**Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, February 16 @ 6:30pm–8:30pm

Bethany United Methodist Church

3910 Mineral Point Rd, Madison, WI 53705

Present: Linda Fahy, Jonathan Becker, Matt McCasland, Albert Bryan, Liz Vowles, Rich Kedzior, Tyler Oronek, Maggie Heinemann, Regina Vidaver, Ulrike Dieterle

**Welcome and Opening Comments:** No Adjustments to Agenda; (Regina Vidaver may join us later for an update)

**Announcements & Reports:**

**Treasurer’s & Membership Reports:** (Rich): SVCA is financially sound even though donations are down. Ads in newsletter bring in significant dollars. Current balance of available funds - $ 8,584.73 Membership has remained fairly stable with 7 new members in the fall. Biggest membership leap is always at the August Ice Cream Social when many neighbors either renew or start their SVCA membership. Ulrike mentioned “thank you” cards were sent in January to those contributing $50 or more. She also suggested the possibility of ordering thank you cards and stationary with the SVCA logo. Ulrike will look into the cost and work this out with Rich.

**SVCA Newsletter** (Liz): SVCA Village Voice newsletter is being delivered to approximately 1100 households. Copies are also put at the library. Thanks to the many volunteers who deliver the newsletter to the door.

**Friends of Hoyt Park Update**: FOHP will host a sledding event on February 19.

**Mayoral Forum, September 30, 2023** at Sequoya Library (Ulrike): 7 near west side neighborhood associations hosted 3 mayoral candidates. Attendance was over 400, with 100 attending at the library, 300 on Zoom and additional viewers on the TV simulcast. The technology was flawless. A recording of the Forum was made available to participating neighborhood associations to share.

**Sidewalks on Harvey Street** (Rich):Rich presented the case for expansion off sidewalks on Harvey Street. Supporting handouts included maps, reference to guiding documents, Harvey St. facts, and next steps. Discussion and Vote on Proposed Resolution passed with one opposed.

**Update from Alder Vidaver:** Transportation overlay passed. Family definition passed without overlay.

**Participation in Future Red Cross Blood Drives** was discussed. The July 13 date was suggested.

Albert Bryan read his letter to Don Thornton/Alexander Gee.

**Upcoming Events:**

Spring Primary Election -- February 21

Spring Election -- April 4

**Next Meeting: May 17; Location: TBD**

Meeting was Adjourned at 8pm.