



Minutes of Tower Grove Heights Neighborhood Association Meeting – January 23, 2018
Convened: 7:15 p.m. Adjourned: 8:25 p.m. 20 attendees

Meeting chaired by TGHNA President, Vicky Dean (president@towergroveheights.com)

- **Opening of meeting and welcome**

- **Newcomer recognition**

- One newcomer – Jimmy John’s manager, who brought sandwiches for post-meeting social hour.*

- **Icebreaker activity (see attachment)**

- **Neighborhood Reports**

- **SLMPD 2nd District update**

- *Liaison Officer Ed Slade informed us that Shaw has seen an increase in crime, primarily, car jackings.*
- *There has been a spike in panhandling on S. Grand, including many homeless coming into the area restaurants that he has received calls about.*
- *There will be a District 2-wide meeting on Feb. 27 at Bishop DuBourg High School that is open to all.*
- *The sentencing for Richard Donaldson, a defendant involved in the fatal carjacking last year on 3800 Juniata, is scheduled for Feb. 9. In accordance with the Neighborhood Ownership Model, Officer Slade encouraged residents to attend in order to demonstrate support for the victim’s family and to show the Court the real-life impact of the crime on the neighborhood.*
- *He provided a crime stat handout (attached).*

- **15th Ward Aldermanic report**

- *Alderman Megan Green voiced opposition to the proposed privatization of St. Louis Lambert International Airport. Stated study consultants get paid only if they recommend leasing the airport. She stated the deal, for her, is tainted by the involvement of political donor, Rex Sinuefield. She did not know if the issue would have to go to a public vote. [For more info: http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/govt-and-politics/sinuefield-s-involvement-in-airport-privatization-a-nonstarter-for-some/article_93a7eece-5390-5e03-b2bd-20aebdc669a2.html]*
- *Audience questions:*
 - ✓ *In response to a resident’s continual question about an issue “closer to home,” she stated she was not sure if the McDonald Park bathroom work that was partially funded by 2014 Participatory Budgeting had been completed. She said she would investigate.*
 - ✓ *In response to a question about the Morgan Ford development, she said ground had been broken for the mixed-use apartment building.*
 - ✓ *Crispy Edge, a new restaurant on Juniata and Bent, is scheduled to open in March. Private tasting events have been scheduled there more recently.*
 - ✓ *In response to a question about the “enhanced” lighting that was also partially funded through Participatory Budgeting but has not been satisfactory, she asked to be sent a list of streets where they are not illuminating the area and she would request the Streets Department to tilt them as they did on 4200 Juniata.*

- **Committee Reports**

- **Safety Committee – Ryan Barry**

- *Chair Ryan Barry stated that the Safety Committee would like to gather input from residents via a survey in the Gazette about which safety options they prefer. Details to follow.*

- **Social Committee – Patrick Weber**
 - *Post-meeting refreshments will now be served at meeting location, rather than at an outside venue. Tonight’s refreshments include Jimmy John’s sandwiches in addition to TGHNA-funded treats.*
- **Block Captains – Debra Knox Deiermann**
 - *The 1/8/2018 TGS-TGH Block Captain meeting featured a presentation by Dana Gray (Tower Grove Neighborhood CDC Outreach Coordinator) about a HUD-funded grant to TGNCDC, “Wireless Access For All: Solar-Powered Charging Stations with WiFi Capability” to provide ten charging stations along South Grand. Until the City writes a comprehensive WiFi plan, the kiosks will provide only charging capabilities. Dana stated that input from the South Grand Business Association was not sought.*
 - *We also heard from Cynthia E. Jones, Regional Branch Manager, St. Louis Public Library and Mark Manne, Library Technician, Carpenter Branch, about programs and services to the community, including the Mobile Print service.*
- **Treasurer – Rick Stein**
 - *See attachment of TGHNA 2017 Financial Summary*
- **Membership Secretary – Jean Iezzi**
 - *Current memberships total 324.*
- **President**
 - Speaker requests
 - ✓ *Forestry*
 - New Opportunities: Service Committee; Assessment Task Force.
 - ✓ *Call for volunteers*
 - Neighborhoods United for Change: Saturday, April 21. Residents tour each other’s neighborhoods. Seeking 5-10 participants.
[More info: <http://www.slaco-mo.org/neighborhoods-united-for-change.html>]
- **Announcements**
 - 100 Neediest Cases: *Neighbors donated \$1275 in utility and rent support, as well as \$270 in gift cards for each of the two sponsored families. Thanks for your generosity!*
 - *Next TGSNA meeting: February 21, 6:30 p.m., Oak Hill Presbyterian Church.*
 - *Next TGHNA meeting: February 27, 7:15 p.m., Center for Divine Love.*
 - *Speaker: Dana Gray, Tower Grove Neighborhood CDC Outreach Coordinator will speak about a HUD-funded grant to TGNCDC, “Wireless Access For All: Solar-Powered Charging Stations with WiFi Capability” to provide ten charging stations along South Grand.*
- **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

