

Panther Heights Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes 24-July-2021

Attendees: Listed on last page.

Agenda: Provided as a separate document

Purpose of Meeting: General Meeting

Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order (motioned) by PHNA President @ 9:06 am
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
2. President welcomed attendees to the meeting, provided opening remarks, and provided a high level overview of the agenda
3. Secretary reviewed prior meeting minutes (27-February-2021) previously emailed to residents
 - a. Call for additions or corrections, none received
 - b. Secretary moved to accept minutes as-is
 - c. President seconded and minutes approved at 9:12am
4. Officer Reports
 - a. President – Betsy Poer (Phase 1)
 - i. Reviewed February meeting minutes and provided feedback to secretary
 - ii. Contacted city representatives for updates on open business
 - iii. Conducted a drive-through of Panther Heights with CM Jordan and TPW Director William Johnson to illustrate the issues impacting PHNA
 - iv. Continued the email drive on NextDoor to increase engagement
 - v. Continued communications to residents of upcoming meetings and other useful information (announcements and new business)
 - vi. Discussed PHNA engagement levels
 1. Engagement numbers are down.
 2. One reason is we are emailing members who have moved and we are not contacting all new and current residents
 3. Spread the word about PHNA to your neighbors including the new ones joining the neighborhood.
 4. President is using NextDoor to engage and get new neighbor emails.
 5. Residents can contact phnainfo@gmail to sign-up for communication emails
 - vii. Invited new Council member and City Liaison to PHNA meeting. They were unable to attend this meeting and will be invited to next meeting

- viii. Provided information regarding the smaller than normal amount of communications from PHNA officers, based on smaller amount of communications from the City and other sources. President expects the amount of communication to increase as the world moves towards a more normal post-pandemic routine
 - b. Vice President – Felicia Manual (Phase 3)
 - i. Continued to track developments around Panther Heights
 - ii. Continued to track traffic, mowing, and traffic signage issues for PHNA
 - iii. Working to make new contacts within the city, including the new Councilmember
 - c. Secretary – Donlen Ruffin (Phase 2)
 - i. Compiled meeting minutes and distributed to residents
 - ii. Participated in the neighborhood drive through with CM Jordan and TPW director Johnson
 - iii. Continued website updates
 - iv. Provided insight that the new city council members would most likely engage with the various neighborhoods in the August timeframe
 - d. Treasurer – Sandra Baldwin (Phase 3)
 - i. President provided comments in this area
 - ii. Current PHNA by-laws provide a \$0 due structure, thus PHNA currently manages a fund of zero (\$0.00), thus no specific report from the treasurer
 - iii. Treasurer suggested a donation drive
 - iv. Vice-President suggested that leadership provide additional information to membership regarding the typical charges required to run PHNA
 - v. No decisions made
- 5. Committee Business
 - a. President working to re-engage the PHNA Crime Committee & increase the COP volunteers
 - b. Some residents have expressed interest. Registration and training with FWPD is required.
 - c. President reiterated the information from February meeting in which the NPO mentioned that PHNA is not an area of concern, but that we should remain vigilant and proactive
- 6. Open Business
 - a. Commercial Trucks and Speeding
 - i. Four entrances to Panther Heights now have no-truck signs posted (entering Phase 3 from Stewart Feltz does not, no alternate routing here)
 - ii. Treasurer notices speeding in Phase 3 continues
 - iii. Member notices that speed is increasing on Rancho Verde
 - iv. Vice President suggested speed radar signs to reduce speeds
 - 1. President reminded members that Councilmember Jordan stated that such a solution has pros and cons

