

**Southwest Garden Neighborhood Association
Third Quarter General Membership Meeting
July 22, 2019
5602 Arsenal Street
St. Louis, MO 63139**

Meeting opened at 7:02 pm: Welcome remarks were made by Chuck Fuhry. Chuck commented on the financial status of the organization. Cash on hand is at approximately \$20,000.00. Chuck requested new ideas for various fund raising activities. (If you would like more financial information, check the web site, click the tab “minutes” for both the Board and Membership. There you will be able to see a snapshot of monthly treasurer’s reports.)

Treasurer’s Report: Checking Account \$1,269.12; Savings Account \$18,059.26; Heroes Account: \$641.74. Motion to accept the report as filed was made by Nancy Hightshoe. The motion was seconded by John Gorman. Motion carried.

Minutes: Minutes are available at the entrance. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Jana Scharnhorst. The motion was seconded by Nancy Hightshoe. Motion carried.

8th Ward Alderwoman Report: Reber Place is being re-paved from Brannon to Macklind Avenue. An economic development plan is being developed by the Board of Alderman. The Board of Alderman do not have a great influence over the City budget because discretionary spending is only a small percentage of the total budget.

Alderwoman Rice continued that Walgreens at BMO Harris Bank lot is now open. The Walgreens at Arsenal and Kingshighway is closed. She is looking for input as to the type of business best suited as an addition to this location. Taco Circus is to open soon. The plans of Confluent Development Company are just about complete and the location is almost ready to put up for sale as the BMO Harris Bank and Walgreens development at Kingshighway and Southwest.

Alderwoman Rice continued that Ash trees are being removed due to disease. The access walk with signal from Reber Place to Tower Grove Park has been canceled. Parking on Alfred Avenue is a problem for big events at the Missouri Botanical Gardens. She reports that violence city wide is out of control, but is being addressed. Residents on the 4900 block of Magnolia, are requesting speed humps.

10th Ward Alderman Report: Alderman Joe Vollmer was unavailable.

Shaughnessy Daniels, Great Rivers Greenway: Daniels gave a lengthy presentation on the Chouteau Greenway Project. It will consist of 125 miles of enhanced trails that people may walk, bike and use a wheelchair. This project will connect neighborhoods north and south to this project. The trails will be from Forest Park to the Arch, and Fairgrounds Park to Tower Grove Park. For additional details check out the web site at: www.ChouteauGreenway.org

Cindy Mense, CEO, Trailnet: Trailnet is committed to connecting and improving walking, biking and transit in St. Louis. One of the goals is to make all the streets compatible for people ages 8 to 80. To do this Trailnet employees are involved in advocacy, educational and planning endeavors. For educational or event experiences, check out the website at: www.trailnet.org

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lonny Hewitt. The motion was seconded by Sharon Everett. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Al Jackson, Recording Secretary