

SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting January 17, 2023 4747 W Peterson Suite 200 7:30AM

## **Shop Sauganash Mission**

Our vision is to create a gateway to the Sauganash business community by attracting commercial development, encouraging retail spending, creating new restaurants and transforming and enhancing existing retail and service space within the underutilized Cicero Avenue business corridor between Devon and Peterson. Provide a safe, attractive, friendly and hassle-free experience for pedestrians, cyclists, commuters, shoppers and local workers.

Public comment is encouraged throughout the meeting. The Chair will recognize non-commission members as appropriate. Non-commission members wishing to address the commission should so signify by raising their hand in order to be recognized by the Chair. The Chair will have discretion to limit discussion.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. Commissioners present were Pat Tarpey, Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, and Kelly Smith. Quorum was present. Nick Haak was also present.
- II. Review of December 20 2022 Meeting Minutes Alfred Klairmont made a motion to approve the minutes. Marcia Jimenez seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## III. Executive Director's Report

Nick Haak provided an update from the City of Chicago that all 2021 tax payments received after December 31, 2022 would be considered late collections and that budget amendments would be needed later in the year to account for this change.

Issues with decorative tree lights were identified and corrected, with a recommendation that timers be purchased.

Nick is in contact with the City to determine feasibility and cost of installing electrical hookups in tree pits throughout the SSA as a long-term solution to powering the decorative lights.

## IV. New Business

Marcia Jimenez made a motion to reimburse the Edgebrook Sauganash Chamber \$7550.04 for expenses incurred on behalf of SSA 62.

Alfred Klairmont seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners requested that copies of all checks be sent to the commission once they are written. A listing of all 2022 checks will be sent.

The Edgebrook Sauaganash Chamber of Commerce will be publishing a community guide in 2023; the SSA Commission may subsidize a portion of the cost, as determined by the Commission once actual costs have been provided.

The Commission requested that Nick contact the 39<sup>th</sup> Ward office regarding the status of a decorative gateway that was to be installed on Peterson approximately 4 years ago.

All four ADA corners at the intersection of Peterson and Cicero are in various states of crumbling; the Commission requested these be reported to the City for repair.

## V. Old Business

Al Klairmont recommended keeping the decorative lights illuminated year -round, perhaps adding more in the spring.

The Commission affirmed that the SSA would cover the costs associated with installing any necessary electrical connections for the decorative tree lighting incurred by property owners.

Pat Tarpey made a motion to spend no more than \$500 on programmable timers for decorative tree lights.

Marcia Jimenez seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Marcia Jimenez made a motion to adjourn. Alfred Klairmont seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:16.