

SOUTH EAST LAKEVIEW NEIGHBORS (SELVN)
General Meeting
July 10, 2023
Second Unitarian Church,
656 West Barry Street, Chicago, IL

SELVN Meeting Minutes at selvn.org

MINUTES

1) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS, President Jan Sumrall.

- a) The meeting was a **virtual** meeting. Board members were introduced for the benefit of new members/attendees.
- b) The July SELVN General Meeting was called to order by President Sumrall at 7:03 p.m. with 6 board members and 4 members/non-members.

2) OFFICE OF SENATOR SARA FEIGENHOLTZ - UPDATE – Max Umansky, District Director for Senator Feigenholtz.

- a) Senator Feigenholtz is the Chair of the Financial Institutions Committee and Vice-Chair of the Appropriations Committee. Senator Feigenholtz is also on several other committees.
- b) The EPA is trying to move emission testing back into the city by setting up kiosks within the city. To date, the locations have not been identified.
- c) The State is currently holding \$1M plus dollars in unclaimed funds. You can easily check the State website to determine if the State is holding any funds for a person.
- d) Senator Feigenholtz is hosting Brewery Night with Your Elected Officials with State Representative Margaret Croke and Alderman Bennett Lawson on July 20, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Dryhop Brewers, 3155 North Broadway.
- e) The specifics of any bill that Senator Feigenholtz is working on can be viewed on her website or the State of Illinois website.
- f) If anyone needs help or assistance, they can reach out to Senator Feigenholtz and her staff at sara@senatorsara.com.

3) REPRESENTATIVE MARGARET CROKE - UPDATE – Jacqueline Duarte, Chief of Staff for Representative Croke.

- a) Representative Croke continues to work on various bills. The specifics of any bill that Representative Croke is working on can be viewed on her website or the State of Illinois website.
- b) Jacqueline also mentioned Brewery Night with Your Elected Officials.

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- c) If anyone needs help or assistance, they can reach out to Representative Croke and her staff at info@repcroke.com.

4) GENERAL UPDATE – Jan Sumrall.

- a) Storefronts. Several of the storefronts on Broadway and Clark continue to show signs of work in the spaces and/or coming soon signs.
- b) Dine Out on Broadway. The first Dine Out on Broadway was held on July 7, 8 and 9. The next Dine Out on Broadway will be September 15, 16 and 17. See the Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce website for additional information, dates, times, and the participating restaurants.
- c) Police Appreciation Day. The 19th District Steering Committee provided meals for all the Officers for all shifts on Police Appreciation Day, July 7. The acting Superintendent and his executive staff, the Chaplain for the Police Department and Alderman Lawson attended the event. The Officers were very appreciative.
- d) 19th Police District Twitter Account. The 19th Police District has a Twitter Account. Daily postings include alerts, general activities, and events.
- e) Chicago Alternative Policing (CAPS). An officer from the CAPS Office is available to come to a resident's home, rental and/or condominium building or commercial business to provide a security assessment and safety tips. If you are interested in a security assessment, please reach out to CAPS.019district @chicagopolice.org. or call (312) 744-0064.
- f) Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce. The website includes general information regarding events, local specials, restaurants, and stores that are open, as well as suggestions to help local businesses. The website is www.lakevieweast.com
- g) Alderman Lawson Newsletter. Alderman Lawson's Office circulates a weekly newsletter every Friday. The newsletter includes general updates, alerts, and events (i.e., neighborhood events, construction updates, donation drives, etc.). You can subscribe to the newsletter by signing up through Alderman Lawson's website.
- h) Re-Define Lake Shore Drive. All of the particulars of the Project, including exhibits, are posted on www.northdusablelakeshoredrive.org. In addition, there is a link on the website to sign up for the newsletter. It is anticipated that there will be a community meeting that will provide updates on the Re-Define Lake Shore Drive Plan in fall 2023.

5) 44th WARD UPDATE – Alderman Bennett Lawson/Jake Shelly, Director of Infrastructure and Special Projects - Alderman Bennett Lawson's Office.

- a) 44th Ward Update. Along with other governmental offices across the north side, Alderman Lawson's Office is accepting donations to help the migrants arriving in Chicago. A full list of highly needed items is listed on Alderman Lawson's website. There

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is a centralized website including all the volunteer opportunities, needed items and financial donations links for the migrants, which can be found via the link on Alderman Lawson's website.

- b) Community Advisory Councils. Alderman Lawson is rolling out four community advisory councils which include: (i) Parks, Arts, and Green Advisory Council, (ii) Smart Streets Advisory Council, (iii) Senior Advisory Council, and (iv) Planning and Zoning Council. See Alderman Lawson's website for additional information about the councils and how you can get involved.
- c) Resurfacing. Street resurfacing started today and, weather permitting, will continue on (i) Diversey from Lake Shore Drive to Orchard, (ii) Broadway from Belmont to Diversey, and (iii) Pine Grove from Barry to Wellington.
- d) Senior Picnic. Alderman Lawson's Senior Picnic will be held Thursday, July 27, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Wellington and Lake Shore Drive.
- e) Public Safety Updates. See Alderman Lawson's website for public safety updates.
- f) General and Construction Updates. See Alderman Lawson's Weekly Newsletter for additional general updates, events, construction updates, street closures and street cleaning, etc., in the area.

1) NEW BUSINESS.

- a) None.

2) ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- a) Next meeting will be August 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.
- b) Next CAPS Meeting will be August 23, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

3) MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

- a) The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Sumrall – President, SELVN