

# North Westdale Neighborhood Association

Minutes for January 30, 2019 Meeting - by Joan Winters - NWN Secretary

***Called to order:*** 7:05 PM

***Attendance:*** Approximately 40

***Welcome:*** NWN President **Martin Rubin** welcomed attendees.

***Approval of Minutes:*** October 17, 2018 minutes passed without objection.

***President's Report:*** Martin announced that **Andrew Kratzner**, a representative of the proposed Barringway Place Project (west corner of Barrington, Gateway and Pearl) called to postpone his appearance as he felt he should present the latest renderings, not yet available. He is rescheduled for the March 27 meeting. This started a discussion about apartment developments in our area. Neighbors expressed their frustration and disappointment with the ongoing developments and the current traffic problems that are occurring around us. Martin said he would invite Councilmember **Mike Bonin** to speak at our March meeting.

Unsafe, cracked and raised sidewalks were brought up, and Martin reminded neighbors to send him photos and addresses of places needing repairs and he would forward them to **Hannah Levien**, the Councilmember's Field Deputy who, due to illness, was unable to attend this meeting. We hope that she can attend our March meeting.

***Introduction of the new MVCC Zone 2 Director:*** Martin introduced **Heather Kamins**, the new Zone 2 Director for the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC). Heather is a North Westdale resident who read in the NWN Newsletter that there was an opening to be appointed as Zone 2 Director and she applied for the position.

***Guest Speaker:*** **Adrian Acosta**, our Senior Lead Officer (SLO) spoke and answered questions for the remainder of the meeting. He led a very informative discussion on crime in our community and brought crime maps. Thefts from vehicles is still a big problem. He urged people to call 911 if they witness a crime in progress, including someone jiggling car door handles, etc., of parked cars, and to insist to the 911 operator that they are witnessing a crime in progress and to send an officer right away. He also mentioned to email him if you are interested in having him conduct a neighborhood walk on your street, where he will point out potential items that could be attractive to criminals. He also spoke about traffic and homeless issues. He plans to attend our next meeting in March. After a little more discussion by Martin and attendees, the meeting was adjourned.

***Adjournment:*** 8:30 PM