

Hiltonia Association General Meeting MINUTES

DATE: May 10, 2022
7:00 PM
Home of Patrick Krey

Meeting was called to order by Linda Reid @ 7:10 PM. There were 25 residents in attendance.

GUEST SPEAKER: Pat Rodeawald regarding Passage Theater (nonprofit professional theater in Mill Hill), focuses on new, socially relevant works. Current season theme is Trenton and all three shows are new. Next show is *Group*, a musical about women in therapy for mental health and addiction issues, runs through May 22. May 21 Hiltonia community night with drinks and snacks at Douglas House for pre-show get together. Signup sheet at meeting, with enough participants we'd get a 20% discount on tickets. June 11 annual benefit at Princeton Hydro's new Roebing headquarters, with food by Smokehouse, includes silent auction. Volunteers are always needed. Association membership is a possibility going forward.

1) **Minutes: Approval of March 20, 2022, Minutes:** Bea motioned to move to accept, Kathi seconded, approved by voice vote

2) **Treasurer's Report:** June Guerrero: Checking balance to come; \$2,754.39 (house tour); \$5,459.02 (CD)

3) **President's Report**

- a.
- b.

4) **Committee Reports (oral reports)**

- A. **Civic:** Paulette Ayres, update from Director Wilson on free programs: Applications opened May 2 for summer youth camp, deadline is June 4. Restarting youth explorer program and young adult explorer program. Application due June 4.
- B. **Publicity:** Linda Reid, no recent foot patrols
- C. **Membership:** Mitch Ramoo, continuing to knock on doors. Current membership total is 77.
- D. **Social: Children's:** Dekontee Elliott, next likely event is National Night Out (first Tuesday in August). City is strongly suggesting Cadwalader Park event instead of smaller street events. Need to confirm City's plans before deciding what Association will do. **Adult's:** Lori Emerson, exploring possibilities for bimonthly events that combine neighborhood potlucks excursions to City events.
- E. **Hospitality:** Georgia Wallar, not present
- F. **Welcome Wagon:** Linda Reid, no recent activity but plans are underway for group visits to new neighbors.
- G. **Worthy Projects:** Maureen/Jacques Lebel, not present. Will include an article in the next *Hilltone*.
- H. **Communications:** Kathi Eckert, deadline for content for next *Hilltone* is May 15. June issue will be printed and distributed to all households, will include membership form and classic Association mission. Focus will be on current and summer events. September issue TBD.
- I. **Cadwalader Park Projects:** Becky Taylor, not present. At executive board meeting she reported on progress in forming coalition to make improvements to the park.

5) Unfinished Business

1. City Economic Development Saturdays, TDA is not currently involved, Hiltonia Association sponsored April 30, about a dozen neighbors attended. We will not sponsor again in May (Memorial Day weekend) but possibly will do it again over the summer.
2. 2022 budget to be circulated to membership via email.

6) New Business:

- A. Passage Theater excursion May 21, \$40 (adults), \$25 (seniors), \$15 (students), open seating. Signup sheet passed around.
- B. Election: Association is apolitical, not appropriate to sponsor meet and greets. Our focus has been on education. Focus this election cycle could be through contributing to and participating in TCCA efforts.
- C. Porchfest: Kathi renewed the expired domain and is working on site. Kathi and Linda attended the recent Bordentown event, 17 porches scattered throughout the city. Met with organizer, who pulled it together in 4 months. Had a \$1,000 sponsor. Free event with tee shirt fundraiser. Kathi is willing to chair a committee to explore Porchfest Trenton 2022 options, needs volunteers. Michael motioned to resurrect idea, Jeannie seconded. Approved by voice vote.
- D. Hiltonia T-shirts: Jeannie is working on cleaning up the classic graphic. Would be a nice fundraiser.
- E. New neighbors at 1 Renfrew still in search of information about schools for their children. Paulette will put her in touch with Lily.
- F. Mitch reported an illegal pink fence at Kensington and Stuyvesant, resident doing car repair on property, and parks a commercial vehicle on site.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING @ 8:31 PM

Submitted by: Terri O'Prey

Next General Meeting: [Date & Location TBD](#)

Upcoming Hiltonia and related events:

- May 21:** Passage Theater pre-show snacks and drinks @ 6; Play @ 7:30
May 26: CPAC Meeting, [6 pm](#), Hermitage Police Station (4th Thursday of every month)
June 4: First Friday Flamingo Social, Becky and Matt
June ?: TCCA General Meeting, 7 pm, Thomas Edison College, 111 West State Street
July ?: Summer Garden Party
August ?: National Night Out?
August ?: Flamingo Social, Bea and Michael Fischler

Additional Information/Future Events