

Northside Community Council Membership Meeting,
October 19, 2009
Notes by Gwen Marshall
Approved at NCC November 9, 2009 Board Meeting

1. Introductions - led by Tim Jeckering
2. Mission Statement / Membership Info by Melody Smith Jones
175 members. We now have a Facebook Page and it is active. Membership renewals will be coming in the mail soon. Everyone's membership needs to be renewed at the start of the year. The January meeting is also the election of new officers meeting. Melody will be bringing a list of persons who are eligible to run to the November meeting. To run, you just need to attend three (3) NCC meetings.

3. Fire & Police Report
Dave Henry - died this past Friday. He had been very active in Citizens on Patrol and CPOP.
Fire Report - Joe Gunnewick is the new captain for this district. Currently 90% of their runs are medical. They expect more runs this winter. This is fire prevention month, change your batteries in your smoke alarms. There are no free smoke alarms to give away at this time. They are concerned about budget related issues and he plans to keep us up-to-date on this as well.

Police - Sg. Volkerding - (Katrina is home ill.) There was a homicide in Northside this past month, the victim was known to the attacker. Orlando's and Reflections did lose their liquor license. Reflections is able to appeal this, the police will continue to oppose this renewal. There will be a training program for landlords of rental property - October 29th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm - to help them deal with problem tenants who have been the cause of multiple police runs. You can register on line www.cincinnati-oh.gov regarding the "Chronic Nuisance Ordinance" or call 352-3537. Also there is consideration being given to the idea of making some changes to this ordinance, related to the definition and how to apply this ordinance.

4. McKie Center - Steve Gerth - They have an Artist in Residence at McKee for 2 weeks, he has been working with the teens. They will

be working on a "sculpture" for the garden. Parent and Child open - gym will be from 10 to noon, Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Tues, Wed, Thursday - 5:00 - 6:00 open gym for teens.

5. Treasurer's Report as of 10/8/09 - read by Tim Jeckering from Chuck Brown.

Children's Park Account - \$4,433.99

House/Porch Tour Account - \$7,897.08

4th of July Parade Account - \$1,595.53

Certificate of Deposit - \$5,785.25

General Funds Account - \$12,517.63

6. Committee Reports

Education Committee Report - Alex Kuhns is the new Education Chair, if you want to join, contact him at 884-1860.

Northside Safety & Livability Committee Report - They are looking at having quarterly new neighbor block parties. There have been concerns expressed about the time of day when this committee meets: 11:00 am on the 3rd Thursday at the MRDD office on Dane.

Northside Skate Park Committee - no report

Porch Tour Report - was a week ago Saturday, started at Children's Park on Chase.

Soccer Team had its first official victory. They play on the weekends at a park near Lunken.

7. Announcements

Announcements from the Floor

Claire Darly - reported on Northside Greenspace's walk at Badgeley Run Park on November 7th from 10-11:00 am, meeting at Washburn Street entrance.

The CAIN fundraiser - Arty Party earned over \$6,000.

The Secret Angel program is looking for donors, contact CAIN. Drop offs are December 4th or 5th.

Make a Difference Day - CAIN will be “making bags” from 9:00 to noon at their location.

The books “How We See It” are available for \$10.00

Make a Difference Day, 9:00 am at KcKie for meeting - Saturday, October 24th. Jonathan Ingram - ingramjri@gmail.com is coordinating.

Diane Stroud - Monday, Nov 2nd 4:30 to 6:00 honk and wave near Hoffner Park and Blue Ash road. The library has some free Tom Sawyer books for giving away, as the result of a grant.

Stefanie Sunderland - Make a Difference Day work at DAR park on Knowlton at Mad Anthony, swill be planting shrubs and picking up litter. The work will be from 9:00 and noon.

Peggy Shannon - they are looking for a winter location for the Northside Farmer’s Market, contact her at peggyshannon@mac.com

Announcements from the Mailbox on back of this agenda

- 1). The City of Cincinnati Planning Department is starting public input meetings for Plan Cincinnati, a Comprehensive Plan for the Future. The last meeting is scheduled from 6pm until 8pm at: Madisonville Recreation Center, October 22nd.
- 2). November 2nd between 12:30 and 4:30pm, there is going to be planning and discussion of "Reducing Prematurity, A Community Effort" at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center.
- 3). Cincinnati Human Relations Commission is hosting a "Human Relations Summit: Hidden Treasures" to recognize the 25 Hamilton County Communities that have been labeled stable, integrated communities on Saturday, November 21st at Forest Park Senior Center, 11555 Winton Road. (Northside is one of the 25 neighborhoods)
8. Duke Energy Presentation by Brain Weisker - his topic is related to where Duke is going titled, “A Plan for a Sustainable Energy Future.” They will be advocating for efficiency. They are looking at putting a communication meter on houses so that Duke

can communicate directly with its customers. The first step will be the digital meter reading so they won't have to send people to do the reading. Power Point presentation given.

9. Lead Clean-up Presentation. by Aisha Tzillah from the City of Cincinnati - two grants have been received by the City of Cincinnati for lead based clean up of houses for low income families. Paint that is not chipped or peeling is not a hazard. They have certified workers to do the cleanup.

10. November Election Issues presentation
Limited to (2) minutes per issue (one for & one against)
Issues addressed: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 & 9.

11. Northside Business Association by Bruce Demske
A grant proposal is being submitted for \$175,000 to purchase and renovate 1610 and 1612 Hoffner to turn it into a store front &/or artist enclave. This is across the street from the BP. Motion by Robin Henderson "to write a letter of support for this NBA proposal." vote was 27 for, none opposed and 1 abstain.

12. Chase School Principal by Lynsa Davie - not able to attend.

13. Big Shots Social Club by Erica Dean - had to leave earlier

14. I-75 Land-Use Plan Study by Cameron Ross of the Cincinnati City Planning Department. They are starting a land use proposal around Northside as one of 4 focus areas. Their focus is transportation and economic development in the I-75 corridor. Their first public meeting is November 12th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Advance Technology Learning Center in the 2nd floor Auditorium at Cincinnati State. The web site is www.revivel-75Cincinnati.com Tim Jeckering is the Northside representative to the steering committee.

Other information from the printed agenda:

NCC Board is looking for people who would like to organize and or help on getting a new design for a Northside Tee-Shirt that promotes the community & Northside Community Council. Designs are due 11/9/09 so we can vote on them November 16th. If you are interested, contact Tim Jeckering.

meeting adjourned 8:35