

SPENA Board Meeting Minutes

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 Day, Month July 22, 2025, 6:30 pm

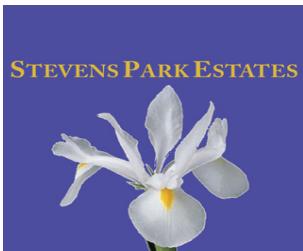


(* = Absent)

Board Members	Committee Chairs	
Nathan Cox, President	*Lindsey Patterson, Social	*Skylar Fechner, NOCCP
*Jessica Faulks, Vice-President	Saul Reyes, Beautification & Parks	Mike McVey, Heritage Oak Cliff
Larry Worden, Treasurer	*Peggy Shipp, Welcome Ambassador	*Joanna Robben, Greenspace
Mary Calvo, Secretary	Kenda North, Communications	
Carol Rybarski, Past-President	Hannah Coxon, Social Media	
Agenda Topics	Presenter(s)	
2025 May Board Meeting Minutes Approval (Approvals made on-line prior to meeting)	Nathan Cox	
Open Action Items Review (see action items section below for details)	Mary Calvo	
Treasury Report (See attached Treasury Reports for details) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership YTD increase of xx members and \$xx 	Larry Worden	
Parks & Rec Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5-year plan update (Plan is available on DropBox site) Dallas Foundation grant request update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request is due Friday, 7/25/25 SPENA should expect to get a grant for ~\$25k to \$50k for 2025 and possibly more for upcoming years There is strong interest from the City related to the SPENA Centennial celebration Greenspace will contract to remove Privet that would cost \$13k for one acre (Annie Stevens park is ~ 6 total acres with 1 acre of privet needed to be removed) Funding for playground will be available in October 2025. Target age groups for improved equipment is ages 5-12. In addition to playground equipment, we will consider options for older children such as climbing walls, balance bars, park benches, etc. The City of Dallas is responsible for the risk management on all the improvements that will be funded by the grants Discussed placing signs with QR Codes in park to access respective social media sites SPENA Board Members will monitor activities in Annie Stevens Park each week to gather a baseline of activities and place QR Codes around the park for those interested in these activities The Board will continue to add activities and programs for the park (e.g., Shakespeare in the Park, Halloween in the Park, FF in the Park, Yoga in the Park, etc.) Hannah Coxon will explore getting a social media site reference for Annie Stevens Park 	Saul Reyes, Kenda North, Larry Worden	
Heritage Oak Cliff Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$450 has been approved for the Annual Block Party \$439 has been approved for Centennial Banners, which is expected to cover 60% of the total cost. However, the Board has decided not to move forward 	Mike McVey	

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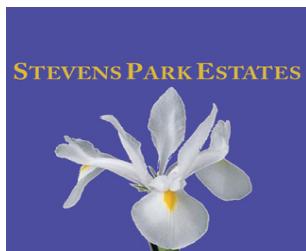


<p>with the banners at this time due to high costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board will consider what we need to request for next year by May 2026 (e.g., triangle maintenance, sidewalk repairs, sidewalk cut-out)	
<p>Stevens Park Centennial Celebration 9/25/25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Event will be held at the Turner House on 9/25/25• Invitations will be sent via Evite to residents and other neighborhood leaders (Nathan and Larry will work to get a list of neighborhood associate leaders to Kenda).• Kathy Kibble usually charges \$45 an hour for her services at Turner House but offered to help us for \$25. an hour if we put out a tip jar. She would bartend and help with set up and clean up. There was discussion of having a signature cocktail available, but it will need to be pre-mixed, ready to serve.• Options for food and drinks were discussed to contact restaurants in the neighborhood including Nova, Aries Pantry, Cibo Dvino, Creatia, etc. for possible donations. Costco, signature centennial cocktail, water, soda, plates, utensils, etc.• Kenda continues to work on layout and content of Centennial Magazine and is in need of stories to include. The Board will assist with reach-out to neighbors that we know to get some content. There was also discussion about identifying all of the Dilbeck houses throughout SPENA• The Board discussed a potential need to create a slide show to run throughout the celebration event.• Nathan reported that Alberto Garza has offered to help with assimilating and gathering historically significant information on SPENA homes.• An agenda for the evening needs to be created (Chad West confirmed as a presenter)• Discussed using Costco to purchase water, soda, plates, utensils, etc.• A list of volunteers needs to be organized that will participate in various events throughout the Centennial celebration (e.g., signs in front of houses that are 100 years old, stories about various homes, etc.)• Final decision needs to be made on direction for light post banners	Nathan, Kenda
<p>SPENA Board Electronic Documentation – time permitting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drop Box (Larry)• Discuss next steps to identify key documentation and knowledge necessary for this Board and future Boards	Larry

