

# Park Place/Underhill Avenue Block Association

Minutes  
10/16/2019

## Attendees:

Bruce McInnes	Robin Ketchum	Phyllis Brody
Diana Regan	Ed Regan	Frances Caroll
Heidi Rodewald	Carl Trunk	Sharon Combs
Mary Dale	Mary Dale	Rhoda Westerman Hill
Gib Veconi	Jill Frasier	

The meeting was called to order at 7:41 at the home of Ed and Dee Regan, 320 Park Place.

The minutes for September 2019 were approved by a unanimous vote.

## Fall Frolic

Details of the upcoming event were discussed.

Volunteers were requested to solicit donations from neighborhood merchants for the silent auction.

Patti Veconi has volunteered for storytelling.

Volunteers are needed to setup at Duryea Church at 4:30PM, also to cook turkeys and hams.

## DRAT committee

Bruce McInnes reported he attended a meeting on St John's place regarding vermin. Their problem is worse than ours. A letter is being drafted to send to property owners in the PPUABA area regarding the problem and identifying how to recognize the signs of infestation and resources for addressing it.

## Lost or Stolen Packages

There have been many reports of missing packages for all the delivery services. While there is no universal solution, suggestions are to sign up for the myUPS app to be able to see exactly when UPS delivers. Also, Duane Reade will receive FedEx packages for individuals.

## Greenest Block Contest

Den Gordon has suggested that PPUABA participate in the yearly 'Greenest Block' competition as a way to involve more neighbors and build community. Den wants to apply for a PPUABA grant to fund some of the effort. A show of hands indicated there is interest. One issue is the continuing work on the new gas lines, new sewers, and the protective structures around the trees. As there is some time until the spring Gib Veconi will try to follow up and see when the sewer work will start. Also regarding work on the streets, Gib recommends taking a picture of your sidewalks before the city commences work.

Gib Veconi made a motion that we form a committee to investigate joining the Greenest Block Competition, with Den Gordon as chair. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. People who are interested should contact Den Gordon.

## Documenting our processes

There has been a suggestion that we document our yearly activities such as preparing for the Spring Block Party and the Fall Frolic so that newcomers would have a guide for performing these activities and it would be easier to have new people participate. These can be either to put together a physical manual or an online one. Den Gordon will lead the kickoff of this effort.

An announcement was made that PHNDC will have a general meeting on October 29'th at 7:30 at Duryea Church with Tish James as featured speaker.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:50.