



## Humboldt Park Friends General Meeting 9/5/24

In Attendance- Jim Lubner, Linda Lubner, Dani Graf, Gary Hollander, Patrick Mc Sweeney, Lynn Goldstein, Ignacio Catral, Susan Catral, Laureen Strimel, Steve Lucia, Richard Kling, Maryann Lopnow, Rhiannon Jones, Rita Buczynska, Patrick Chaves, Barbara Szymanski, Henry Szymanski,

**Meeting Called to Order** 7:00 pm and adjourned 7:53pm

### **Park Concerns/Safety**

Patrick Chaves from MCP joined the meeting. Patrick is the Engagement Coordinator for the South region of Milwaukee. Primary focus is working with Friends Groups to coordinate planned activities, like weed-outs. Issues of safety, lights out or damage can be reported to Patrick. HPF and Tree Day events are scheduled for Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> and requests repaving efforts be concluded following the event. HPF noted concerns to possible extensive damage to several mature trees adjacent to the repaving planned for the park. A final pathway repaving plan will be provided to HPF (Susan Catral). Contact info for Patrick Chaves-414-387-3725, [patrick.chaves@milwaukeecountywi.gov](mailto:patrick.chaves@milwaukeecountywi.gov)

### **HPF Events**

#### **Jazz at the Vine**

Well attended HPF event and successful beyond expectations. Funds remaining being applied to Jazz at the Vine 2025. Sponsorship efforts in place. Requests for participation also being engaged. Jazz posters will be provided to each Sponsor for respective support.

#### **Corn Roast**

Laureen reflected 8 cases of corn were sold with a profit just over \$1,000 dollars.

#### **Lagoon**

Cattail Cut is set for September 21<sup>st</sup> starting at 8:30am. Participation requires MCP Sign-off forms which are available thru HPF website. Patrick reported all staging and contacts have been set with supplies and equipment. Bird walk will not be staged this year.

#### **A2 Update**

Formally announced as “**Humboldt in Harmony**” Resilient Park, Resilient Community” Gary provided an overview of next steps for the initiative including reporting to A2 for phase 1 milestone compliance, which has been met.

100 for Humboldt tree celebration was set for October 22, 2024.at 6:30-8:30pm at the pavilion. The building is available this date. A wall mounted commemorative plaque is being developed.

Lynn Goldstein and Linda Lubner agreed to co-chair a committee to prepare a Native Plant Pollinator garden design for the east portion of the pavilion building. Susan will forward MCP required PIP form for timely submission with a plan. Previous examples submitted will be

shared. This Nature Pollinator Garden is HPF's next fund raising effort. Inclusion of Master Gardener program will set by Lynn and Linda.

The Parks presentation by John Gurda is thought better staged during the early portion of 2025. Staging this event will further the A2 program goal engagement.

### **Reforestation**

Tree Day 2024 is set for October 9th. Henry reported 4 trees will be provided thru MCP/IRA funds. A review of MCP nursery stock is probable, which results in sizable trees. Tree Day specific tree locations meeting with MCP expected. Volunteers are needed to guide and engage participating first grade students. Refreshments and related food stuffs are being planned.

Tree Protection Program Event (wood chip covering) continues with Eagle Scout pursuit to support the program. A demonstration and example program as a special event with community outreach is being formalized. This event may be considered an educational event under the A2 requirements.

### **New Business**

Nothing discussed.