spring Clean up update-Myron- Kyle guide a bird walk at 8am. Clean-up from 9 am to 12. Laureen will send a reminder to the park staff. Iggy will secure equipment. Myron will bring volunteer release forms. Will bring HPF shirts and sign up sheets. Hope to be outside at the front of the pavilion. Next to get message out regarding the Bird Walk & Clean up.

April 7th Pours For Parks, volunteering update - The last time slot for the event was canceled due to low sales, hopefully this event will be a last minute sell. We will take Pad, sign, Jazz information and HPF shirts. Piggy & Susan will do 10 to 1, Steve and Patrick will do 1 to 4. I will come around 12:30

April 23rd Indeed Brewing event 4:00 to 8:00 - We will wait until after the Pours for Park event to decide if we will participate in this event. The location is 530 South 2nd north of national.

The Parkticipation Celebration on Saturday June 22nd Kyle in for 8:00 bird walk. This event is with MKE Rec, Bublr Bikes and The Park People. Scheduled bike rides, yoga and a guided walk. There will be snack & drinks supplied by TPP and free bikes to use. 8 am – 1 pm. More information to follow.

April 13th – Milwaukee Marathon – Roads to close at 6am check schedules the Maratons end in Humboldt Park.

Jazz at the Vine- Ignacio (Food truck and sponsor updates) - Jazz has 4 of the 8 night sponsors secured. Marina is one of the sponsors, Cafe Central, Mind Pool and Peter Adams. GTO is interested in providing a food truck service, but first would like to see what business will be in the pavilion.

Fourth of July Parade: Steve will enter and use his car for the parade. Lauren will send in the permit and donation:

This year Iggy suggested that if we could secure a trailer or a truck with a flat bed we could have a little jazz group in the parade. Any information would be appreciated.

Fundraising-Gary – We need to start another campaign with the scope and vigor of the 100 Trees for Humboldt Park was. Fund raisers need to be coordinated. Contact the membership more and show them appreciation. We live in a culture of asking for donations. Board member donations also need to be made and stated.

We need yo become more comfortable in asking people for donations. We can also ask for people to donated their skills to help the park. We should learn more

about our park presently and its history. Let's ask people to fall in Love with the park and create a grand vision to present.

Ignacio wants to create a physical Tree Recognition Plaque for the donors of the 100 for Humboldt Park. He is experimenting with a wood engraving concept. Would like a line map where all the trees have been planted and names listed. He is starting at Makers Space and has gone to the MCP's lumber yard.

Conservation

Pollinator-Gary – The MMSD pollinator sale will be occurring but we are not ready at this point to purchase. We need to establish what we are going to do first.

Henry and Linda have measured the front of the pavilion area and checked out the sun patterns. They would like the burning bushes removed, they are invasive and are covering up some unique windows.

Maryanne mentioned the Humboldt School Spaghetti dinner on April 12th is a fund raiser to work on the drainage problem to help the neighborhood. They are asking for donors to purchase stone pavers with a message to help the cause. If we need an area that would benefit from this type of pavers it could be an idea to use.

War Memorial Monument: The Eagle has been restored gently. They went ahead before getting the okay.

General Information: Molson Coors has started a campaign with the Parks Foundation to match \$250,000.00 . Will have to look further into this.

All the trees on Howard were taken down to widen the streets. Such beautiful trees.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned 7:59 pm.