

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by President B. Smyth at 7:06 p.m.

In Attendance: J. Buening, E. Draugelis, S. Hassel, A. Lewis, N. Lewis, T. Roe, S. Mullin, T. Nelson, A. Scarpitti, A. Shikany, B. Smyth, and G. Wollenweber

Advance Notice of Absence: J. Lovelace

1. Guests:

Cincinnati Police Department, District 2—Officer Shawn Tarvin distributed the Hyde Park Neighborhood Report and corresponding crime report for December 17, 2017-January 6, 2018. He reported that crime numbers were down overall during the period. He announced that Captain Aaron Jones (formerly of the west side's District 3) will be District 2's new Captain. Officer Tarvin can be reached at 979-4480.

Oakley Recreation Center—Steve Burns (Eastside Supervisor) reported that a Master Plan stakeholder meeting is scheduled at the LeBlond Rec Center on Wednesday and Thursday January 17 and 18 at the following times: 7:30-9 am, 9:30-11 am, 11:30 am to 1 pm, 2-3:30 pm, and 4-5:30 pm. Candy Olsen, reported that the annual Daddy Daughter Dance will again be held at the 20th Century Theater on Feb 18th. This is the first year that two sessions will be offered 4:30-6 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m.). She also mentioned that a group of seniors who frequent the Center are circulating a petition and writing letters to express their frustration that the improvements at the Oakley center are very delayed and not happening fast enough.

2. A. Recording Secretary's Report – S. Mullin

Minutes from the December 12, 2017 board meeting were sent by email. A clarification/correction was offered by J. Buening regarding the HPSBA Committee Report to reflect that the Business Association would like to formalize an after-hours parking agreement with CPS about parking at Hyde Park School, however such an arrangement is not permitted with the current residential zoning designation. With said clarification, the minutes were approved as submitted.

B. Treasurer's Report - A. Lewis

The December 11, 2017–January 7, 2018 Financial Report was sent by email. Without objection, the Financial Report was accepted as submitted. A. Lewis requested that the Membership Committee coordinate a procedure to send acknowledgment letters to donors and membership subscribers. NSP funds are permitted to be expended for stationery/correspondence cards to send on behalf of HPNC. E. Draugelis and A. Lewis will meet to discuss how to implement the plan.

3. Committee Reports

- **A. Zoning** G. Wollenweber reported the following recent additions:
 - a. 2724 Erie Avenue-- change in building facade (uncertain of plans).
 - b. Summit Country Day School—scoreboard replacement project, has requested to present at February meeting, will meet with Zoning Committee prior to February meeting (and contact affected neighbors).
 - c. 2474 Grandin Road—front yard circle driveway requested; majority of front yard will be paved parking pad. The Zoning Committee is unanimously opposed. Hearing set for 1/10/18.
- **B.** Pedestrian Safety—Todd Roe shared the following updates:

The Vertical Yield sign paddles on Observatory at Michigan and on Erie in the Square were replaced this morning. Two additional signs have been requested. DOTE expects to install the first rapid flashing pedestrian activated lights (in Northside). Hyde Park will get at least two, preferences in order are: Observatory/Michigan, Erie at Clark, and Erie/Saybrook.

Traffic study data from Observatory/Edwards has been collected, however the DOTE employee in charge of the project has left the City; it will be on hold until the project is reassigned. Traffic cameras in the vicinity of the Pig & Whistle are not City cameras, but likely those installed by the CIG traffic study contractor. DOTE has requested that the Ohio Department Of Transportation perform traffic studies of the Edwards Road (State Route 561), Madison, Wasson, Zumstein & Busken intersections and consider the impact of the proposed CIG Development on traffic.

- C. <u>Hyde Park Plan</u>—J. Buening reported that the next meeting is a Steering Committee session on January 10th at HP Community United Methodist Church from 6:30-8 p.m. (to be led by Stacey from City Planning). Next general Plan meeting will be on January 23 (6:30-8 at HPCUM Church).
- D. <u>HPSBA</u>—J. Buening reported that while the Association is very supportive of the Farmer's Market, they are sensitive to the fact that retail efforts seem to be slow during the market hours. They want to be sure that market vendors do not duplicate the goods that the brick and mortar retailers are selling. Two important dates for 2018: Third Saturday in August-Sidewalk Sale and Friday following Thanksgiving-Tree Lighting.

The first set of new banners has been installed around the Square, reading "Hyde Park Square." The background color will be changed with the season

- E. <u>Nominating Committee</u>—S. Mullin reported the Committee's recommendations for new Trustees: Danielle Discepoli and Dave Hapner. G. Wollenweber moved that, "The HPNC accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation of Danielle Discepoli as a Trustee of the HPNC." Second by A. Lewis. All in favor. G. Wollenweber moved that, "The HPNC accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation of Dave Hapner as a Trustee of the HPNC." Second by A. Scarpitti. All in favor. The Board welcomed Danielle and Dave as new Trustees.
- **F.** <u>Finance Committee</u>—N. Lewis reported that the 2018 Budget has been circulated and it includes an expense for insurance (if, as proposed, the City groups coverage for community councils, that figure can be adjusted). A. Scarpitti moved, "*That the HPNC 2018 budget be approved as submitted*." Second by T. Nelson. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Old Business:

A. CIG Development— B. Smyth reported that he spoke with David Bastos of CIG in mid-December about scheduling a public meeting but no specific date has been set. D. Discepoli reported that a rumor is circulating that CIG plans to submit a plan in January. Once a plan is submitted, City Planning must hold a public meeting to share and discuss the plan as submitted. D. Discepoli said the street captains are organizing and circulating handouts to neighbors and working on a power point presentation to share at the public meeting. They have made a concerted effort to have a unified response to CIG's plan and to lay the groundwork to keep things civil to facilitate future negotiations should the plan go forward in some form.

The Board members discussed the latest proposed development and its implications without reaching a decision.

5. **New Business**

A. HPNC Website Development--E. Draugelis reported that she has been in contact with Steve Doehler (UC DAAP professor) about a website redesign/logo refresh for HPNC. The proposed plan would cost between \$250-500. The new design would have the capacity to accept membership contributions/donations and blast emails to members. A. Lewis moved, "That the HPNC spend up to \$500 on website design." Second by J. Buening. One abstention, thirteen in favor. Motion carried.

Adjourn: Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Submitted by: Sybil Mullin, Recording Secretary

Revised: Carl Uebelacker