

**NORTHWEST CIVIC ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 7, 2009
MEADOW PARK CHURCH
2425 BETHEL ROAD**

Board of Trustees in attendance: Adair, Ashby, Carleton, Converse, Goodman, Krietemeyer, Presutti, Royal, Schmidt, Shaw, Watkins, Voelkel

The following minutes were recorded by Board Secretary, Jeanne Ashby President, Jennifer Adair, call the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Jeanne Ashby submitted the September Minutes. Motion to approve by John Schmidt, second by Scott Voelkel. Voice vote taken, minutes approved.

Treasurer's report given by Mark Krietemeyer. Motion to approve by Mark Krietemeyer, second by Marilyn Goodman.

CITY REPORTS:

Neighborhood Liaison: Isom Nivens reported that Rick Tilton of Public Services, is looking into the speeding on Abbey Church Road area and is taking the speed humps suggestion into serious consideration. At this time there is no money for speed bumps so Chris Riley, our police liaison said he would sit and watch for speeders. Since the Rumpke yard waste collection has not been reinstated there are 6 additional sites for yard waste. There will be free drops there on Saturdays during the Fall. Yesterday the Pride Center gave free flu shots for young people 19 yrs. and younger. There was a huge response of people that showed up. Tomorrow, the Neighborhood Safety Academy along with OSU are collaborating and giving away free smoke alarms.

Dave Shaw asked Isom if he could look into the white paint lines on the roads haven't been kept up. Night driving, especially in the rain, many of the lines are noticeably missing or too light. It makes for difficult driving. There is currently no existing list to report these roads. Isom said he would look into it.

COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Jeanne Ashby reported that mailers were sent to current members with their new Membership PLUS cards along with a 2010 application. There were 25 memberships sent back for 2010. Scott Voelkel handed a new two page outline for our Membership Committee which outlined new procedures and responsibilities. It was also discussed that maybe some of our grocery stores had community bulletin boards where we could post NWCA activities and informational bulletins.

OSU Airport: John Schmidt reports that the meeting for OSU Airport Noise Study part 150 will be Tuesday – October 27, 2009. This will be the last public hearing and consultants will reveal what the noise abatement options are. Cathy Ferrari if we could post the meeting on our NWCA website.

Events: Marilyn Goodman has been working on Candidates Night to be held at Centennial H.S. on Tuesday – October, 13. Reception will be at 6:30pm and program will start at 7:00pm. The Student Interns will be submitting audience questions in writing to the moderator. Each candidate will make a 3 minute presentation followed by a 1 minute rebuttal. Ruth Royal has received donations of food from Fresh Market, Refectory Restaurant, and Edible Arrangements for the Reception.

Parks, Recreation & Bikeways: Bill Carleton reported the City of Columbus Parking Code is going ahead with revisions to decrease the amount of parking spaces required for businesses. This may create a problem for when a business leaves a building that may later become a restaurant which would require more parking than another type of business. The City also wants more green space in parking lots along

with more trees. This could create a problem for security when security cameras can't monitor parking lots with these trees blocking their view.

Sycamore Hills Park Community Garden has run into opposition with some of the residents so it has been put on hold.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Kasberg reported that Franklin County is trying to allow trains to not blow their whistle when going through railroad crossings that have gates that block both sides of the road. This will make these intersections whistle free which would be good for the neighborhoods that are close to these railroad crossings. They already have whistle free crossings in Springfield, Ohio.

Scott Voelkel mentioned the the Olentangy Shopping Center has remodeled the fronts of the stores and thought it would be nice if the NWCA would write a letter to tell them how nice the shopping center looks. Mark Krietemeyer reported that our Clean-Up day at Bethel/Olentangy/315 will be Saturday – October, 24 at 9:00am. We will meet at McDonald Recreation Center.

Jeanne Ashby made a motion to go into Executive Session, second by Mark Krietemyer. Sidney Cordell was was interviewed by the Board of Trustees to be the 3rd Student Intern Trustee from Centennial H.S. A motion was made by Bill Carleton, second by Dave Shaw to get out of Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT: Jennifer Adair 8:40pm

Next Meeting: November 4, 2009 – Meadow Park Church -2424 Bethel Rd. Rm 213