

Friends of Matthias Baldwin Park Meeting Minutes: 11/9/2017 7:00 – 7:50 PM - Tivoli Community Room

Attendees (10): Stan Ordo, Mark & Karen Belding, Joan Markoe, Joe Walsh, Andrew & Hannah Zareski, Sandra Owens, Jim Fennell, and Grace Hanrahan. Jim Fennell moderated the meeting. Minutes of the 10/5/2017 meeting were summarized by Grace Hanrahan and approved.

Neighborhood News: The 11/14/17 LSNA meeting at the Mormon Meeting House will discuss Melteppe's plans for a 10-story apartment building on Callowhill near 18th Street. Before the meeting, tours of the Mormon Meeting House will be available.

Water Puddling: Jim Fennell has been in contact with North by Northwest about the drainage problem caused by their sprinkler system on the northern park border, but has no progress to report. Jim Macko of Parks & Recreation estimated that it may cost them \$14K

to repair.

Rats: Park still has rats, but they are fewer in number because of the poisonous pellets in the planting beds. Note: Starbucks at 20th & Callowhill was closed for a few days because of mice and rats.

Calendar: Next Meeting: Thursday December 7th at 7 PM

Park Cleanup: Saturday December 9th from 10 – 11 AM

Treasurer's Report: Joan Markoe reported that we have: \$8,852.15.

Doggie Bags: Grace Hanrahan reported that we are using about 160 bags per week and need to replenish the supply. The motion was approved to have Jan Roberts buy more bags.

Floral and Park Improvement: In September, about 1,000 plants were added by Parks & Recreation. In the future, Jim Fennell suggested to Jim Macko that grasses be added. Also, the Bayberry plants on 18th Street side are getting too tall. To Hannah Zareski's suggestion that we plant bulbs, Jim Fennell said that we would have to make plans to obtain bulbs next Fall. There are damaged areas on the northeast and southwest corners of the stone wall caused by rats digging out the mortar and need to be repaired.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Submitted by Grace Hanrahan.