

Highland Park Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting MINUTES April 17, 2024

In Attendance	Absent
Bob Thompson, Chair Roger Ramsay, Treasurer Roxanne Townsend, Communications Glen Coykendahl, East Section Leader Stacey Bershod, North Section Leader Larry O’Heron, South Section Leader Tom Slothower, at large	

Agenda

1. Treasurer’s Report - Roger

- a. March 2024 Financials – Roger to email directly to Board
 Bob asked to show 2 months side by side for comparison in future reports.
 Bob will send out February 2024 financials for approval via email
 Moved for acceptance of the report by Roxanne, seconded by Larry, carried

2. Communications – Roxanne

- a. Website
 Some of the websites older pages are no longer compatible with the updated version of Wordpress. This has yet to have an impact on functionality. Roxanne is monitoring it.
 The WP Forms plug in will renew in June at a cost of approximately \$400. Roger will forward the debit card information to Roxanne so that it can be set up on auto pay. Other domain names are already on auto renew with a valid payment method.

Roxanne submitted these notes:

- Go Daddy had a recent WordPress update. The live website looks fine but some pages are throwing errors when trying to update. Simple solution is just redoing the text and images into new format since our website is pretty simple overall.
- Historic District Info Mtg sign up added 4/16/24
- In process – Volunteer Webpage and signup form
- Renewals

Domain: highlandparkrochester.org – 6/3/2024

Domain: highlandparkrochester.com – 8/3/2024

Content Management System: Managed WordPress Deluxe – 10/11/2024

Security: Website Security Essential – 10/15/2024 and Standard SSL – 10/16/2024

Licensed Addons for Website: WPForms Pro – 6/2/2024

- b. Membership process update – Roger & Roxanne
 Roger stated little progress on this project has been made.

3. PCIC – Sector 6 & 7 (April 10, 2024) – Summary Below

PCIC Meeting Notes for April 10, 2024

Captain Jason Elwood’s Report

Y-T-D numbers

	2024	2023	4 Year Average
Burglaries	45	35	25
Robberies	12	7	10
Aggravated Assault	1	1	3
Larcenies	201	276	240

Regarding the Police Entrance Exam:

967 people signed up
 800 people took the written test
 534 people advanced to the next level of testing – physical exam

Regarding staffing at the SW Neighborhood Service Center, Lieutenant Michael Cotsworth will be retiring in April. Lt. Rob Wilson will take over his responsibilities in addition to his work in the Southeast.

Officer Adam Johnston’s Report

Violent Incidents

March 17. Mt. Hope & Ford Street. Backpack stolen.
 Movie Theater Clinton & Goodman. Car theft from parking lot.
 March 22. 150 Mt. Hope. Violent patient
 March 23. Robbery at Dollar Tree on Elmwood Ave. 2 arrested.
 March 22. 500 South Ave. RFD disarmed suspect. Medical event.
 Monroe Ave. Subway – theft and tied up the clerk

Burglaries

Suspects entered 2 unlocked garages.
 Suspects enter homes via windows.

Vehicle larcenies

15 vehicles experienced larcenies. 14 were EWOB (Entry With Out Break)
 Gym bags are the #1 things stolen.
 On 4/9, 12 cars were broken into at the Village Gate parking lots despite enhanced private security. Most thefts are not reported.

Stolen Vehicles

25 stolen. All were Kia or Hyundai. Hyundai are preferred targets. Most cars have been recovered. Go to Crime Mapping on the City of Rochester website to see locations.

Captain Gabriel Person

Crime Prevention Officers will have a visible presence at the Lilac Festival
 Lt. Wilson will conduct PAC TAC Training on April 16.

Erica Hernandez:

Clean Sweep is May 4th.

4. NBN6 – Stacey

Discussion about the Mayor’s presentation at NBN6. He addressed the upcoming EPA mandated reservoir project, mental health, and gun violence. Meeting was well attended w/about 80 people. Stacey, Glenn, Roxanne, and Bob attended from the HPNA Board.

5. ZAP / Zoning update

ZAP team is assembling a summary of the suggestions made for the zoning alignment project. There will be two limited opportunities for public input before it is passed.
 Bob participated in a study group regarding STR (Short Term Rentals). These are non-owner properties that are being rented out for less than 30 days – AirBNB etc. Regulations requiring licensing/ permitting and a certificate

of occupancy will be required. In Low Density Residential (LDR) districts, representing the majority of HPNA, STR's will be prohibited. In Medium density districts (MDR) the proposal is leaning toward allowing 1 every 1000 feen. In Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU) they will be allowed. As regulations and C of O requirements are new to STR, it's doubtful that any AirBnB's will be allowed as a non-conforming preexisting use.

6. Other / New Business

a. Elwanger & Barry Playground Sandbox

HPNA received a donation to fund the sand in the playground sandbox. The City will coordinate delivery and installation of it when weather allows

b. Linden – Meigs Street Painting

The Toomb's have volunteered to undertake coordinating and soliciting volunteers for the repainting of the street around the playground. Planned completion in 2025.

c. HPNA Banners

Lengthy discussion about the condition of street banners and what alternatives may be available.

Current condition of the banners:

HPNA BANNERS		17-Apr-24
CONDITION	S Goodman St	
OK	1100 S Goodman St	Navy
BRACKET ONLY	1034 S Goodman St	Blk Cherry
OK	1014 S Goodman St	Spruce
BRACKET ONLY	978 S Goodman St	Blk Cherry
BRACKET ONLY	928 S Goodman St	Spruce
BRACKET ONLY	890 S Goodman St	Blk Cherry
GONE	858 S Goodman St	Navy
BRACKET ONLY	782 S Goodman St	Spruce
OK	749 S Goodman St	Navy
OK	729 S Goodman St	Blk Cherry
South Ave.		
BRACKET ONLY	1100 South ave.	Navy
NEEDS REPAIR	1056 South ave.	Blk Cherry
NEEDS REPAIR	990 South ave.	Spruce
S. Clinton		
OK	1235 S Clinton Ave.	Blk Cherry
OK	1259 S Clinton Ave.	Navy
Gregory St.		
could not install	395 gregory St	Navy
South Ave		
OK	862 South ave.	Blk Cherry
BRACKET ONLY	900 South ave.	Spruce
So. Clinton Ave.		
GONE	1051 S Clinton Ave.	Navy
OK	709 S Clinton Ave.	Navy
GONE	809 S Clinton Ave.	Spruce
GONE	999 S Clinton Ave.	Spruce

Bob will investigate cost to replace the existing banners

Larry will contact the City to learn about custom Street Sign possibility

Roxanne investigating installation of neighborhood gateway monuments

Will place on agenda for May.

- d. Clean Sweep – S. Clinton Ave, May 4 – Bob / Roger
Bob will act as Captain, Roxanne will post volunteer outreach on Facebook
- e. Mini-Clean Sweep – Elwanger Playground, April 27 – Roxanne
Roxanne will post volunteer outreach on Facebook
- f. Flower City ½ Marathon, April 28
Larry, Stacey and Bob will work a water station the morning of the marathon (and play loud music 😊)
- g. Board Members
Still need additional Board members. Especially important to replace Kiersten as Secretary. Kiersten requested to step aside due to newborn needs (and other family members) Glenn will reach out to a friend that may be willing.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10. Motion by Glenn, Seconded by Roger ... carried