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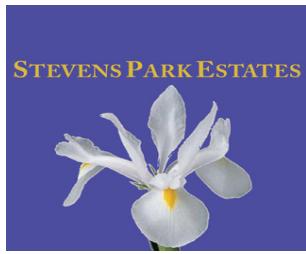
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Action Items	Assigned to	Status
Centennial Banners (printing, hardware, etc.)	SPENA Board Members	Removed
Prepare agenda and slide presentation for Centennial Celebration	TBD	Not Started
Develop Evite targeting residents and neighborhood leaders for Centennial Celebration	TBD	Not Started
Provide list of North Oak Cliff neighborhood association leaders	Nathan Cox, Larry Worden	Not Started
Identify Dilbeck houses throughout SPENA	TBD	Not Started
Develop QR Code to be placed on signs at Annie Stevens Park	Hannah Coxon	Not Started
Assign Board Members for one week of the month to monitor activities in Annie Stevens Park	Mary Calvo	Not Started
Develop Centennial Logo	Hannah Coxon	Not Started
Identify signature cocktail for Centennial event	TBD	Not Started
Purchase drinks, utensils, and other necessary items from Costco	TBD	Not Started
Arrange for Annie Stevens Park activities and programs (e.g., Shakespeare in the Park, Halloween in the Park, FF in the Park, Yoga in the Park, etc.)	TBD	Not Started
Develop Sign-up Genius sheet to monitor activities in Annie Stevens	Hannah Coxon	Not Started
Reach out to SPENA neighbors that Board Members know to get content regarding various SPENA homes.	All Board Members	WIP
Secure Alberto Garza has to help with assimilating and gathering historically significant information on SPENA homes.	Nathan Cox	WIP
Solicit volunteers from SPENA residents to participate in organizing various events (e.g., signs in front of houses that are 100 years old, stories about various homes, etc.)	Kenda North	WIP
Solicit stories from SPENA residents and get them to Kenda	SPENA Board	WIP
Solicit local areas restaurants to provide food for Centennial Celebration	TBD	WIP
Define ad hoc group assisting Kenda with Centennial Celebration	SPENA Board	WIP
Finalize playground design with Gerald White	Kenda North	WIP
Continue discussions with Chad West regarding requests for curb cut-outs and medians at crossing on Colorado (Oak Cliff Boulevard and Mayflower)	Nathan Cox	WIP
Solicit participation from others to assist with playground equipment, etc.	Kenda North	WIP
Notify Peggy Shipp of any new residents in your areas	All to Peggy Shipp	WIP (ongoing)

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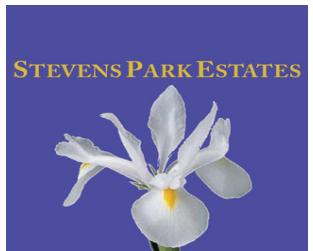


Review Annie Stevens Park 5-Year Plan and submit additions, edits, etc.	All to Saul Reyes	Complete
Provide updates on Dallas Grant Foundation submittals	Kenda North, LarryWorden	Complete
Resident Recognition Discussion - defer Continue brainstorming recognition ideas of neighbors in our community, the Board discussed considering the following ideas (Board members excluded): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yard of the month • Best Decorations (Halloween, Christmas) • Easter Celebration (hosted by Lynn and Thomas each year) • Others? 	All	Defer to Fall 2025
Round with SPENA residents to promote membership. Target people who are not members by distributing SPENA membership flyers to SPENA residents' doors (Note: We will use the same core group that distributed the Membership Party flyers).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic & Oak Cliff Blvd Nathan • Marydale Hannah/Mike • Colorado Carol • Old Orchard Larry • Mayflower Mary • Lauraette & Plymouth Saul 	Defer to Fall 2025
Consider options for incentives for people paying SPENA dues (eg: spray paint curbs with SPENA iris, etc.)	TBD	Defer to Fall 2025
Prepare HOC grant requests for 2026 May 2026 (e.g, triangle maintenance, sidewalk repairs, sidewalk cut-out)	Mike McVey	Deer to Spring 2026

Decisions	Made by	Date
Will not be moving forward with Centennial Banners on light posts	SPENA Board	7/22/25
Post QR codes throughout Annie Stevens Park to enhance social media presence	SPENA Board	7/22/25
Board Member monthly rounding at Annie Stevens Park	SPENA Board	7/22/25
Update Neighborhood Event signs	SPENA Board	7/22/25

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Next Meeting

8/4/25, Nathan Cox residence, 2011 Marydale Drive, Dallas, Tx, 6:30 pm

Meeting minutes taken by Mary Calvo