

Minutes
ST. PETERSBURG DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, September 12- 7:00 p.m.

Signature
Approved Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
2. **Establish Quorum:** A quorum was established. Present were Matt Weidner, Steve Phillips, Martha Shibley, Ruth Ross, Kristy Bellingham, Al May, Dan Harvey, Mark Ferrulo, and John Mason.
3. **Approval of agenda:** After motion and a second, the agenda was approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes from Prior Meeting:** After a motion and second, minutes from the August 8, 2018 meeting were approved.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Al May presented the Treasurer's Report.
6. **Guest Presentation from Council Member Gina Driscoll.** Gina Driscoll updated the Board on recent issues and actions of the City Council and ongoing projects. She noted that the Looper is being expanded, both in hours of operation and length of route, in October. Ferry service between St. Petersburg and Tampa is also being resumed early in the fall. She noted that the Public Service Committee of the Council will be meeting at 9:30 at City Hall to discuss the proposed noise ordinance, and that, on September 25, 6 PM a meeting on affordable housing and related development issues will be held at the Main Library Building. Both are open to the public, though the public cannot comment at the session dealing with the noise ordinance, since it is a formal meeting of the subcommittee with oversight of the issue.. She also noted that First Night funding had been restored by the City.
7. **Standing Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Planning and Development:** We have received no notices of new development, so no report.
 - b. **Meetings:** The Board was reminded of the October 2 Porch Party at Rococo, and was updated on final plans for the October 10, 2018,

General Meeting (7 PM, St. Peter's Cathedral), which will be devoted to a presentation from the League of Women Voters of proposed Constitutional amendments.

- c. **Membership:** Kristy noted that she will be working with Todd Germann to upgrade and integrate the online membership system, databases, and payment/reminder features. She also reported on progress she has made to use the DNA's non-profit status to set up mailings targeted to our catchment area at reduced postage costs.

8. **President's Report:**

There was no formal President's report.

9. **Community Meeting Reports:**

There were no formal community meeting reports.

- 10. **Unfinished Business:** There was no unfinished business, other than some discussion of the proposed noise ordinance as noted above.

- 11. **New Business:** a) After a motion and second, the Board approved a request from Karen Carmichael for the purchase of a tent/canopy, table, and chairs for outdoor events, as well as funds for refreshments at the October General Meeting, and, b) the Board approved the establishment of an **Election Committee**, comprised of Karen Carmichael, Martha Shibley, and Al May. Ruth Ross volunteered to assist them in meeting with prospective Board members, to discuss responsibilities, etc. Terry Rimer has agreed to meet with the committee to familiarize them with procedures, etc. (Note: the Board handbook contains a good deal of information about elections and paperwork required.) Board members were asked to try to locate suitable candidates for positions on the Board.

- 10. **Next Board Meeting:** The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, November 14, at the Signature.

- 11. **Adjourn:** Upon motion and second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

