

ECA Board Meeting
September 22nd, 2020

Location – online via Zoom due to COVID-19

Call meeting to order – 7:43pm

Board members present – David Barnes, Jeffrey Drichta, Huda Montemarano, Bridget Foist, Joyce Gwadz, Susan Hendrickson, Linda Wenger

1. Approval of minutes from August meeting – motion to approve minutes, seconded, PASSED
2. Hampden Lane Right of Way – Ideas for how best to handle this subject were discussed. David will reach out to the residents most impacted, explain the situation while inviting them to join in the conversation about improving the ROW. The board would also like to include/invite all affected parties in any discussions/decisions.
3. Halloween – CDC recommendations about the safety of Halloween activities were released today. Door-to-door, traditional trick or treating was labeled as high risk. The board discussed options for safe ECA Halloween. A few ideas included 1) holding an online costume contest 2) posting pictures of kids on website 3) delivering small gift bags from the ECA to families that “opt in.” Huda, Jeffrey and Bridget to continue this discussion.
4. Mail delivery – no new news
5. Outreach to new residents – Huda and Susan discussed putting together a welcoming basket to give to new residents in the neighborhood. Jeffrey will look in to Zillow as a way to identify new residents. Huda will start putting together a basket(s).
6. Existing funds – we have approximately \$40,000. Are there any ideas of ways that we want to use our funds? One idea to consider is donating to local food drives that would directly benefit residents in 20814. The by-laws need to be reviewed to determine if funds can be donated at the board’s discretion. We may describe this donation as a replacement of what would normally have been spent on other social events such as New Year’s brunch, July 4th parade and party, and the Halloween parade and party. We could also consider using funds to protect the newly planted trees in the neighborhood.

Meeting Adjourned – 8:44pm