

SOUTH EAST LAKEVIEW NEIGHBORS (SELVN)
General Meeting
December 10, 2018
Second Unitarian Church,
656 West Barry St., Chicago IL

SELVN Meeting Minutes at selvn.org

MINUTES

1) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS, President Jan Sumrall.

- a) The board members were introduced for the benefit of new members/attendees.
- b) The December SELVN General Meeting was called to order by President Sumrall at 6:55 p.m. with 16 current members and 8 non-members in attendance.

2) GENERAL UPDATE – Jan Sumrall.

- a) Board Elections – 2019 and 2020 Term. There are currently eleven (11) Board Members. Two (2) Board Member positions were vacated as a result of two Board Members moving out of SELVN. The following Board Members currently serve for the 2018-2019 term: Ted Argiris, John Blackburn, Mary Davis, Don Franklin, Jan Sumrall and Abe Trieger. The following Board Members currently serve for the 2017-2018 term: York Chan, Robert Clarke, Liz Cohen, Mary Knoblauch and John Rafkin. The following Board Members are nominated to serve for the 2019-2020 term: York Chan, Robert Clarke, Liz Cohen, Mary Knoblauch and John Rafkin (collectively, the “Slate”). There were no nominations from the floor. Don Franklin made a motion that a vote be taken for the election of the Slate for the 2019-2020 term. The motion was seconded by Ted Argiris. A vote was taken, and the result was: 15 yes votes; zero no votes; and zero abstentions.
- b) 44th Ward Updates. See below.
- c) 515 Wellington. 515 Wellington is an orange rated single family home that is on the list of potential significant homes in SELVN for inclusion for landmarking. 515 Wellington was recently sold to a family and is under renovation.
- d) Old TJMaxx Site (2840 North Broadway). The Lake View East Chamber of Commerce is reaching out to retailers of the caliber of a “Nordstrom Rack” to lease the vacated TJMaxx space. Alderman Tunney’s Office will continue to provide updates.
- e) Bobtail Ice Cream Shop. Bobtail was recently bought by Johnson’s Real Ice. Johnson’s Real Ice has been providing ice cream to Bobtail for a number of years. The Bobtail will close on January 1, 2019 for renovations.
- f) Home/Garage Safety Check. Officer Dave Diaz of the 19th Police District is available to perform a walk-through and review any home/garage safety measures in place. Officer Diaz will provide suggestions to further secure your home/garage. This is strictly a security review. Officer Diaz does not provide names of companies that provide security systems, etc. Officer Diaz can be reached at david.diaz@chicagopolice.org.

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- g) 19th Police District Twitter Account. The 19th Police District has a Twitter account. Daily postings include alerts, general activities and events.
- h) Alderman Tunney Newsletter. Alderman Tunney's Office circulates a weekly newsletter every Thursday. The newsletter includes general updates, alerts and events. You can subscribe to the newsletter by signing up through Alderman Tunney's website.

3) 44th WARD UPDATE – Alderman Tom Tunney/Jessica Papp.

- a) Clark/Diversey (Old Walgreens). Demolition/construction is delayed. The developer has determined that it does not need the additional parking spaces for the PUD. The existing 170 parking spaces in the garage are sufficient to satisfy parking needs. However, as required, the developer is in the process of amending the PUD and will go back to the Planning Department for approval. If and when the revised PUD is approved, the revised plans and construction schedule will be sent to Alderman Tunney's office and posted on Alderman Tunney's website.
- b) Streetscape – Vision Zero. Alderman Tunney's Office is still working on increasing pedestrian safety including reworking bike lanes and pedestrian bump-outs. A stop sign is being considered for Clark and Oakdale. The Halsted and Oakdale intersection continues to be problematic. Safety solutions for the intersection are being looked into.
- c) 538 West Diversey (Old Bank of America Building) Proposed Day Care Center. The parties are working through construction plans and appear to be close to finalization. This is a major project. There will be a 15 Minute Drop Off and Pick Up Zone on Diversey in front of the entrance to the Day Care Center. Alderman Tunney's Office will continue to provide updates.
- d) 3122 North Broadway (Old Bamee Noodle Shop). Liz Cohen asked about the construction. It appears that construction has temporarily stopped. Alderman Tunney advised that there are no construction issues and the developer is going forward with construction of the project as approved.
- e) Motorized Scooters Program/Ordinance. Ted Argiris asked about the status of approving a motorized scooter program for the area. Alderman Tunney advised that he does not support a motorized scooter program; it is a pedestrian nightmare. Since there is no motorized scooter ordinance, the pilot program was illegal and moved forward without authorization.
- f) Proposed Turf and Soccer Field. At this time, there are no new updates on the status of discussions with Alderman Tunney and the Chicago Park District for a proposed turf field for soccer and football (east of the driving range and Diversey Harbor). Details will continue to follow as discussions continue.
- g) Landmark District Neighborhood Update. As a follow-up, Alderman Tunney mentioned that there are 64 properties that are being considered for landmark designation (the "Proposed Landmark Properties"). A final notice will be sent to the owners of the

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Proposed Landmark Properties and the SELVN community for a meeting to gather input and support on the landmarking the Proposed Landmark Properties. It is anticipated that the notice will be circulated in February 2019. Details will continue to follow.

- h) 3028 Lake Shore Drive House. As a follow-up to recent inquiries, the Park District is still reviewing the process by which the owner of the property received permits to landscape the area in front of the house and install a walkway from the house to the sidewalk which is Park District property. Alderman Tunney's Office will continue to follow up on the status which is currently in the Park District's ballpark.
- i) Merlo Library on Belmont Renovation Update. The Merlo Library will be undergoing a 5 Million Dollar renovation. Ground breaking shall occur at the end of March 2019. The new facility will be completed and open to the public by December 2019. A public meeting to present the scope of the renovation was held on November 19, 2018 at the Merlo Library at 644 West Belmont. The Merlo Library is a polling location. Alternative space for a polling location will be provided.

4) NEW BUSINESS – None.

5) ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- a) None.
- b) Next meeting will be Monday, January 14, 2019.

6) MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

- a) The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Sumrall – President, SELVN