**AGENDA**

**Clarendon PAC Meeting, Oct. 16, 2024, at 6:45 PM at Margate Park**

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Update on Action items from Sept. 25, 2024 meeting

**-Michael reached out to Linda Daly the Chicago Park District Deputy Director of Capital Constriction, she has not responded.
-Maria was going to reach out to a lighting designer - especially for plaza which will be used for lots of night events - and also surrounding the building.**

**-We’re still searching to find a video intern who can work on Instagram and Tiktok.
-Completed: Confirm date of removal of invasive plants in south community garden. GreenCorps coordinate with Breeane.**

**-Our next suggestion is asking Breeane (Community Gardens) to sit down with CPAC gardners to design the native plants landscape design plan.**

**-Railroad Club: Midwest Train Fest in Milwaukee trying to decide if they’re going to get a group of people there.**

**-We’d like to get a newsletter out before the end of the year.**

**-Melanie started conversation w/ 46th Ward office on North Lake Shore Drive process, offered CPAC as a resource**

1. Park programs update to refresh all on park programs/events (Katharine, Ryan, Connor)

a) Current idea list, Google Doc: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1s1BsjIs0qDCU3xgfviFZk0BknVbUSxeXZRLGSP8EHJo/edit?usp=sharing>
**We need to have our skeleton programming in place** - **Michael will meet with T’andre (spelling?) and Jon to start thinking what programs they want as a core program.**

b) Designated rooms: Toddler room, Teen room, etc. Consideration of renaming rooms (for example, “Teen Room” to “Young Adults” to expand the age range) and of possible new sub-advisory groups

1. Chicago Bears Lakefront Stadium and Chicago Lakefront Coalition opposition, spearheaded by Friends of the Parks. Asking for CPAC support. Open Discussion.

Info: <https://www.fotp.org/chilakefrontcoalition.html>. -

1. Renovation update

**-Parks District has not provided an updated timeline.**

**-Their construction completion date is listed as December 20th, 2024.**

**-January final, final date. Michael stated park staff will be in January.**

**-Michael to call Steven and confirm Maria told us that we’d be in next spring.**

1. Clarendon Park Gardens & Landscape update

**Action Item: Next objective is to get together and determine who will help us get an actual plan on native plants.**

1. Survey follow up and possible first email with results (also an update on the renovations?) Ryan suggested doing survey charts with community programs/events for easy viewing.
2. Idea of CPAC becoming a 501(c)(3)
3. Currently Friends of the Parks is our fiscal sponsor.
4. Need to change credit union account anyway due to FOTP staff departure.
5. Vote to amend current FOTP board member. Vote taken via email
6. Research needed: resources to help, pros, cons, options
7. Chicago Bears Lakefront Stadium and Chicago Lakefront Coalition opposition, spearheaded by Friends of the Parks. Asking for CPAC support. Open Discussion. Info: <https://www.fotp.org/chilakefrontcoalition.html>.
**What is the cost to set up (and renew) 501(c)(3) status
There are some benefits that would make it easier to donate over PayPal and other**

 **4-0 Vote in favor of #8 amendment. Amendment is passed.**

1. Open Discussion

**NEXT CPAC meeting is Nov. 20, 2024, at 6:45 pm \*\*OVER ZOOM\*\***

**Action Item: AG to start newsletter process**

**Michael to figure out ribbon-cutting process**