

Burroughs Neighborhood Organization Core Meeting Minutes January 6, 2020 – Toledo Heights Library – 6:30pm Attendees: Robert, Sarah, Buffy, LL, RosW, AngW

I – Call to Order – Interim President Robert Worthington

- II Time for Guests
 - No guests present
- III Financial Report
 - Good, no major changes, was off a little last time? 7 instead of a 1

IV – District Improvement Grant and Land Bank at The Triangle

- Garden emblem stones are getting ordered (Military and BNO Logo Stones)
- V Specific Properties
 - We gathered a few addresses of extreme blighted houses and Club Kingdom to make a list of the worst properties to see if we can help in anyway with any improvements and keep an eye on them.
 - We will keep our new councilperson updated.
 - Car business/repair shop moved from Dunham and Fearing to Caswell and Airport. We received a Facebook post about junk cars and blocked eyesight by tires. We will send this off to our new councilperson to see if we can do anything about it, but we might just have to use Engage Toledo.

VI – ReInvest Toledo

- Robert and Rosa went to the last meeting on January 2nd located at United Way in Downtown Toledo and the room was packed. A few council members were present. They addressed the following issues as their focus currently:
 - o Blight
 - Absentee Landlords
- Meeting was about the 5-year program for Toledo. It was a plan on where money would be allocated. They want to target 3 neighborhoods (Not Burroughs) but they will help out other neighborhoods as well, but it is still important that we keep in contact with this group because of their resources and goal to help connect all neighborhoods in Toledo.

VII – Upcoming:

- January 13 Burroughs Elementary 7:00pm General Meeting GOAL SETTING
- February 3 Toledo Heights Library 6:30pm Core Meeting
- February 10 Burroughs Elementary 7:00pm General Meeting

VIII – Newsletter – Anything new?

• Keep putting in articles about the Memorial Bricks

IX – Goals

- Since attendance numbers are down, we need to be smart about our goals and not stretch ourselves too thin. We will focus on the following as our main goals:
 - o Triangle
 - Memorial Bricks
 - Blight (homes, businesses, trash, roads, etc)
 - Reinvest Toledo
 - Lighting (street lights, etc)
- X Other Business/Open Floor
 - BNO Logo: Should we copyright/trademark our official BNO logo? It would take around \$200-\$250 (federal) or \$100-\$150 (state) to get our logo registered
 - Probably not worth the cost
 - Safety Officer: Robert emailed our new safety officer our boundaries for the safety report for our General Meeting
 - Social media: Sarah could take over as interim vice president and take over posting on social media so not everything would have to be run through interim president
 - Okayed, Sarah as Interim Vice-President-Secretary
 - BNO.com Signs: get signs to advertise our website so people know where to get updates and find meeting locations with dates and times posted
 - We'll stay up on this

XII – Adjourn & Exit: aim for 8:00pm