2. President will reach out to NPO for input and guidance
 - v. Secretary commented that speed enforcement will occur soon (August timeframe) and may help solve the issue
 - vi. Attendee spoke on the commercial truck aspect, where some trucks belong to residents.
 1. Asks that before neighbors report an infraction, speak with the neighbor. Maybe there are extenuating circumstances of which neighbors are unaware
 2. This attendee parked in a spot temporarily due to other issues and was immediately reported
 3. President encouraged extending neighborly courtesies and communication
- b. Road Maintenance
- i. Member asked is it possible to stop building round-abouts
 1. President and additional member commented on safety studies related to round-abouts which indicates they are safer than intersections.
 2. President to check into education opportunities on correct round-about usage
 3. It was identified that it is becoming increasingly difficult to move into the round-about
 - ii. Treasurer will check for existence of a no-dumping sign on Stewart-Feltz. If one does not exist, the secretary will request one. A PHNA member spoke with the Code Compliance officer (Bridget Fleming) about the issue and showed them the area in question
 - iii. Erosion barrier on Summer Creek requires maintenance and clean-up. Vice President will track this issue with the city.
- c. Septic Conversions
- i. Membership requested an update on the possibility of connecting Panther Heights homes to a sewer system
 - ii. President received a copy of a petition for this and will continue to look into the possibilities and cost.
 - iii. Neighbors who sign the petition to move forward with sewage conversion will be responsible for the bulk of the cost between them. No general anticipated cost amounts were provided for this project.
 - iv. It is unclear of the impact to residents who do not sign the petition and their options for tie-in at a future date.
 - v. Member provided his perspective on this topic from early PHNA days, and the cost per home was prohibitive
- d. New Water meters
- i. All of PHNA should be completed by now
 - ii. Could not identify any residents that raised a concern

- iii. This item will be closed
 - e. Improved Communication Services
 - i. No progress on this item from last meeting and includes Internet and Cell Services
 - ii. President will continue to work with city leadership on this item
 - f. Zoning Notices
 - i. Hulen Track – Phase 1B (FP-21-047): the development included all the details as negotiated in 2019 (Maintaining existing trees, fencing details, etc.)
 - ii. This is an example of how active PHNA engagement can influence what is built around us
- 7. New Business
 - a. National Night Out is October 5
 - i. President expressed interest in participating, and 2 attendees also expressed interest
 - ii. Follow up conversations will be held. If interested, please contact the PHNA president
 - b. New Zoning Notices
 - i. President mentioned the newly received notices (see agenda)
 - ii. President mentioned that the developers are working to ‘merge’ the following notices into the larger nearby development
 - 1. Summer Crest, Heritage of Faith (PP-20-062)
 - 2. Old Cleburne Crowley Junction (ZC-21-072)
 - c. Will Summer Creek Ranch be extended and widened.
 - i. The Master Thoroughfare Plan (MTP) shows that Summer Creek will be wider and extended further south to Crowley
 - ii. There are no published dates at this time
 - iii. The MTP link: <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/tpw/mtp>
 - d. Natural Gas Service for Panther Heights – is it possible to get gas options in Panther Heights?
 - i. President will contact the city on this item
- 8. Announcements and Communications sent via email to residents (see agenda)
 - a. New Councilmember – District 6 – Dr. Jared Williams, Town Hall scheduled: **Sept. 2**, 6-8 p.m., Chisholm Trail Community Center, 4680 McPherson Blvd. District 6. Topics: Budget, Bond, Redistricting, MyFW App.
 - b. Ongoing – Citizens on Patrol training sessions
 - c. COVID Vaccine Updates
 - d. Redistricting project – must do by fall if we will participate in this project
 - e. Appreciation come and go scheduled for Jungus Jordan 7/31/21
 - f. McPherson extension to Crowley Road beginning, dirt is moving in that area
 - g. Annual PHNA Meeting, October 2021 – proposed date is October 23, 2021
 - i. Officer Elections will be held

- ii. Secretary will mail out information via U.S. Postal mail
 - h. The City Community Engagement website is updated with useful news. The link is <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/communications/engagement>
9. Adjournment
- a. Secretary motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:40
 - b. President seconded
 - c. Motion carried
 - d. Meeting adjourned

Attendees:

Betsy Poer, Bill Erion, Eleanor Erion, Earline Franklin, Patrick Manuel, Alec Baker, Bob Wickline, Ursula McKenzie, Russel Whisenhunt, Steve Baldwin, Sandra Baldwin, Misty Harris, Chris Berardi, Donlen Ruffin