

Pine Hills NA April 18 2019

PHNA Board members present

Virginia Hammer

John Hammer

Eric Schadow

Marilyn Douglas

Carolyn Keefe

Laurie Lieman

Gene Solan

Leah Golby

Meeting called to order 7PM - V Hammer

Presentations

Albany City Schools - Budget Vote May 21 2019

Ann Savage - School Board President

Kaweeda Adams - Superintendent

Ron Lesko - Communications Director

William Hogan - Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs

School vote coming up - May 21

Presented video and discussion on status of School District Budget

<https://albanyschools.org/Budget/index.htm>

Voting on the following

Budget 1.99% tax increase

Proposition 2 - Facilities renovations - 80 projects across the entire district

Two School Board seats are up for election

Albany Public Library

<https://www.albanypubliclibrary.org/>

Scott Jarzombek - Director of Albany Public Library - jarzombeks@albanypubliclibrary.org

No budget increase this year -

Library has a 94% patron satisfaction

Albany Public Library (APL) is top rated place to work

Art at APL returning

CDTA Navigator cards can be refilled at the library

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Commitment to North Albany Neighborhood.

Three Library trustees are up for election

APL budget vote is held the same day at the school vote saving a considerable amount of money.

Follow APL on social media

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Youtube <https://www.youtube.com/user/albanynylibrary>

APL Board Meetings are uploaded to Youtube

2020 Census - Libraries are already preparing to be able to assist residents that don't have computers to fill out the census records online.

Need to register to vote by May 6th

Committee reports

Zoning report

Paul/Leah/Ric

No update

Public Safety

Joe A. APD

Copper thefts have been reported - copper pipes being stolen from vacant houses.

CUCR

Luke R

April 10th Meeting DGS commissioner spoke -

Graduation May 19th <https://www.albany.edu/commencement>

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PHIG - Midtown Pine Hills

Next meeting April 22

Madison Park work underway - design of playground started

UM Upper Madison

April 27th Akum Norder Walking Tour `1pm to 3pm

<http://pinehillsna.org/event/walking-tour-with-akum-norder/>

May 9th at Steamer 10 - 7pm - 1939 Film- Destry Rides Again - FREE

Doug Bullock

Doug thanked the participants of the Pine Hills Cleanup.

Abandoned house at 655 Warren

County Mass Transit Committee looking to have bus service to the Albany County Jail.

Albany Airport expanding

CDTA procuring four electric buses

Owusu Anane 10th Ward

https://www.albanyny.gov/Government/CityOfficials/CommonCouncil/CouncilRep_Ward10.aspx

Pine Hills - Red and white X signs - 292 Partridge - abandoned house has been sold.

Owusu will be spending time and patrolling with the APD zone officers

Bike Racks are being installed on Madison Ave

Alfredo Balarin - 11th Ward

https://www.albanyny.gov/Government/CityOfficials/CommonCouncil/CouncilRep_Ward11.aspx

Albany DGS starting leaf pickup

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Project Strive Buildings turned over to Albany County Land Bank

General Announcements

April 27th Community Garage Sale 9AM to 3PM

Meeting adjourned