**SNC Minutes 11/11/19**

**Roll**: Russell Jones, Buddy Atkins, Rich Horton, John Myers, Joe Berry, Deborah Thomas, Bill McCormick, Kelly Hynes, Harrison Greenlaw, Matt Flack, Lois. Rick Todd arrived late.

**Elected Officials present**: Senator Dick Harpootlian, Representative Seth Rose, City Councilman Will Brennan, County Councilwoman Allison Terracio.

Rhodes Bailey, who is running for House seat 75 introduced himself.

Senator Dick Harpootlian spoke. He discussed concerns about underage drinking in 5pts and it’s impacts on Shandon and Wales Garden neighborhoods. Particularly drunk students littering and drunk drivers passing out in our neighborhoods. He provided decimal readers to record noise levels in response to concerns about bars playing music too loudly. He is working closely with Columbia Police Department and City Councilman Will Brennan to enforce the noise ordinance levels.

RCSD1 Candidate Jonathan Milling was present. The election is December 31, 2019. But absentee voting begins December 2 and goes until December 31, 2019 at 2020 Hampton St. Absentee ballots are available now. His contact info is: jmm@millinglaw.net

**Neighborhood Crime report**: Kelly reported on the newly created crime watch group. Over 130 volunteers participate. WIS news interviewed the neighborhood crime watch group at the Triangle today. Eight zones have been created and each has a block captain. She reminded everyone to first call 911 then to contact Officer Frier at CPD if there is a problem or see something suspicious.

**Committee Reports:**

**President, Deborah Thomas**:

**Treasurer Report, Bill McCormick**: Beginning balance was $4,312.27. Deposits were $6,650. Disbursements were $1,818.32. Current cash on hand is $9,143.95.

**Events, Kelly Hynes**: The annual Turkey Trot is this month, the day after Thanksgiving. The race will begin at 10am. There is a new route. Volunteers are needed on the route.

Lois reported on Homes for the Holidays. The tour is Sunday December 8 from 1:00-5:00p.m. There will be tastes from local restaurants at all the homes. This year, there are six homes on the tour and one church, Rosehill Presbyterian. Tickets are $20. Proceeds go to the four schools in the area and some proceeds will go to the SNC.

**Communications, Harrison Greenlaw:** Communications continues to work on the website and Facebook page.

**Traffic & Safety, Rich Horton**: No report.

**Beautification, Kelly Hynes**: The mediation park at Emily Douglas is going forward and the city plans to break ground in the Spring of 2020.

The Triangle continues be well maintained. Kelly is looking to do a Christmas event there.

**Grants, John Meyers**: The Grants Committee is looking into Richland County Commission grant, regarding historical preservation, water runoff, etc.. The hope is that County will have the neighborhood matching grant against next year and that SNC can replicate the current application for $1,500 again next year.

**Ordinance/Zoning, Martha Johnson**: No report.

**Bylaws, Joe Berry**: Bilaws can be amended at annual meeting in March. Any amendments need to be published publicly thirty days prior to that annual meeting.

**Newsletter, Ron Burns**: Efforts are being made to continue to increase electronic newsletters. SNC is currently printing 1900 newsletters. 150 newsletters are electronically by email. There are seven ads per issue, creating a revenue stream of $1,225 per issue. The cost per issue is approximately $1,030.

**New Business:**

President Thomas proposed Christmas at the Triangle on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m. I motion was made and seconded. It passed unanimously.

The Grant Committee made a motion that the grants committee investigate, prepare and present a Richland County Conservation Commission grant for SNC approval at the January 2020 SNC meeting or at a special SNC meeting, with such grant being submitted to Richland County by the February 2020 deadline.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Meeting adjourned.