



**Minutes**  
**Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northwest Civic Association**  
**Meadow Park Church**  
**August 7, 2019**

**Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance**

President Nick Cipiti called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees present: Nick Cipiti, Dennis Damon, Steve Donnell, John Fortkamp, Marilyn Goodman, Cheryl Grossman, John Guroy, Alyson Miles, Ruth Royal, and Roy Wentzel. A quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes**

Marilyn moved to approve the June 5, 2019 regular meeting minutes; Roy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

John G. explained the treasurer's report and current balance. Roy moved to approve the report; Alyson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approve New Members**

Since the previous meeting, new member applications were received from:

For Individual Membership	For Associate Membership
Anthony Colant Don Olson Bill Vogelhuber	

Nick recommended approving the new members. John F. moved to approve the new members; Alyson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Announcement**

Nick discussed some of the history of NWCA and former board members.

**Student Trustee Program – Code of Regulations change**

Nick discussed the student trustee program and the proposed change to remove the student trustees' ability to vote on zoning issues. Members of the association and the board provided arguments for and against this change. Marilyn called the question to end the debate. Nick asked NWCA members to vote by ballot with "Yes" or "No" on the change to the Code of Regulations. Cheryl and Alyson counted the votes.

**Committee Reports**

*Police Department*

No report.

*Fire Department*

No report.

*Neighborhood Liaison*

No report.

*Code Enforcement*

No report.

*Membership and Social*

No report.

*Streets and Safety*

An update on the recent city bus tour of the neighborhood was provided. There are drainage issues on Scottsdale and curb/pavement issues in the neighborhood.

*OSU Airport*

Marilyn provided an update on the upcoming Able Flight Don Scott Trot 5K Walk/Run that will be held at the airport.

*Sheep Farm*

Roy reported that the city closed on the sale of the property on July 15<sup>th</sup>, and the property will be turned into a city park. Fifteen acres will be reserved for Dublin City Schools. Design planning will begin in January 2020.

*Parks, Recreation, and Bikeways*

Roy reported that Olentangy Trail, near Bill McDonald Field and Bethel Rd., will be widened from 8ft. to 12ft.

**Announcements**

Nick reminded members that NWCA T-shirts are on sale for \$15, with the revenues going towards upgrading the NWCA website. Nick also announced the results of the Code of Regulations vote. The change to not allow student trustees to vote on zoning issues was approved 24-14.

**Committee Reports, Cont.**

*Graphics and Zoning*

Marilyn announced that there will be a zoning training held on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

- 1138 Henderson Rd. – Parking variance request
  - Marilyn presented an overview of the variance request and said the drive-thru that had previously been discussed does not require a variance. The request for a parking variance is to remove 12 parking spaces.
  - Jack Reynolds from Smith & Hale and Tom Brigdon from Northstar Realty provided details on the request. They responded to questions from the board and members.
  - Marilyn moved to recommend approval of the parking variance requested from 138 to 126 spaces in Application BZA-19-031 for 1128 West Henderson Road. Roy seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-3.
  - There was a question to confirm the vote count. Alyson confirmed the vote of 6 yes, 3 no.

- 4497 Olentangy River Road – Zimmerman property development
  - Marilyn called up the 4497 Olentangy River Rd. request and provided a list of issues residents in the area had emailed to the board. Those issues include flooding, sewers, traffic, and safety. Marilyn laid out the process for hearing the request: the developer would provide a presentation, then there would be questions from the board, then anyone who signed up to speak would be called up.
  - Mike Shannon, attorney from Underhill & Hodge, provided the presentation. He was there with John Eymann with M+A Architects and Chris Droznek with Civil and Environmental Consultants, Inc. Sam Zimmerman provided a statement from his family, the property owners.
  - Marilyn provided additional information on density, parking, building sizes, and city planning recommendations.
  - Shannon, Eymann, and Droznek responded to questions from trustees.
  - Marilyn then began calling up residents to provide their thoughts on the request. Resident issues included drainage, safety, traffic, green space, parking, density, and traffic (particularly at the Henderson/Olentangy intersection).
  - Marilyn announced that the city zoning commission was scheduled to hear this issue at the 8-8-19, and Nick was organizing opposition to the proposal.
  - Residents continued to provide their comments on the development and raised additional issues, including number of trees, short-term rental use, and safety for the students at the school next door.
  - Nick addressed the issues that had been raised and announced that the request was being tabled for the time being. Marilyn announced that the issue would not be heard at the city zoning commission meeting.

### **Old Business**

No report.

### **New Business**

No report.

### **Adjourn**

John G. moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:19pm; Roy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.