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Get to Know You!

Block I live on: _____

Length of time as TGH resident: _____

Favorite South Grand Restaurant: _____

Favorite aspect about your home: _____

Who lives with you? _____

Occupation: _____

Furthest place you've travelled: _____

Favorite Tower Grove Park spot: _____

Circle one!

Married Partnered Singled

Winter Summer

Cook Eat Out??

Morning Person Night Owl?

Part I Crime for "January" Coding Month

Tower Grove South | District - 2

Years: 2017 & 2018

	Total Coded In	-- Coded Thru Jan 22 M-T-D --				Total	----- Coded Thru Jan 22 Y-T-D -----			
	Jan 2017	2017	2018	Chg.	% Chg.	Jan 2017	2017	2018	Chg.	% Chg.
Total Homicide	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Homicide	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
# Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Rape	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Forced Rape	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Attempted Rape	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Robbery	8	5	2	-3	-60.0 %	8	5	2	-3	-60.0 %
Highway	7	5	1	-4	-80.0 %	7	5	1	-4	-80.0 %
Business	1	0	1	1	NA	1	0	1	1	NA
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
* Weapon	8	5	2	-3	-60.0 %	8	5	2	-3	-60.0 %
* No Weapon	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Aggr. Assault	5	2	1	-1	-50.0 %	5	2	1	-1	-50.0 %
Gun	2	0	1	1	NA	2	0	1	1	NA
Knife	3	2	0	-2	-100.0 %	3	2	0	-2	-100.0 %
Other	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Hand/Fist/Feet	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
# Simple Assault	14	7	0	-7	-100.0 %	14	7	0	-7	-100.0 %
TOTAL PERSON CRIME	13	7	4	-3	-42.9 %	13	7	4	-3	-42.9 %
Total Burglary	7	5	2	-3	-60.0 %	7	5	2	-3	-60.0 %
Residence - Day	2	2	1	-1	-50.0 %	2	2	1	-1	-50.0 %
Residence - Night	1	1	1	0	0.0 %	1	1	1	0	0.0 %
Residence - Time Unknown	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
Business - Day	1	0	0	0	0.0 %	1	0	0	0	0.0 %
Business - Night	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Business - Time Unknown	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
Other - Day	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other - Night	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other - Time Unknown	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
* Force	4	3	1	-2	-66.7 %	4	3	1	-2	-66.7 %
* No Force	3	2	1	-1	-50.0 %	3	2	1	-1	-50.0 %
* Attempt	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Larceny	39	23	16	-7	-30.4 %	39	23	16	-7	-30.4 %
Pickpocket	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Purse Snatch	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Shoplift	6	4	2	-2	-50.0 %	6	4	2	-2	-50.0 %
From Motor Vehicle	9	4	2	-2	-50.0 %	9	4	2	-2	-50.0 %
Motor Vehicle Parts	9	4	8	4	100.0 %	9	4	8	4	100.0 %
Bicycles	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
From Buildings	7	5	4	-1	-20.0 %	7	5	4	-1	-20.0 %
From Coin Operated	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Other	8	6	0	-6	-100.0 %	8	6	0	-6	-100.0 %
* Attempt	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	2	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
Total Vehicle Theft	5	4	5	1	25.0 %	5	4	5	1	25.0 %
Auto	4	3	5	2	66.7 %	4	3	5	2	66.7 %
Truck/Bus	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %	1	1	0	-1	-100.0 %
Motorcycle/Other	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
* Attempt	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
* Joy Ride	0	0	0	0	0.0 %	0	0	0	0	0.0 %
Total Arson	0	0	1	1	NA	0	0	1	1	NA
TOTAL PROPERTY CRIME	51	32	24	-8	-25.0 %	51	32	24	-8	-25.0 %
TOTAL CRIME	64	39	28	-11	-28.2 %	64	39	28	-11	-28.2 %

* - These counts were included in a previous line.

