

OPNA Spring 2019 GENERAL MEETING Minutes
Monday 4/22
In the Auditorium of Tanglewood Elementary School
Overton Park Drive West, 76109

Meeting opened at 6:30pm by OPNA President Joanne Viola

Members & guests were welcomed.

There were 26 people in attendance.

Minutes from our 2018 Fall General Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report was submitted and reviewed by Joanne Viola. There is a balance of \$28,000 in the OPNA treasury. In the 2018-19 fiscal year, the OPNA received \$12,085 in donations and had annual general expenses totaling \$11,043.

Kirk Kilgore, OPNA Membership Chair, announced the 2019 membership drive and encouraged all to utilize the \$150 Block Party stipend offer by the OPNA for each event.

The New OPNA "No Soliciting & No Handbill" yard signs were made available to all at the meeting or by contacting Joanne Viola at 817-454-4098 or through Nextdoor.

The City of Fort Worth's Art Council presented a Park Improvement plan proposal for the sculpture in Overton Park. The details will be posted on our website. The City will be asking for our neighborhood's final inputs.

The body reviewed, discussed and voted to adopt the Overton Park Master Plan. The plan is posted on our website.

Mayor Betsy Price spoke (1) the city of Fort Worth has a new city bot app coming in May in which residents can report repairs needed in the city by taking a picture that will be tagged then sent to the city department in charge of the repair. The app program will start with pot holes in the street, but other services will be added later. (2) Through a grant from the state, digital water meters will start to be used in the next several months that will reduce/eliminate manual readings and will provide more accurate readings. The meters can detect if there is a leak and will notify property owners. (3) Have you tried out our new TXRail? We're happy to have the start of new public transportation that will benefit residents and visitors of North Texas. (4) Please vote in May elections! (5) Deadline to file protests for property taxes is May 15, if you choose to do so. One can file a free online protest at the website on the blue colored paper valuation that was mailed to you. 60% of those who file a protest online receive a reduction. If you're not happy with the online protest result, one does not need to accept it, and can go in person to protest or hire a professional to assist.

City Councilman Brian Byrd spoke (1) Race & Culture Task Force submitted ideas to improve our city. One of several proposals that have merit is to have a Police Monitor who reports to the City Manager, not the Police Chief. That person would review complaints and incidents that are reported to the police review board.

Other – The New School FWISD Board will announce the new elementary school name and the school administration by the end of the school year. Stay tuned

A request was made to replace street signs at Ranch View and Hulen and trim trees around street sign at Library Lane. OPNA Board will submit the online request to TXDot.

New Business – None

Meeting was adjourned by Joanne Viola at 7:52pm