



*Campbell Avenue Block Club Organization Meeting Minutes  
January 14, 2023, 2pm – 3pm, Microsoft Team Virtual Meeting*

**Agenda**

1. Meeting Called to Order – 2:15pm

2. Roll Call of Officers:

Rochelle Marceillars, President

Kenny Jones, V. President

Lorita Patterson, Secretary

Regina Walls, Treasurer

Yvette Pierce, Asst. Treasurer

John McBeth, Sergeant-At-Arms

3. Meeting Minutes of 10/15/2022 Approval

There were no corrections to the 10/15/2022 meeting minutes. ***A motion was made to approve the 10/15/2022 meeting minutes with no amendments; Kenny Jones so moved, and Regina Walls seconded. Motion passed.***

4. Officers' Report Out

- Holiday Social Event - All who attended our Holiday Social event had a good time. Kenny Jones and John McBeth agreed. Unfortunately, the Outriggers Restaurant where it was held is now permanently closed as of 12/19/2022. The Event Committee Chair will be looking for another location to hold this event for 2023.
- Virtual Business Address (iPostal1) for Organization – We now have a business address, 1130 S. Canal #1680, Chicago, IL. All mail for our organization will be sent to this address. Once received, the Treasurer will have the mail forwarded to her.
- Alley Renovation Pilot Program - The alleys have been renovated at Breclaw/Exchange and Stewart/Exchange. Looks genuinely nice.
- 2022 Accomplishments – The bike path was cleaned-up costing the City 30K, five sidewalks/curbs were repaired, new roads were paved on Pulaski and Burnham and the block club held its' first block club celebration party with assistance from the City.

- Senior Snow Removal Program Signup (starting Dec. – Feb 28) – Residents must be 65 years and older and must also have no one residing in home that is able to shovel the snow. Please contact Alderwoman Wilson or the Mayor’s office to sign up.
- Nicor Gas Relocation Program - As part of the inside natural gas meter relocation program, Nicor is working to move all natural gas meters located inside of homes and businesses to the outside. Nicor Gas or Henkels and McCoy (contractor) will contact you to schedule an appointment. Have questions please contact Nicor Gas Work In Your Neighborhood at 630-388-3333 or Henkels and McCoy 630-806-8168.
- Pace Bus Hiring Event – Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2023, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm., South Suburban College, 15800 South State Street, South Holland, IL For more information email [gedwards@ssc.edu](mailto:gedwards@ssc.edu) or call 708-596-2000, ext. 5723.
- Congratulations to Manistee Avenue who got approved by the Mayor to organize their block club. We hope to collaborate with them on events/activities in the future.

#### 5. Unfinished Business

- Articles of Incorporation Not-For-Profit Organization – We filed our application for the organization with the Illinois Secretary of State. Within ten business days we will know if we are approved (expected date Jan. 24, 2023).
- 2023 Sidewalk/Curb Repair List – Our 2023 list was submitted by the President on Sept. 26, 2022, for 21 residents, however, the list was not accepted by the Alderwoman. Alderwoman Wilson requested each resident submit their request personally to her directly at 708-586-4990 (text), 708-891-8192 (office) or [2ndWardforWilson@gmail.com](mailto:2ndWardforWilson@gmail.com) (email). The President notified the residents on 11/18 and 12/18. The Executive Board will follow up with the residents to ensure they submit their request. We will also track responses from the Alderwoman, although, some residents have already received a response from her acknowledging their request. However, she stated repairs are not guaranteed and are depending on the budget.
- Bike Path Upkeep – Table until April meeting. The President will reach out to the City and Alderwoman Wilson regarding the upkeep.

#### 6. New Business

- Standing Committees
  - ✓ Event Committee (Felicia Knight, Chair, 708-267-5116) – In charge of planning, organizing and implementing events.

Block Club Party, Holiday Social Event

- ✓ ***Outreach Committee (Chairperson needed)*** – In charge of planning and conducting outreach activities.

Clothing drive, Can goods drive, library card drive

- ✓ ***Donation Committee (Chairperson needed)*** – In charge of seeking out businesses for donations to our not-for-profit organization's mission.

Walgreens/CVS, Restaurants, grocery stores, Sam's club, Linz Meat Company

- ✓ Educational Committee (Rochelle Marceillars, Chairperson, 773-315-8044)  
In charge of developing criteria for essay competition; open to high school graduating Seniors and undergraduate college students.

Essay on a specific topic/subject, rank, and score, select winner with highest score.

Award small scholarship to be used towards college expenses paid directly to the attending college for the student.

- ✓ Webpage Design Volunteers - We are currently creating our website using "WIX" application. We are also in need of assistance from someone who has experience in the area of "web design." If you know someone who is willing to assist please contact our President at 773-315-8044. Patricia Tate stated her kids have friends who are knowledgeable on creating websites. The President will reach out to them.

7. Block Club Dues/Jan. 14, 2023 (Asst. Treasurer) - Membership dues are to be paid by the residents @ \$20.00 per household each quarter. The Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> dues will not be collected at this time. The Executive Board is awaiting the Articles of Incorporation approval. Once approved an EIN number will be applied for in order to open a bank account for the block club organization. All residents will be notified when to start paying their dues once all the necessary paperwork has been completed and the bank account is opened.

8. Next Block Club Meeting – Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, Calumet City Library, 2pm – 3pm.

- Submit agenda items for our April meeting to the President at 773-315-8044.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Meeting - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month. Next meeting will be Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 6:30 pm – 8 pm, Calumet City Public Safety Training Center, 24 State Street. Special guest Aradia Clark, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward resident, will present information on the Solar Panel program and who may qualify for rebates. There will also be another Southland guest to discuss available benefits for our ward residents.

- City Council Meeting - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. The agenda for the meetings can be located on the City's website. The City Council meetings are videotaped and placed on YouTube and the government access channel.
9. Inspirational Message/Prayer – John McBeth, Sergeant-At-Arms, ended the meeting with prayer.
10. Adjourn – *A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, Kenny Jones so moved, John McBeth seconded. Motion passed.*

Meeting adjourned at 3:25pm.



Rochelle Marceillars, President

3/16/2023

Date



Lorita Patterson, Secretary

03/16/23

Date