- These entries are not reflected in any group totals.

TGHNA 2017 Financial Summary

Major Ongoing annual expenses and sources of revenue

Item Name	Expenses Description	Amount	Revenue Description	Amount	Notes
Gazette newsletter (4 issues):	Layout, design, printing, etc.	\$3,091.25	Ads	\$3,969.00	Other relevant details
[Autumn Fest] / 30th Anniversary block party:	Food, supplies, music, etc.	\$4,800.10	Earmarked donations	\$2,550.00	No Autumn Fest this year because of the 30th anniv. event
Heights Nights and events:	Supplies, promotion, gift certificates, food/drink	\$223.07	Sales, raffles, etc.	0	Included the Hallow-Ganza event
Buzz Book:	Printing	\$305.44		0	
Church space for monthly meetings:	Center for Divine Love	\$275.00		0	
Post office box rental:	Annual Fee	\$284.00		0	
Website:	Domain name registration and site hosting	0		0	No expense this year because we paid for 2 years in 2016
PayPal commission:	Percentage of payments taken in	\$63.58		0	
Insurance	Liability	\$1,124.00		0	
Misc.:	Copying, postage, supplies, gov't filing, etc.	\$1,840.90	Insurance reimbursement for sign pole	\$956.75	Replaced a damaged sign pole; reimbursed by driver's ins.
Membership dues:		0	Annual and lifetime memberships	\$2,680.00	Paid with cash/check or via PayPal
Sales:		0	Greeting Cards	\$35.00	
Interest:		0	On bank account	\$35.97	
Amazon Smile and Schmucks eScrip:		0	From orders where TGHNA is designated	\$28.67	
Donations:		0	Thank you!	\$111.00	
Totals	Total 2017 expenses from these items	\$12,007.34	Total 2017 revenue from these sources	\$10,366.39	

Source	What expense goes toward	Amount	100 Neediest Cases Description of money source	Amount	Other relevant details
Spent only out of donations for this purpose	2016 Families' utility bills	\$2,260.00	Cash/PayPal donations	\$2,260.00	*Most was deposited, and all was paid, after New Year's, so was counted in 2017
Spent out of general fund	2016 Copying of flyers	\$115.00	General TGHNA funds	\$115.00	
Spent only out of donations for this purpose	2017 Families' utility bills	N/A	Cash/PayPal donations	\$250.00	*The rest was deposited, and all was paid, after New Year's, so will be counted in 2018
Spent out of general fund	2017 Copying of flyers	N/A	General TGHNA funds	N/A	

Balance (in reserve for sign repairs/replacements/additional signs) from 2014 Street Signs Initiative

Crowdsourcing initiative (All donations in 2014 so far)	Balance is donations minus expenses (including \$28.34 in PayPal commissions)	\$582.27	Spent \$136.00 in 2017 to replace 1 damaged street sign.
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Expenses and Income specific to 2017

Item/Nonprofit	Description	Amount
TG Farmers Market	Farmers Market in Tower Grove Park	\$250.00
Friends of Tower Grove Park	Sponsored a fundraising event	\$250.00
South Grand Cultural Alliance	Sponsoring South Grand events	\$500.00
Tower Grove Pride Festival	Event in Ritz Park and along South Grand	\$50.00
Total		\$1,050.00

Item	Purchases Purpose	Amount
Projector	Presentations during meetings	\$315.43

Net Worth Summary (including balance for Street Signs project)

Starting net worth as of 12/31/16:	\$14,074.99
Ending net worth as of 12/31/17:	\$11,133.04
Change in net worth for 2017:	-\$2,941.95