

Meeting: Monday, October 24, 2022 Call to order 7:05 PM

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Agenda:

1. Call to Order and Introductions

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Were distributed via email to the distribution list. Motion to accept, after a correction, was approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report: There were no transactions during the month of October. The beginning and ending balance was \$29,975.03. A check for \$6,000.00 from our M&M partnership will be deposited. NJ allowed CGNA to self-generate accounting information. Accounting compilations for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 were submitted and accepted. Bryon used a former accounting firm's format to create the reports.

4. Neighborhood Safety and Security

- a. Any current issues? You must call 911 and get a report number for an incident be officially reported.
- b. Officer Nunez reported on the recent shootings in North Camden at 4th and York Streets. There were no injuries reported and an investigation into the incident is underway. Ofc. Nunez also mentioned CCPD working to strengthen their bond with Camden's residents. She said that street patrols are based on the number of crimes committed in an area, so Cooper Grant, which has fewer crimes, gets less coverage than other areas. She suggested to continue to use the Tipline to report crimes. A resident reported the ABC Barrel Factory Lot gates on Front Street were shifted allowing a large gap between the gates. Ofc. Nunez will report the gates status to Camden's DPW. Officer Nunez will send an update regarding the affected streets. CCPD has assigned a detective to help reduce the thefts of catalytic converters. A suspect has been identified and the detective is sending out wanted flyers
- c. The annual Cooper Norcross Run the Bridge event will occur on Sunday November 6th, starting at 8:00 am. Several streets surrounding the area will be closed starting at 7:00 am so parking and street access, especially near the Victor Building will be affected.

5. Old Business

- a. Update Campbell's/Rutgers Field Progress: There is supposed to be public access from dawn to dusk. Residents have reported having limited access to public areas. This park, which has Green Acres funding, is supposed to be a community asset. The current posted hours are from 7-2 pm and if anyone is experiencing issues with access, contact CGNA or RU at 856-225-2740 for assistance.
- b. Linden and Point Street Tree Planting Project > NJ Tree Foundation: The Linden and Point Street tree planting event, organized by Meredith Pichini, was a success. Both streets are just about done, with only a few pits remaining. Ray confirmed that he has many of the Belgian blocks that were removed during the plantings and they are available for the community garden or other uses. He said to let him know where we want the blocks placed and how many.
- c. Public Trash Can Project: Ray said that 10 cans were delivered and city will help to install. The recreation department does have an existing contract to place trash cans.

6. New Business

- a. CGNA 2022 Board Elections 2022, November 28th 7 pm online: Looking for nominations to the CGNA Board! All positions are available, President/Vice President/Treasurer/Secretary. Jonathan Latko and Bryon Yoder have agreed to continue to assist CGNA in advisory roles only. CGNA needs your help continue as a viable organization. If interested, please email secretary@coopergrant.org.
- b. Cooper-Grant/Central Waterfront Neighborhood Plan Accepted by NTRC> Grant Submission Update: Plan was accepted but because of the quick turnaround to meet the due date CGNA decided to submit their package during the next submission period in 2033
- c. Camden Downtown 10-YR Masterplan Update Meeting, Friday, November 4th: alexis.williams@stvinc.com.

- d. Development Committee Report
 - 1) ABC Barrel Factory Lot Update: Nothing new to report. CRA is currently working through the terms of agreement with the Michaels Group.
 - 2) M&M Partnership@ The Pierre Building: (<https://hestaliving.com/thepierre/>)The Pierre Building is at full capacity; M&M still owes CG \$12K for 2022.
- e. Arts Committee
 - 1) Cynthis Primas/IDEA Center/2nd Annual Johnson Park Music and Arts Festival Closeout. There was a good turnout with food, vendors and good music. One hiccup reported - a vendor drove up on the grass but eventually moved to 2nd street.

7. Announcements

- a. Trash and recycling collection on Wednesdays
- b. Rutgers-Camden Community Fields Access: 856-225-2740
- c. 2022 Zone 1 Online Parking Registration www.camdenparking.net
- d. Next CGNA Meeting **Monday > November 28th, 2022**, at 7:00 PM

8. Adjournment - 7:51 pm

The area served by CGNA: "Cooper-Grant" is defined as the area contained within the following boundaries: Northern Boundary – the Ben Franklin Bridge; East - Friends Avenue (extended) south to Cooper Street, extending east to the West side of Fourth Street; South - the south side of Market Street; Western Boundary: the Delaware River. For more information, e-mail CGNA Board at info@coopergrant.org

*****This is our 40th year as an organization*** Cannot attend the CGNA Meeting?**

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