

Minutes of the Lazybrook Civic Club of Houston Regular Meeting

Sep 26, 2023: Meeting Held in-person at LifeBrook Church w/ Teams Broadcast

Meeting Call to order at 7:05pm by Kurt Swafford

Meeting Minutes: Last Meeting was May 23, 2023 (in-person + online) – minutes were posted to website

Motion to approve – approved unanimously

Introduction/Roll Call:

New attendees from Seamist Ct. & Locksford (long-time neighbors, first meeting) – Welcome!

Announcements/ Events

- LB Mom's Club has new leadership, Lori Motes – Please email to learn more about their activities and to get involved: moms@lazybrook.org
- [National Night Out](#) is Tues, October 3, 5:30 – 7:30pm at 2003 Seamist Ct (Brooktree @ Seamist)
 - Food, HPD, HFD, Constable Officers, Treats & More!
- Update from City Council Member Kamin's office
 - Council voting on plan for new roadside ditch plan/maintenance; District C ditch team is already active
 - Council voting on measure for resources during disaster recovery
 - LCC submitted grant application that CM Kamin supports

Officer & Committee Reports:

- President's Update & SNC-14 Report – Kurt Swafford
 - TIRZ 12 – Multiple public engagement opportunities in the coming weeks/months
 - [Mobility Plan](#) – Sep 27 @ 6pm @ Lifebrook (Trail & Sidewalk Connections, Gaps, Etc...)
 - Kurt will attend and report back on plans for connecting trails, parks, etc.
 - They have done a study on existing conditions already
 - Seamist Dr Improvement Project – Road Repairs, Underground Detention
 - South of 18th – from Kury south to 11th – will tear up to put new structures underground for stormwater abeyance - new/improved sidewalks, drainage, etc. – completed by the County – planning phase will start later this year
 - City/County Elections Nov 7th – Mayor, Council Dist C, 5 At Large Council Members – make sure to register to vote by October 10! For more information go to the Harris Co. Elections Clerk [website](#)
 - Charter Amendments on Ballot include Council Agenda, HGAC Voting Regulations
- Membership – Shelley White
 - We are at a little over 46% (behind this point last year) – Please [join/renew](#)!
 - If you don't know if you've paid your 2023 dues, contact Shelley at membership@lazybrook.org
- Treasurer's Report – Kurt Swafford (Jennifer Ofsowitz absent)
 - We are on-budget for the year. We have replenished account after our improvements from last year. In order to continue improvements to the neighborhood, we need continued participation in the Civic Club!
- Deed Restrictions Enforcement –Kurt Swafford (Erin Hoffman absent)
 - A new City of Houston attorney has been appointed to the 2411 W TC Jester enforcement ase
- Beautification – Jessica Swafford
 - Nearly time for another quarterly cleanup at esplanade signs (Date TBD)
 - May consider a fill in with plantings this fall/winter to replace the drought victims once weather improves – we will focus on native, drought-resistant plants
 - Working on esplanade tree planting project - TC Jester @ Brooktree/Lazybrook Dr (see New Business)
- Communications/Newsletter – Jessica Swafford
 - [Sign up](#) for email updates --- we are using our website and emails more!

- Block Captains – Kurt Swafford (Nicole Fuhrmann absent)
 - We need new Block Captains – 6 vacancies – this involves a minimal time commitment to deliver newsletters and put out yard signs the week of LCC meetings. Please check the [website](#) for vacancies and [email Nicole](#) to help!
- Security/COP – Joel DuBois
 - LCC/TMCC Constable Patrol Contract Pending – www.lazybrook.org/constable
 - We need sign-ups to ensure program is sustainable and for LCC to be included in the future –
 - We are at 95% of homes enrolled to be able to pay for the program
The program begins October 1 and includes extra protection, vacation watch, and rapid response to enrolled home.
 - We will have 1 dedicated constable for TMCC/LCC for 32 hrs/week but other non-dedicated hours we will still have officers responding from nearby areas to respond to enrolled households
 - LCC has had 4 incidents reported to HPD since the last meeting (home burglary, larceny, intimidation, & ATM fraud); Nauts Ct has had some recent car break-ins and a motor vehicle theft
 - HPD will not increase patrols if reports are not made so please [call/file a report](#) if you have an incident

