

Minutes
St. Petersburg Downtown Neighborhood Association
General Meeting
October 21, 2019
7:00 PM – St . Peter’s Episcopal Church

Unapproved Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
2. **Establish a Quorum:** Quorum was established.
3. **Approval of Minutes of Annual Meeting:** After a motion, second, and voice vote, minutes of the Annual Meeting of July, 2019, were approved.
4. **Nominating Committee:** After a motion, second, and voice vote, the 2020 Nominating Committee membership was approved, comprised of Martha Shibley, Scott Clark, Steve Phillips, and Andrew Davis.

5. **Program:**

Karen Carmichael noted that the Suncoast Credit Union had sponsored the evening’s refreshments, and she introduced Kevin Rodriguez, manager of the credit union, to the meeting.

Representatives of both the St. Petersburg Fire and Police Departments were at the meeting, Major Halstead, from the SFPD, and Captain Kantaskas, of the SFPD and EMT units. On behalf of the DNA, Karen presented the SPFD with a Pack and Play kid, which the EMT units, in turn, donate to families in need.

Mario Farias, representing the Sailing Center, made a brief presentation in behalf of the Center and asked for members’ support in the referendum on this November’s ballot, which would extend the term of the lease of the marina to the Center.

Deputy Mayor Dr. Kanika Tomalin, gave a presentation on her role on various initiatives that the Mayor’s Office and city-at-large were taking to improve the overall health of St. Petersburg citizens.

6. **Updates and Announcements:** Karen updated the membership on a proposal for a new park on 9th. St. N, which the Board agreed to support. She also reminded the membership that the final Porch Party of the year would be on December 10, 6 PM, at Florida Craft/Art. She also updated the membership on Joe Douglas’s work at securing discounts for members from local merchants, and encouraged members to use them. Finally, she noted

that members had contributed donations of pet supplies and food to St. Peter's drive.

- 7 Next Meetings:** Karen reminded the membership that there would be no November Board meeting, so that Board members could attend the "Walkable City" presentation at the Palladium that evening, by Jeff Speck.

- 8 Adjournment:** Upon motion and second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.