

South End NRZ Zoom Minutes

April 9th, 2024

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Present: **9 Participants**

The meeting began at 6:30 pm

Hattie Firlik-BLT Announced that there will be a South End clean-up day on Saturday May 4th, 2024, at 8:00am. Hattie mentioned she did not have the specifics but will get more details. The flyer for the South End clean-up was released on April 12th, 2024, confirming the South End clean-up for Saturday May 4th, 2024, starting at 8:00 am at The Point Café next to BAREBURGER located on 2200 Atlantic Street, Stamford, CT.

Monika Twal announced that **Pollinator Pathway will be having a clean-up on April 20th, 2024 from 10-12pm** at Kosciusko Park.

Al Koproski inquired about the school over on Lockwood Avenue that will supposedly be torn down and the kids will be moved to the Lathan Wider Community Center. **Terry Adams** stated he would get more information as currently nothing has been confirmed.

Monika Twal mentioned the city grant including the Lathan Wider Community center and questioned how will the money be spent?

Terry Adams answered he doesn't know how the grant will be used but will reach out to Matt Quiones to get an update. Terry also mentioned that he is touching base with Matt Quiones about repaving the Lathan Wider community center parking lot.

Inquiries were made about the scrap works grant and how it would be spent since properties on Pacific Street are either up for rent or for sale. Terry stated he is going to look in to tracking how the grants coming into the city ear marked for the South End is being appropriated.

Concerns were raised about the close out of the South End Local Historic Study Committee. **John Wooten** wants confirmation that this study will be closed since money was taken that had to be used for ballots to go out to the property owners.

Terry Adams answered that Sue Halpern announced at the April 1st, 2024, Board of Representative public comment that the neighborhood no longer has interest. A report will be submitted to the Land Use Committee to discontinue the study and phase out the South End Historic Study Committee.

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Concerns were brought up about the number of dogs at Kosciusko Park leaving poop on the grass. It was stated that enforcement should be done to force dog owners to clean up after their dogs.

Discussions ensued about the Atlantic Street project which in the end the City of Stamford compromised with the property owners on the taking of their properties.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm