



## Approved Meeting Minutes October 11th, 2016

**ATTENDING:** Nancy Sydlosky, Sue Balliet, Jim Sprague, Jennifer Savelli, Rich Ward, Linda Fuerstenberg, Jeanet Hazar, Linda Roden, Kathy Arnold, Rolf Eschke, Keri Barrett, Jennifer Bastian, Chuck Place, Mary Place, Diane Donahue, Meredith Bocek, and guest Lisa Schumacher.

The meeting was called to order by President, Nancy Sydlosky at 7:05 PM.

**Introductions:** Nancy and Jim introduced Jennifer Bastian who recently volunteered to serve as the TTCA's photographer. We also welcomed visitor Lisa Schumacher, who is a resident of the Gary/Lynn Apartments located at the bottom of the Terrace adjacent to State Rte 434. A discussion revealed that, to the best of our knowledge, the TTCA has never included residents of this apartment complex in our Membership Drive nor on our newsletter mailing list. In the interests of inclusion, the Board asked Lisa to conduct an informal survey of Gary/Lynn residents to gauge their level of interest in becoming formally associated with and included in the activities of the TTCA. Lisa will report back at the November meeting.

**Meeting Minutes (Joe Sienko, Secretary)** – A motion to accept the September, 2016 meeting minutes, as prepared by Joe Sienko and presented by Jim, was made by Chuck and seconded by Rich.

**Treasurer's Report (Sue Balliet, Treasurer)** – Sue reported no income for the past month. \$530.78 in expenses was disbursed for the printing and mailing of the recent newsletter. A motion to accept the September 2016 budget report, as presented, was made by Linda R. and seconded by Rich.

**Newsletter (Diane Donahue, Chairperson—Jennifer Savelli, Editor Asst.)** – Rolf reported that the pick-up of newsletters at the new printer went smoothly. Minor refinements to the contact process will be made for the next edition. Diane reported that, due to a misunderstanding, the print run was short by 25 copies. The printer quickly responded with additional copies which were hand-delivered to homes by Jennifer S. To ensure an adequate number are printed, including 'spares' used for newcomers, future print runs will be for 800 copies. The next issue will go out just after the upcoming Halloween Party. Deadline for articles

submitted to Diane is Wed., November 2<sup>nd</sup>. For the column introducing new TTCA Board members, Jim and Jennifer B. will share the interview/writing duties.

On a separate topic, the Board discussed the possibility of using full-color printing for one or two of our four newsletters each year. Diane suggested that the Halloween (Fall) issue and the Holiday issue would be best suited for this, given the extensive use of photography within them. Diane will review her files and contact the printer to determine what incremental costs would be involved, and what options we might have.

### **Garage Sale (Rich Ward, Chairperson) — NO-REPORT**

**Halloween Party (Kathy Arnold, Chairperson)** – Kathy reports planning is well underway with the many details of the upcoming parade and party. The Board offered suggestions, contact information, and assistance with several tasks. Eric LaClair will provide his truck to pick up/return the church's folding tables and chairs for the event, which will be held on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, from 2-4:00 pm. Several businesses will be providing donated/discounted goodies. Lisa offered contact information for the local Freihoffers' store. Expenses for games will be shared with the Tioga Hills Elem. PTO. Linda R. reports that drivers for the 2 parade fire trucks have been approved by the AFD.

**Highway/Legislature (Meredith Bocek, Chairperson)** – Meredith reported that the Town Highway Dept has been in the Terrace lately with equipment, sweeping streets and cleaning out drainage catch basins. Meredith will contact Superintendent Mark Clark for info regarding fall leaf pick-up plans. Nancy initiated an extended discussion re: her meeting with the Town's code enforcement officer regarding two neglected properties of concern in the Terrace. Ultimately, he indicated that both properties are currently in compliance with Town housing codes and no action is planned. Meredith will extend an invitation to the Town Planning and Zoning Board to have a representative attend a future TTCA Board meeting to explain relevant code requirements.

**Membership (Keri Barrett, (incoming) and Mary Place (departing) Chairperson)** – Keri and Mary reported that a smooth transition of duties has been completed. Dues payments continue to trickle in. To date, a total of \$6453 has been raised for the 2016-17 program year. The Board extended its sincerest appreciation to Mary for her leadership and for continually improving this critical activity over the past 6 years.

**Newcomers (Carol Fontana, Linda Fuerstenberg, Co-Chairs)** – Linda reports that she and Carol visited 5 homes recently, making contact with one new family.

### **Parks (Kathy Arnold, Chairperson) – NO-REPORT**

**Socials** (Jeanet Hazar, Chairperson) – Jeanet reports that the CPR/AED course will be held on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at the Methodist Church, from 9:00 to noon. Six Board members are enrolled. A trainer from the Union Volunteer Emergency Squad will lead the session.

**Website** (Mike Showalter, Website Administrator) – NO-REPORT

**Old Business:**

Sign Storage: Thanks to a group effort, all signs and related materials for the TTCA's annual garage sale and our Membership Drive have been stored in the Park Terrace Church's basement. Arrangements will be made soon for placing our portable message sign there, as well.

**New Business:**

An extended discussion ensued when Nancy asked for the Board's input on several topics related to outside organizations' increasing requests for space in our newsletters, on our website, etc.. Regarding allowing outside businesses the opportunity to place gift cards/certificates in our welcome packets given to Terrace newcomers, the Board agreed to allow this practice.

Regarding allowing non-profits to place information (other than paid ads) about their organizations in the Association's publications and/or website, the Board had varying views. Concerns included: being overwhelmed with requests; allowing it for some, but not others; competition for our limited space; timeliness of website postings and added work for our website administrator; competition for our 'messages'; and others were discussed. Meredith offered to draft guidelines to help us determine which groups/organizations we might or might not want to give access to. She will present this for discussion at the next Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.

**Next meeting is scheduled for November 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm**

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Sprague, acting Secretary