

NORTHWEST CIVIC ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES - NOVEMBER 4, 2009
MEADOW PARK CHURCH
2425 BETHEL ROAD

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

The following minutes were recorded by Board Secretary, Jeanne Ashby,

President, Jennifer Adair, called the meeting to order at 7:04pm

Jeanne Ashby submitted the October Minutes. Motion to approve by Jeanne, Second by Marilyn. Voice vote taken, minutes approved.

Treasurer's report given by Mark Krietemeyer. Motion to approve by Mark Krietemeyer, second by Jeanne. Voice vote taken, report approved.

During the discussion of the Treasurers Report - Sidney and Jen said they will work with Mark to discuss how to spend the Bethel Road Tree Fund.

CITY REPORTS:

Police Department: Officer Ron Manning looked into the concerns about the speeders on Kicking Bird Trace and Abbey Church. He monitored traffic and didn't notice anything unusual. It was brought up again how people use that area to speed over to another area because there are no speed humps and there have been several wrecks into parked cars and up into a neighbor's yard, and into their fence. They are very concerned about the children's safety in the neighborhood and feel speed humps are greatly needed.

Neighborhood Liaison: Isom Nivins reported that the Pride Center is hoping to get the HINI vaccine as they had a successful turn out for the regular flu shot program they had. For the Safety Academy Night they had 35 people in attendance. They went over personal property safety and a Safe House which is a mobile unit that shows people how to get out of a house safely in case of a fire. The Pride Center is also conducting a Census Bureau training class. There is a park in Clintonville at Arcadia and High called Portal Park and people are trying to decide what to do with it. OSU has plans for it that differs with what the residents want done with it. The Director of Parks and Recreation has been asked to look into it. The Walgreen's on Kenny and Henderson has signs hooked to the fence and that is not permitted in our code enforcement. Mark Krietemeyer also mentioned that at the Home Depot parking lot there is a Frito Lay trailer there without a truck attached to it. We need to look into why it is been parked there for such a long time. Marilyn asked Isom advice to insure that yard waste pick-up is restored in April. Jennifer received a call from the Columbus Dispatch if we are aware of people dropping leaves in ravines, streets, or other illegal dump sites and to contact them if we are aware of anyone disposing of leaves improperly.

COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Jeanne reported that we are getting people sending in their membership renewals after current members were sent their 2009 Membership Plus cards along with an application for 2010.

OSU Airport: It was reported that the 150 Study's final meeting was October, 27. The entire study is online. The final report will be out in the spring. When the FAA accepts it there will be 180 days before it is final. As for the expansion of the north runway, nothing can start on that until 2012 or 2013. The 150 Study is only a noise study and has nothing to do with expansion.

Student Interns: Rose Marie said the girls have written a letter for Scott's newsletter. Laura, Sydney, and Hannah have agreed to work on the Holiday Lights Party with Marilyn, Jen, and Jeanne.

OLD BUSINESS

Jen said she forwarded a letter that did research about pedestrians in a roundabout aren't safe, especially for visually impaired pedestrians, in an argument against the Linworth/Godown roundabout issue.

She also reported that Councilman Ginther is proposing that all businesses have a permit for outside venues such as outside patios at bars if they are within 125 feet of a residential neighborhood. In the permit process, they would have to have dialog with the neighbors.

The Bethel Road Sledge line is almost finished. The sledge is a bi-product of water treatment plants. Isom was asked if he could research it Bethel Road will be repaved because of all the patching done from the sledge project.

Henderson road is now opened.

Make a Difference Day: Mark reported that the clean-up was October, 25. Mark is sending pictures to the city and is checking on the progress of the NWCA getting "Adopt-a-Highway" sign. The next Clean-up will be in the Spring.

Candidates Night: Marilyn reported that we had a good amount of candidates show up. Judge Dorian thought it was a good event. There were some Centennial Government Students that showed up for it and received extra credit for attending.

Mayor's Neighborhood Leader Dinner: Jen attended the dinner and reported that the Mayor said our goal for the next year is to keep our bond ratings high. Most of the closed rec centers will be re-opened in the next two years. Yard waste will return in April. The City's goal is just to maintain for this year. We have received the nation's highest bond rating. Half of City Center has been demolished and is gone.

501C3 Bond Status: The pro bono attorney has not asked for any filing fees so we do not know the current status.

NEW BUSINESS

Representative Carney is having District Office Hours at Starbucks.

There will be a Holiday Lights Party meeting at Graeters after the Board Meeting for anyone who wishes to be on that committee.

The Wendy's at Bethel and Sawmill will host a night where 20% of the proceeds go to NWCA. We were going to look into a good time for sponsoring that event.

Scott suggested that we send a letter of congratulations to all of the candidates who won their election that attended our Candidates Night.

ADJOURNMENT:

Jennifer Adair adjourned the meeting at 7:57pm.

Next Meeting: December 2, 2009 - Meadow Park Church - 2425 Bethel Road