New Business:

- Lazybrook Esplanade Tree Planting – [2024 Capital Improvement Project](#) – Jessica Swafford
 - Project proposed to be submitted to the Dept of Neighborhoods matching Grants Program
 - City Council will need to vote to approve (CM Kamin’s office has already agreed to fund if approved)
 - The project goal is to improve the esplanade along WTC Jester
 - Urban Forestry designated as in poor condition and not able to be revived
 - Jessica has already applied for permits to remove the dead trees
 - LCC will apply for the “Adopt a Tree” program for the esplanade
 - We agree to keep/maintain them for 2 years including installing a drip irrigation system (which is recommended by Trees for Houston)
 - Trees for Houston has provided recommendations for the size of trees to be planted based on specific requirements for the spacing and kinds of trees
 - *Motion and Vote* to approve expenditure of LCC funds to support project as proposed (About \$6000 cost to LCC with \$5000 match from COH) – Kurt Swafford motioned, Megan Mooney seconded – unanimous approval by members in person as well as 3 members online
 - Contingent upon final approval of Dept. of Neighborhoods Grant (covers 50% of cost)

Open Forum – Questions & Discussion

The road/sidewalk improvements to Lazybrook Dr are still pending – there was a problem with the concrete vendor that caused delays – for any problems with work that has already been completed, contact Gabriel Velasquez with Precinct 4 email gevelasquez@hcp4.net, 713-274-4093

Next Lazybrook Civic Club Meeting - Tuesday Nov 28, 2023

Adjournment – 8:07pm – Moved by Megan Mooney, approved unanimously

LAZYBROOK CIVIC CLUB – REGULAR MEETING

Date	Sep 26, 2023	Place/Room:	LifeBrook Church & Online via Teams
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	Name	Lazybrook Address	Paid 2023 Dues?
1	ED & Renee Taylor	2015 Seamist Ct	(Y) N
2	Brad Moore & Vernie Wolf	2102 Seamist Ct	(Y) N
3	NATHAN TRITICO	1802 LOCKSFORD	(Y) N
4	Shelley White	1847 Mill Creek	(Y) N
5	Megan Mooney	1839 Seaford	(Y) N
6	Shane & Kristen Kogen	1807 Navis Ct	(Y) N
7	Amy & Doug Finney	2002 Seamist Ct	(Y) N
8	LORT NOTES	1802 Sea Queen	(Y) N
9	Jason Payne	1826 Locksford	(Y) N
10	Ging Krablin	2106 Seamist Ct	Y/N
11	Lesla Dube	2403 WTC Jester	(Y) N
12	Mark Dube	2403 WTC Tesla	(Y) N
13	Peggy Markowski	1806 Greengrass Ct	(Y) N
14	Leon Benavides	1811 GREENGRASS CT	(Y) N
15	Steven Yarbrough	" " "	(Y) N
16	Bill Hunter	1835 NAVIS CT	(Y) N
17	Sherri Oldham	2222 Lazybrook Dr	(Y) N
18	Pat Kothan	1806 Crystal Ct	(Y) N
19	JOEL DUBOIS	2435 BROOKTRAIL	(Y) N

	Name	Lazybrook Address	Paid 2022 Dues?
20	Alison McGallion	1818 Locksford	(Y) / N
21	Josh Chaffin	2110 Seasmist Ct	(Y) / N
22	Allie Taggart	2305 Lazybrook	Y / N
23	Josh Litofsky	" "	(Y) / N
24	ANNIE MAE HAVEL	2435 BROOKMERE DR	(Y) / N
25	Emily & Scott Friedman	2451 Brookmere Dr	(Y) / N
26	Ann Zellar	1810 Widdicombe Ct.	(Y) / N
27			Y / N
28			Y / N
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