



Board of Directors Meeting Notes  
September 21, 2023

Board Member Attendees: Carolyn Bentley, Fred Calatrello, Dan Cotter, Jaime Deplet, Jonathan Greever, Dan Imfeld, John Jackson, Kate O'Neil, Seronica Powell, Deb Smith, Rich Sosenko, Tom Tosuksri, Julie Dahlhausen (Executive Director) and Ex Officios Shannon Copfer Brace and Claire Elliot.

1. Meeting Called to Order (6:32 p.m.)
2. Approve August minutes:
  - a. Jonathan Greever motioned to approve the August meeting notes, Fred Calatrello seconded, all approved.
3. Action Item: Assign Julie Dahlhausen as authorized signer of Tremont West's Village Capital Corporation account
  - a. Seronica Powell requested a motion to approve. Deb Smith motioned to approve, Fred seconded, all approved.
4. Action Item: Assign Julie Dahlhausen as authorized signer of Tremont West's Dollar Bank account
  - a. Seronica requested a motion to approve. Deb motioned to approve, Fred seconded, all approved.
5. Executive Director's Report
  - a. Sale of 7222 Brinsmade: The sale of Brinsmade closed in September. Net profit to Tremont West was \$79,096.73.
  - b. Cleveland Neighborhood Progress (CNP) Notice of Funding: Julie went over the categories CNP is using to determine how much grant funding they will issue to neighborhood organizations. Tremont West is putting together an application.
  - c. Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival: Julie went over some preliminary numbers from the event and reported that a full financial breakdown will be available at the October meeting.
  - d. Taste of Tremont: The net revenue for this years event was \$14,934.
  - e. Constantino's Update: Moved to Old Business to allow the board to go into executive session.

## 6. Committee Reports:

### a. Finance:

- i. Copies of this month's financials were available for review at the board meeting. The finance committee is in the process of doing a full review of this report. The yearly audit is beginning this fall and may be available for review at the November meeting.

### b. Economic Development:

- i. The city is universally telling developers that they don't need to go through the community process.
- ii. The committee discussed the Abbey/ W20th apartment building and the dramatic differences between what was presented and approved by the neighborhood and what is being built.

### c. Safety:

- i. Dan Cotter talked with the city about replacing lightbulbs in Lincoln Park. 17 are scheduled to be replaced soon.
- ii. Dan is also working with the city forestry department to get trees that are blocking stop signs trimmed.
- iii. Both of the above projects have been in process for a very long time and seem to finally be getting attention from the city.

### d. Governance:

- i. Other planned projects were put aside in order to focus on the urgent need for transition management to support new director Julie as needed.
- ii. OCI has distributed a letter to their board members that the Tremont West board reviewed. There were some inaccuracies including estimating a much shorter timeline for strategic planning than is the Tremont West board's understanding. Discussion continued about how OCI is choosing to communicate with their constituents and what Tremont West needs to do to communicate with ours.

### e. Celebrate Tremont Fundraiser

- i. RallyUp site is live, emails and social media messages are going out to encourage ticket sales. Kate asked the committee to buy tickets and encourage their friends to do the same.
- ii. Discussion was had about the AFLAC bench in the park and what Tremont West could do to capitalize on that for our own fundraising purposes.
- iii. Discussion was had about ticket prices and ways to accommodate guests who need some help with ticket prices.

7. New Business: None presented
8. Old Business:
  - a. Constantino's Update: Jonathan moved to go into executive session, Jaime seconded, all approved. Jaime motioned to come out of executive session, Dan Cotter seconded, all approved.
9. The Meeting was Adjourned (7:53 p.m.)  
Dan Imfeld motioned to adjourn, Dan Cotter seconded, all approved.