



SSA #18 COMMISSION – February 6, 2019
Nookies Tree, 3334 N. Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Commissioner Tim Klump called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and the following Commissioners were in attendance: Dave Gassman, Kearby Kaiser, Tim Klump, Mike Raffety and Randy Shingledecker.

Also in attendance was Northalsted Executive Director Chad Honeycutt and Director of Operations Eric Santiago. Two members of the public were in attendance.

2. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the December 12, 2018 meeting were distributed and reviewed.

MOVED by Kearby Kaiser

And SECONDED by Randy Shingledecker

to approve the minutes from December 12th.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. Commissioner Updates

Eric reports that Mark Zipperer will not be renewing for a second commissioner term. Cindy Rudman has announced that she will be relocating business operations from her storefront space at 3629 N. Halsted to a small office at 3916 N. Halsted Street. Since her business operations are relocating within the SSA boundaries she will remain on the commission.

All commissioners are asked to share suggestions to fill the two vacancies left by Mark and Matt. Kearby states that he has suggestions and he volunteers to be part of the search committee with Jim.

Eric announces that the SSA Forum will be held on April 24th. Mike and Kearby volunteer to attend the event on behalf of Northalsted. Eric also encourages everyone to complete their city and county ethics statements.

4. Northalsted Updates

Chad informs the commission that his last day at the Northalsted Business Alliance will be March 15th and that the board of directors is currently searching for the next executive director. He thanks everyone on the commission for their dedication to the community.

Chad informs the commission that Frost Fest will not be held this year but that we will be holding the Soup Walk on Saturday, February 24th.

We are looking at plans to expand the Chicago Pride Fest footprint in order to allow more people the opportunity to participate.

5. 2018 Budget Update

Eric reports that we estimating to finish under budget for 2018 and that the audit will be presented at our April commission meeting.

6. SSA Programs Update

Eric asks the commission for feedback on the temporary art installations that we have created in the past. The commission states they support these photo friendly art installations and would like to see how we can continue to create similar art installations this year.

7. Rainbow Crosswalk Initiative Plan

Eric presents the plans to bring rainbow crosswalks to Chicago's Boystown neighborhood. The plan is still in the early stages of development and we are working with CDOT on this program. Our goal is to have these new crosswalks installed in May so that everything is complete in advance of Pride Month.

8. Public Comment

The two public members introduce themselves and say they are researching how SSA's work by attending various local meetings as they hope to organize an SSA in their community.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business,

**It was MOVED by Kearby Kaiser
and SECONDED by Mike Raffety
to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m.
MOTION CARRIED.**

Next meeting will be held on April 10, 2019.