

Tipperary Hill Neighborhood Association
General Meeting
February 7, 2024

Start: 6:32 End: 7:35
Attendance 28

Janice did the welcome

Minutes were unavailable from the last meeting.

A Treasurer's report was given by Kathy Warguleski.

First approval: Ursula Lord

Second approval: Chad Ryan, all were in favor.

SPD- Lt. Dominick of the police took questions from the floor. Biggest thing stressed was do not leave your car running as it is a "crime of opportunity". It was asked about a reported "explosion" on Herkimer St, but he did not know anything about that nor did Syracuse Fire Department. Will check into it.

Beautification- Dave went over the Light up Tipp Hill contest. The 5 winning houses each received a \$20.00 gift card to Emerald Kitchen this year. The Christmas decorations will come down on Thursday at Tipp Hill park and the 2 signs.

The call was put out for calendar pics, especially winter pics. The Tipp Hill website is now live, a few adjustments will need to be made but it is up and running. www.tipphill.org

Shamrock run- we are running about 300 ahead of last year in registrations. We do still need a few volunteers for a few of the corners. Go to www.tipphillrun.com to volunteer.

Tony Williams- Parks Commissioner, new commissioner of Parks. Brought a map of the proposed trail that will end on Tipp Hill. He gave a brief bio on himself. It was announced that Burnet Park will be enclosed this year. Funds have been earmarked for it. Chris Abbott went over the summer program offerings that parks will have. Lifeguards are needed, city residency requirement has been waived. Burnet Park pool will be open this year despite leak which is being evaluated. Swim lessons will again be offered at Burnet as well.

Executive Deputy Chief Rick Kisselstein, SFD, also spoke. SFD saw an increase in fires in 2023, especially for vacant housing. The City now has one ambulance in service, staffed by SFD personnel. A flyer was also brought out with winter hazards, which even with a mild winter is a good reminder. Pellet stoves can be an issue, they need to be kept clean and serviced. You should never use your oven to heat the house, it can cause a fire. Take frequent breaks when shoveling/clearing snow in the winter. Tip, in a snow emergency if your cell is running out of power, change the outgoing message to where you are and where you are going. Anyone calling the phone will get the message and know what/where you are doing even if your phone runs out of power.

Eric Ennis- NYS Developmental site- the RFP for construction has been accepted and contracts are being drawn up. It will be hopefully started in March, with demo completion this year. It will be a traditional demo, not imploded. The lowest bidder was picked so more money can/will be put into infrastructure. Air quality will be monitored by a 3rd party to ensure nothing gets into the air. Eric could not release the name yet. They have also been in contact with the Zoo for this and the safety/well being of the animals is being considered in all plans. Some roads/sidewalks will be built by the City and maintained as city streets.

Storage units- still in planning stages, project may be sold to someone else. Pat Hogan feels that the storage units will not be built, and housing will be done there. We do not have confirmation on that.

David Florist- Home HeadQuarters hopes to break ground in late spring. 4 houses are planned. The hold up is HUD financing. It has not been released yet from the Fed's.

The 3 designs from the Coleridge art project were presented. People were asked to rank them on a form. It is the same artist for all 3.

Scholarship: we encouraged people to spread the word about scholarship application deadline of March 31st. Interested students in our neighborhood association boundaries should speak with guidance counselor about applying or get details on www.tipphill.org

Suggestions were asked for in picking the St. Pat's Honoree. A sheet was posted for suggestions.

The meeting ended.

Next meeting is MAY 1, 2024 at 6:30 in the Burnet Park Rink.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. William
Secretary
Garden Co-Chair
Tipperary Hill Neighborhood Association