

Springwells Park Association General Meeting  
Wednesday November 20, 2024  
Ford Performing Arts Center

**Call to Order/opening remarks**

**Afan Bapacker**

Afan Bapacker welcomed all and called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm. 13 persons in attendance.

**Secretary's Report**

**Suzanne Urbanski**

Minutes from the September 25 meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept by Cathy Carroll. Motion seconded by Carol McAdam. Motion passed.

**Treasurers Report**

**Mike Iszak**

Treasurers report reviewed. Checkbook balance as of 11/20 is \$28,988. Revenues received through November 15 totaled \$3,230. Expenses totaled \$4,167, including \$3,125 for removal of dead tree in Commons #2. Motion to accept as presented by Cathy Carroll, Motion seconded by Cindy Polakowski. Motion passed.

**Committee Reports**

Deeds Restrictions

**Suzanne Urbanski**

Nothing currently pending.

Parks and Commons

**Cathy Carroll**

- 1) Removed dead tree in Commons #2 and limb on utility pole in Commons #5.
- 2) Reports that the maintenance crew at the apartments are dumping lawn refuse into Commons #2. Afan will send them a letter.
- 3) Recent clean up at Bennington walkway.
- 4) City will trim trees 9' from easement in the spring.

New Neighbors

**Therese Terns**

Lot of new neighbors. Blue Books have arrived so Therese can now meet with new neighbors. She is investigating refrigerator magnets as welcome gift to include in Welcome Packets.

**Old Business**

**Cindy Polakowski**

- Cindy was unable to attend November meeting. Will update at next General Meeting.

- Bennington Park was discussed as Mayor Hammoud is interested in handing responsibility for park back to Springwells Park. Silvio Davis, Neighborhood Liaison, will check with Johathan Golich at City of Dearborn regarding surplus grant money for possible use at Bennington Park.

### **Community Events**

### **Cindy Polakowski**

- The Bonfire was held on October 4 in Commons #5. Very successful event with ~80 people in attendance. SPA plans to continue this as an annual event.
- The Halloween Parade was held on Sunday, October 27, starting at 1:00. Lots of neighborhood participation from both children and parents in the parade and neighbors handing out candy!
- Cindy will investigate a possible bowling event to be held mid-winter.
- Lydia Yeghiazarian is planning another musical evening to be held in her front yard. More info will be available soon.

### **Unfinished Business/open Discussion/Updates**

- Brenda Geiger discussed the upcoming Dearborn Aglow event. The City Beautiful Commission is accepting nominations to honor residents for outstanding holiday décor in front yards and home exteriors. Nominations will be accepted from December 2 – 11.
- The City of Dearborn Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony will be held on Monday, November 25. Attendees will also receive free entry into the Festival of Trees.
- Cindy Polakowski expressed concern over lighting at front of home on Eastham. Silvio Davis advised her to contact the city.
- The next General Meeting will be via Zoom and is scheduled for February 26, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. We are working to secure a guest speaker for this meeting.

### **Closing Remarks/Adjournment**

- Meeting was adjourned by Afan Bapacker at 7:53 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Cathy Carroll. Seconded by Brenda Geiger.