



Burroughs Neighborhood Organization – January 13, 2020 – General Meeting Minutes  
Attendees: Robert, Sarah, Buffy, RosW, SA, LL

I – Call to Order – Robert

II – CSO Scott

- Officer Scott brought a copy of the safety report of our area from 12/24/2019-1/13/2020:
  - Detroit – theft from vehicle
  - Hanover, Dunham, Detroit, Shasta, and Kenmore – burglary from occupied residence
  - Bronx – auto theft
- Does the police department have anything that citizens or neighborhood organizations should advocate for to reduce crime in our area? They have not had their first meeting of the year yet, if he hears anything, he will convey that information to us.
  - He did mention that having extra lights helps reduce crime because criminals mostly do not like doing anything in the light.
- Officer Scott also mentioned that having someone from the water dept come out and speak about the new water billing cycle and about any savings.
  - If facing financial hardships and might need help paying utility bills, please call 211 or email the BNO so we can pass along the information we received.

III – Part 1. Goal Setting and Annual Planning Presentation – Robert

- 2020 Goals: Focus mainly on the Triangle Project that was started last year. Focus secondly on blight structures (mainly ReInvest Toledo combined efforts, but also gather a list for TPD & Code Enforcement)
- Advertising & Social Media: Sarah is taking over as Interim Vice-President (keeping Secretary duties) and taking over our social media presence. We will only do some (10?20?25?) hard copies at our usual places, we will eventually get to postings signs with our website referring people to get our newsletters and information there. We might want to order yard signs.
- Meetings: cancel in person core meetings unless there is an emergency, this is mainly due to the concern that only the same 4-5 people are attending, and most things discussed can be handled via email or at or before the General meeting. We also want to conserve our energy wisely and use it efficiently. We will still reserve a room just in case we need to call a meeting. We may be moving all general meetings to the Toledo Heights Library starting after June this year.
- 2020 Calendar so far:
  - January-March: Memorial Bricks Registration
  - April 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>: GYSD (plus storm/sewer grate cleaning)
  - June: Parks

- July: No meetings
- August: Burroughs Open House
- October: Trunk or Treat
- November: BNO Elections
- December: End of year celebration

Part 2. Open Floor

- Most Covered in Part 1
- Signage at Triangle limited to one area

IV – Goals Summary – Robert

- Triangle and Bricks, Blight and Reinvest Toledo, Lighting

V – Next Meetings

- ~~Core Meeting? 02/03/2020~~
- General Meeting 02/10/2020 at 6:30pm
- Candidate Night with Sheriff Candidates 03/02/2020 at 6:30pm
- General Meeting 03/16/2020 at 7pm at Burroughs Elementary

VI – February Speaker

- ~~Ideas: Census, Candidate Forum for Sheriff or Commissioners~~
- Councilmember Gadus

VII – Other Business/Open Floor

- Lighting around school (Burroughs, Arlington, etc.) their practice on where they place their signs and lights and if they are not lighted like Burroughs.

VIII – Adjournment and Exit by 8:15pm