

**Lordship Improvement Association  
Committee/Board of Governors  
Meeting Minutes May 13, 2024**

**Attendees:** Hans Drenkard, John Florian, Karen Kochiss, Emily Viner, Jim Warren. Susan Birge,  
15 residents

**COMMITTEES MEETING**

Meeting called to order 7:00 PM

**Treasurers Report – Susan Birge**

<u>Beginning Balance</u>	\$ 13,929.06
<b>Revenue</b> (\$33,602.26 YTD)	
Memberships (265 YTD), Austin Ganim Donation (\$250)	\$ 400.00
<b>Disbursements</b>	
Roses for Rose Garden	\$ 143.54
Flowers for Ackley Park	\$ 115.00
Aquarion Water	\$ 13.50
Tree protectors	\$ 33.84
Total	\$ 305.88
 <u>Balance</u>	 <u>\$14,023.18</u>

Report Accepted

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

- Water will be added to the food list
- We need format for dessert contest. Local political figures.
- Jim convinced Brian to run the corn hole tournament. Brian was under the impression that it would be elaborate.
- Jim will get sawhorses from police on Friday.
- Jim will recognize the dignitaries. We should see if the LFC has a bullhorn for the announcements.
- Tom will make history presentation, though he expects to have to repeat himself
- Dennis is donating and making French fries in his turkey fryer

**Burgess – Jane Scofield** (report emailed to BoG before meeting)

- No new request since the April status report.
- 2024 –
  - LIA 100th Anniversary, June 23 2024.
  - LFC, OLOP Smokers Party K of C changed to May 24
- 2025 - Awaiting reply from Riann/Edwin Rooney.
  
- Town has approved naming of the Donald Sammis Park to be dedicated the morning of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## **Communications – John Florian**

### LIA WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

- New website articles and social media posts continue, with the posting of an LIA news item or link to a website article at least twice weekly until the LIA's July 17 Annual Meeting.
- The goal is to increase awareness of LIA activities and opportunities to donate and volunteer.
- Recent posts have detailed Lordship tree cutting and planting, the LIA Board's letter about Safeguarding the Bluffs, spring cleanup at LIA gardens, the LIA's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary party and more.
- Coming soon: LIA and Lordship history, the Town's tree planning program, events and more
- Social media posts are made on the Lordship neighborhood section of NextDoor.com, and on the LIA's Facebook group page (302 members), and LIA NEWS blog (126 subscribers).
- In the past 30 days, this activity has brought 775 visits to the LIA website.

### LIA 2025 FUNDRAISING CALENDAR: LORDSHIP IN BLOOM

- Photo submissions are still appreciated for consideration in the LIA's 2025 "LORDSHIP IN BLOOM" Calendar, featuring colorful seasonal photos of Lordship's gardens, flowers, wildflowers, trees and shrubs. Please send submissions to [LordshipIA@gmail.com](mailto:LordshipIA@gmail.com).
- The Calendar Committee will begin selecting photos in June, and the Calendar will be available to purchase by mid-September.

### **Environment and Education –**

- For Earth Day Greensweep, 60 people volunteered from all around the neighborhood
- We would like to have neighbors bring rocks (any size) up from the beach to fill the stairway gutters to suppress poison ivy.
- Thanks to people bringing up driftwood to protect the pollinator pathway from tidal flow sweeping away the mulch.
- Joe has allocated 18 rain barrels available from Aquarion. We need to get a date for distribution.
- Abby deadheaded the daffodils and was very disappointed that they were mowed too soon. Christine, Abby, Hans and Karen K. will put together a plan for planting and protecting next year.

### **Beautification Committee- Karen Kochiss**

- Thanks to all garden teams and Jim and Hans for getting the mulch.
- New roses
- We have a contact for pilings.
- 6 trees installed on esplanades and have designated caretakers
- Charlie suggested changing the lighthouse sign to acknowledge Karen Kochis and Karen Tomscek for their restoration work. The lighthouse will be renamed "Lordship Under the Sea". Susan will provide prior sign procurement information.
- Do we want QR Code for each of the gardens?

### **New Business**

- Jane has contacted two forestry experts
- \$240 for 100 feet of snow fence approved. Jim will procure .
- Hans is pursuing goats for the knotweed.
- Michelle is offering volunteer groups a complimentary tai chi lesson.

### **BOARD MEETING**

Let's limit the speeches to Brian and Laura.

Jane has been talking with elder Lordship residents to be introduced at picnic.

Kevin Kelly referred Jane to an attorney for review of 1947 agreement who referred Jane to further experts. The first attorney's preliminary opinion is that there is little risk for LIA. The relationship between condo association need not be adversarial. We need to get clarity and edify them that the agreement is not void. .

Annual Meeting confirmed for July 17 at OLOP

Next meeting is combined committee BoG Tuesday Jun18. Good weather in Hans' back yard. Rainy weather at Susans house.

Meeting adjourned 8:23 PM