

**SOUTH EAST LAKEVIEW NEIGHBORS (SELVN)
General Meeting
November 11, 2019
Second Unitarian Church,
656 West Barry Street, Chicago, IL**

SELVN Meeting Minutes at selvn.org

MINUTES

1) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS, President Jan Sumrall.

- a) The board members were introduced for the benefit of new members/attendees.
- b) The November SELVN General Meeting was called to order by President Sumrall at 7:00 p.m. with 10 current members and 4 non-members in attendance.

2) GENERAL UPDATE – Jan Sumrall.

- a) Old Argo Tea Space (Broadway and Briar). Argo Tea has closed. It was reported at the last SELVN Meeting that it was rumored that the space would be used for a day care center. The signs in the window indicate that the space will be used for “Kids Play and Birthday Party.”
- b) Chicago Park District – Proposed Turf Field for Soccer, Lacrosse and Football (East of the Driving Range). The Park District has determined that the initial proposed drainage solution would not be effective. The Park District is continuing its research to provide a new drainage plan. Alderman Tunney will be meeting with the Park District the week before Thanksgiving for an update.
- c) Community Conversation. The second in a two-part Community Conversation Series with Police Officers from the 19th District Police Department and community members was held November 7, 2019 at the Uptown Buena Library. The Community Conversation was productive. Discussions were based on suggestions to better communicate with the community. As an example, (i) Coffee with a Cop, and (ii) one of the CAPS Officers regularly meets with students at the school for Pizza with a Cop and/or invites students to the Police Station for a tour of the Police Station.
- d) Shop Local – Gift Card. Collect \$300.00 in receipts from at least three (3) Lakeview East neighborhood stores from November 1, 2019 through December 20, 2019 and receive a \$50.00 gift card. Receipts should be turned in at the Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce, 3138 North Broadway. See the Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce website for details.
- e) 19th District Steering Committee. The 19th District Steering Committee provides meals for the staff of the 19th Police District on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. A flyer is on the sign-in table if you wish to donate.

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- f) Flyers. On the sign-in table there are several flyers for safety tips during the Holiday Season, Smart 911, recycling of electronics and additional community information and menus.
- g) 19th Police District Twitter Account. The 19th Police District has a Twitter account. Daily postings include alerts, general activities and events.
- h) Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS). Officer David Diaz is available to come to a resident's home or commercial business to provide a security assessment and safety tips for the residence, garage or business. Officer Diaz can be reached at david.diaz@chicagopolice.org.
- i) Re-Define Lake Shore Drive. All of the particulars of the Project are posted on www.northlakeshoredrive.org. In addition, there is a link on the website to sign up for the newsletter. Chester Kropidlow is on the Transportation Committee for LVCC (Lake View Citizens Council). Public meetings about the Project are ongoing and Chester Kropidlow and Alderman Tunney attend all of the meetings.
- j) Alderman Tunney Newsletter. Alderman Tunney's Office circulates a weekly newsletter every Thursday. The newsletter includes general updates, alerts and events (i.e., Thanksgiving events, donation drives, etc.) You can subscribe to the newsletter by signing up through Alderman Tunney's website.

3) 44th WARD UPDATE – Office of Alderman Tom Tunney.

- a) Due to the Veteran's Day Holiday, a representative from Alderman Tunney's Office was not in attendance.

4) SELVN BOARD NOMINATIONS – Jan Sumrall.

- a) In order to provide continuity, the two (2) year terms for Board Members are staggered.
- b) The current Board Members for the 2019-2020 term are York Chan, Robert Clarke, Liz Cohen, Mary Knoblauch and John Rafkin.
- c) The Slate of Candidates for the 2020-2021 term are Ted Argiris, Mary Davis, Don Franklin, Tom James, Jan Sumrall and Abe Trieger. If anyone is interested in serving on the SELVN Board, please reach out to Jan Sumrall or John Rafkin. The election will take place at the December 9, 2019 SELVN Meeting.

5) NEW BUSINESS.

- a) None.

6) ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- a) Next meeting will be Monday, December 9, 2019.

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7) MEETING ADJOURNMENT.

- a) The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Sumrall – President, SELVN