

**The Palisades Community Association
Town Hall
Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2022**

The Town Hall of the Palisades Community Association convened via ZOOM on Tuesday, May 17, 2022. PCA President Jenny Wieroniey presiding.

Announcements

- Ukraine signs are for sale for \$10 at the Farmers Market — all proceeds will go to a Polish foundation providing books to refugee children
- Next month (June) is our last Town Hall of the year until October.

Police Report

Officer McElwee gave a traffic and crime report. He can be reached at Anthony.mcelwee@dc.gov. The teen who was arrested for burglarizing multiple homes in the neighborhood is now at home with an ankle monitor on and is being watched very carefully. Office McElwee said they will be monitoring the crosswalk in front of the old Safeway site after receiving multiple complaints of people not stopping for pedestrians. It is a \$250 fine plus points on your license. Office Gibson gave out 198 moving violations last month and Officer McElwee gave out 129. The next PSA Community Meeting is Thursday, May 26, at 6:30pm at the Palisades Library. This is a great chance to meet your local officers.

President's Report

Committee Reports

Transportation: Jack Wells reported DDOT wants to organize an “Open Streets” Event in September. Open Streets is a global initiative that offers communities the opportunity to experience their city streets in a whole new way. Open Streets events temporarily close roadways to vehicles to provide safe spaces for walking, biking, skating, and other social activities. Open Streets encourages business participation for those located on the route, provides a multitude of health and sustainability benefits by encouraging exercise and alternate modes of transportation, and creates opportunities for community-building. They are proposing closing MacArthur from Chain Bridge Rd to Arizona. Jack will keep us updated on the progress of this event.

TCC: Lisa DeBow reported that there were delays due to utility permits and controversy on where the final fence will be until the end of the year. However, work should start any day now. 48th Place will be closed to parking. Monthly updates will be provided by Gilbane and will be posted on the PCA website.

July 4th: Jessica Davis encouraged everyone to start thinking about participating in the parade. The committee will need volunteer to do a variety of duties. She reminded everyone that the PCA plans and pays for it (through fundraising), not the city. A picnic chair is still needed. July

3rd's hoedown will feature a pie eating contest, Bob Perilla's Bluegrass band and free ice cream. The hoedown is 6pm-8pm. Shirts are on sale at the market on Sundays.

Events: Maria Garcia announced that we will be having a concert at Hardy at the end of July. Stay tuned for details. Paltoberfest will be September 18. We are looking for a German band.

Main Streets: Heather Gustafson , the Director of Main Streets, gave a Powerpoint presentation introducing everyone to what Main Streets is and what it hopes to accomplish (see attachment with slides).

Nominating: Vote on new slate for 2022-2023: *Motion by Heather Gustafson and seconded by Jessica Davis to approve the proposed slate. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

President: Jenny Wieroniey
1st VP: Nick Keenan
2nd VP: Jessica Davis
Treasurer: Ken Buckley
Secretary: Karen Schaar

Guest Speaker

Jenn Hatch, a climate Program Analyst with the Department of Energy & Environment, gave a presentation on how DC is becoming climate ready. See attachment for slides.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm
30 people attended