

River Terrace Community Organization

Minutes from September 21, 2022 General Body Meeting, Via Zoom

The meeting was called to order by President Sharon Culver at 6:35 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Chaplain Kim Parker

ANC Update – Commissioner Milton Hardy

There are still issues regarding trash and trash day, specifically who are not putting their cans back in their yards. There is information on the RTCO website regarding the trash procedure. There has been a number of abandoned cars in the community. Please call 311 or Commissioner Hardy to report. There are no updates on the streetcar extension or the Halfway house. He hopes to have more information at the October meeting. Commissioner Hardy and others met with the National Park Service in the park to voice concerns such as the gazebo, tennis and basketball courts and other issues. The owner of the Chateau Remix is trying to manage the concerns of the Eads Street residents.

Office of Councilman Gray – Tamika Fennell

Ms. Fennell shared several bills that will be the subject of the Committee on Health public hearing on September 28th at 10 a.m. Those who wish to provide oral testimony should contact Malcom Cameron via phone or email before September 26, 2022. Councilman Gray will vote on and consider legislation addressing DC's substance abuse and behavioral health crisis.

MPD Update - Sergeant Courtney Lancaster

Year-to-date robberies in the 6th District are slightly up but down for the year. The MPD are moving to show more of a police presence. With the approaching holiday season, MPD will have more officers out. Concerns were shared by the members such as crime in the apartment building at Blaine and Kenilworth Avenue, speeding through the community, and gun shots that have been fired. Sergeant Lancaster encouraged the use of cameras which will assist the police in identifying the individuals who are committing crimes. Please email her directly with concerns so that the issue will be addressed quicker.

Treasurer's Report – Carla Brailey

Period ending June 30, 2022	\$3,448.79	Ending balance \$3,099.50
Period ending July 31, 2022	\$3,099.50	Ending balance \$2,999.21
Period ending August 31, 2022	\$2,999.21	Ending balance \$2,534.35

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report. It was seconded, and the vote was accepted by the body.

The general election voting is scheduled for November 8th at the River Terrace Education Campus. Anyone who would like to serve on the nomination committee, please contact **President Culver**.

Neighborhood Development Company – Lisa Wiersma & Vince Harriman

Ms. Wiersma provided a slide presentation update on the properties that are located at 3450 Eads Street, 3443 Benning Road and 3451 Benning Road. A meeting will be scheduled in mid-October to answer questions. Letters will be going out to the resident owners on Eads Street and 36th Street.

Malissa Freese addressed a question that was raised about the River View NE Nonprofit which partners with the RTCO. Malissa will provide the community with more information.

Cinque Culver provided background information regarding the **Urban Agriculture** development project. He stated a motion to support the development of project and parking. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was

stated by President Culver to table voting until the October meeting after information pertaining to the project could be distributed to members. The motion was seconded by Ayanna Williams. The vote was accepted by the body.

President Culver stated that a holiday event is being planned. Please contact her if you have any ideas. Additionally, the best way to contact her is via text message.

Closing Prayer & Adjournment: 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Epps
Recording Secretary