

Minutes of the Executive Board of the Pullman Civic Organization – September 8, 2021

In Attendance: President Rachel Smith, Vice President John Lydon, Treasurer Debbie Newman, Secretary Wyatt Ollestad (also Beman), Zone Directors Tom McMahon (also Labor Day), Harriette Watson, Lynne Collins, Susan Schoephoester, and Megan Lydon (also Beman); Claudia Flores (Membership), Cheryl Briscoe (Education & Welcome), Andy Morgen (Community Improvement), Bob Bushwaller & Beverly Ash-Larson (Vision), Lorraine Brochu (Labor Day); Arlene Echols, John Cwenkala, Mike Shymanski, Teri Gage (NPS)

A quorum having been established, President Smith convened the meeting at 7:41PM.

August Executive Board Minutes were amended to note appointment of Susan Schoephoester to Zone 3 Director.

Motion: To adopt the August Executive Board Minutes, posted and circulated in advance, as amended.
M/S/P (TMcM/JL)

Treasurer reported an Opening balance of \$36,748.71 and a Closing balance of \$36,939.73 for the month of August, broken up as follows: Operating: \$21,085.22; Façade: \$10,808.20; Kirtchner: \$1,614.23; Savings: \$3,432.08. Report will be filed for audit. Further, the Treasurer reported an Opening balance of \$23,003.18 and a Closing balance of \$22,262.14 for the House Tour Fund.

The President announced that content for this month's Flyer is due to the Editor by close of business on Friday.

Membership Committee reported 267 active members to date.

Beman Committee outlined the new Application, Guidelines, and Agreements for the 2022 Façade Reimbursement Program, and announced that a previously forfeited Reimbursement project would be awarded due to its completion to spec and availability of unallocated funds.

Welcome Committee reported that 10 new neighbors have been identified, and that Welcome bags for them are being completed.

Congratulations were given to the Labor Day ad-hoc Committee for its successful efforts in coordinating PCO activities for the Grand Opening.

House Tour reminded that those interested in volunteering for a shift should contact pullmanhousetour@gmail.com

The NPS thanked the PCO, HPF, Garden Club, and all partners and volunteers for their efforts in making the Grand Opening a success.

Old Business:

- Open volunteer opportunities remain
- Thanks were given to the Vice President for assembling an effective Zone Director/Block Captain informational meeting

Community Improvement Committee announced that the streetlights in Arcade Park have recently been painted. It was further announced and with gratitude that two blocks of Champlain Ave. were recently repaved and in time for the Grand Opening, and that the Alderman was able to ensure that the Citgo station property was cleaned up prior to the Grand Opening.

New Business:

- Announcements regarding upcoming events at and pertaining to Lake Calumet and Big Marsh Park will be sent to the Editor for publication in this month's Flyer
- The Pullman Garden Walk will take place on September 19
- Black History Month programming is in its early stages, and volunteers are welcome

Vision Committee presented its report, 'A Vision Forward', and a discussion & feedback session with those gathered followed.

Motion to adjourn at 9:10PM M/S/P (TMcM/ML)