

Society of Ceres Meeting Minutes

Meeting Information	
Date 12/14/2020	Zoom Meeting ID https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82111330650
Time 5:30 - 7:00 PM	Teleconference 312-626-6799,,821 1133 0650

Invitees					
Committee Members			City Representation		
Caroline Stevens	Gavin Duke	Lisa Ellis	Peter Grimaldi	Jim Hunt	Hayley Dale
Carolyn Sorenson	Jill DeBona	Martha Phipps	Seth Stewart	Lyle Patterson	Leigh Mills
Carter Dawson	Laura Katherine Wood	Michael Dixon		Beth Reardon	Alicia Eley

Agenda		
Topic	Discussion Items	Notes
Admin	Action Items from previous meeting	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remaining committee members to donate In Progress 2. LK to ask Leigh Mills for most current statement COMPLETE 3. Committee members to mark areas of concern/opportunity/prioritization on the Belle Meade Together interactive map In Progress 4. Beth to reach out to NES for update regarding light fixture replacement on Belle Meade Boulevard order placed, will arrive in Jan In Progress 5. Anyone having an idea of a sponsor for Belle Meade Living article to contact Tara Biller In Progress
D i s c u s s i o n I t e m s	Finance	<p>2020 Financials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduced Leigh Mills, Finance Director for Belle Meade. Leigh will begin joining our meetings • Current balance is \$141,169.61 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Committee requested breakdown of expenses (monthly and annually) › Would also like to see what expenses City pays vs. what Ceres pays <p>2021 Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters will go out in Feb/March • Currently hard to navigate City website to find where to donate to Ceres <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Discussed creating a page dedicated to Ceres with pictures, giving levels, link to donate <p>DECISION: Will create a Ceres website embedded within City website</p>
	Ceres Legacy Plan	<p>Ceres Legacy Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridges off Harding Pike <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Jackson Boulevard bridge preservation need › Hayley Dale suggested closing Clarendon and Evelyn bridges except for emergencies › Committee suggested a fine for trucks over the weight limit - how to enforce? › Discussed bridge architecture with overhead arch/bar to enforce height limit <p>ACTION ITEM: Carter will send pictures from New Orleans to perhaps emulate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belle Meade Boulevard power lines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › Residents overwhelmingly requested this via Belle Meade Together interactive map
	Education Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Filled in writing calendar for 2021 City Newsletters • No update on Belle Meade Living sponsor <p>ACTION ITEM: Anyone having an idea of a sponsor for Belle Meade Living article to contact Tara Biller</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed hosting educational lectures in 2021 <p>ACTION ITEM: Jill talk to Peter about this</p>
	Other Committee Updates	<p>Planting Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed more sustainable plantings • Planters for City Hall coming in December <p>Fundraising Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed selling rain barrels <p>ACTION ITEM: Jill research and present at January meeting</p> <p>Tree Ordinance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura Katherine working on application <p>Weed Wrangle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will focus on smaller groups, neighborhoods this year. Will not work with Belle Meade Plantation • Can have Ceres representative at each site to present on conservation & native plantings <p>ACTION ITEM: Carter to send details to Committee</p>
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Next Meeting		<p>Ceres: January 11, 2021</p> <p>Christmas Party: Canceled due to COVID-19 meeting restrictions in Davidson County</p>