

CORRYVILLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

November 14, 2006

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

Approval of Minutes:

The October minutes were approved with a correction noting the CUF acronym stands for Clifton Heights/University Heights/Fairview.

Police & Safety Report:

UC's Officer Dave Henson alerted attendees to a series of recent robberies committed along Clifton between MLK and Dixmyth. UC has a 'night walk' service, any UC student living within a 3 block radius of campus can call 558-WALK (9255) to get a certified 2-person escort ride from home to campus or the reverse, between 7 pm to 1 am. Fall quarter ends December 9th, winter quarter begins Jan 3rd.

Treasurer's & Neighborhood Support Program (NSP) Report:

Dan Plofchan reported he is not receiving monthly statements from 5th/3rd.

It was agreed to send a December mailing with Holiday greetings. A discussion about the timing of the mailings followed. Though one person received the meeting reminder 2 days after the meeting, most received them 2 weeks prior to the meeting. A desire to have the reminders arrive closer to the meeting was expressed. It was explained the problem is partially due to the uncertain timing of a bulk mailing, but also the result of announcing the Think Tank (TT) meetings which are scheduled 8 days prior to the CCC meetings. The last several announced TT meetings have not been held, and in an attempt to boost CCC attendance with more timely meeting reminders, it was agreed to discontinue the Think Tank announcement on the postcards for the present. At years end, there will be an estimated \$400 left in the NSP Communication project. A motion was made and approved to purchase next years bulk rate permit (@ \$150), then transfer the remaining money to the NSP funded Teen Program.

Short Vine Dev Corp (SVDC) Report: no report given

Corryville Community Dev Corp (CCDC) Report:

Dan Plofchan reported the group is wrapping up development of the initial phases of Stetson Square. Buckingham will manage the rental units; Great Traditions will handle the 'for sale' units. The development at MLK and Highland will open mid December, UC will lease the office space and discussions are underway for a coffee shop and restaurant in the retail space. Development of the twenty-two units at Gerard and Stetson will begin soon. Response to all units has been strong, but interestingly though promoted for their 'walk to work' appeal, only 8 tenants report they are.

A new attendee who recently moved to Corryville commented he and his wife looked at the Stetson Square units, but preferred the historic home they chose. Several other attendees agreed they preferred their older homes and want to protect them.

A decision on the merger of three non-profit Dev Corps (SVDC, CCDC, and UCCURC) has been made. Due to tax issues and contracts involved the merger is not possible, though pooling resources for operational aspects is permitted. With this decision made, the community needs to elect 1 SVDC Trustee and 3 CCDC Trustees to represent the community's interests for 3 year terms. CCDC board member Ron Kull (UC's rep) has retired and John Andreyko (UVA's rep) will resign at the end of the month. SVDC board member Dale McGirr (UC's rep) has retired.

Lou Crawford questioned why the new Stetson Village sign doesn't include the 'in historic Corryville' tag. Dan Plofchan wasn't aware of the situation and said he would check.

Uptown Crossings Community Urban Re-Dev Corp (UCCURC) Report: no report given

University Village Association (UVA) Report: no report given

Corryville Family Resource Center (CFRC) Report: no report given

Corryville Recreation Center (CRC) Report:

Margaret Ahlrichs invited participation in the new Polynesian dance class. She reported the 3rd Annual Halloween Parade was a tremendous success, well supported by the Short Vine business community. The Rec Center will be closed from December 22nd until January 2nd. Margaret expressed concern about the possible closing of the Cumminsville Rec Center swimming pool as it is also used by Corryville youth. She also expressed sadness at the closing of Shields school.

Several attendees questioned future plans for the building. It was noted 5th/3rd bought it, and some attendees recollected hearing the school was to be demolished. Margaret remembered seeing drawings of a new development for the site.

Old Business

The Corryville Community Council (CCC) previously postponed the nomination and election of their Trustees to the SVDC (Short Vine Dev Corp) and the CCDC (Corryville Community Dev Corp) boards until a decision on the merger of those Dev Corps was made. As that merger is not possible, the community needs to elect 1 SVDC Trustee and 3 CCDC Trustees to represent the community's interests for 3 year terms. Jeff Jacobs is the community's current SVDC Trustee. Clyde Nowlin, Dan Plofchan, and Roger Wells are the community's current CCDC Trustees.

In response to a question about the goals and objectives of the SVDC, it was explained the SVDC is responsible for revitalizing the business district. The SVDC is also the group in charge of implementing the vision presented in the Corryville University Village Urban Renewal Plan approved by City Council on 3-23-05. Kyle Ciminillo indicated interest in the SVDC position and his nomination was made and approved. Jeff Jacobs was nominated and approved in absentia.

Clyde Nowlin and Dan Plofchan indicated interest in continuing their CCDC positions and their nominations were made and approved. Roger Wells had indicated interest in continuing his CCDC position and his nomination was made and approved in absentia.

Disappointment was expressed that despite official community requests neither Jeff Jacobs nor Roger Wells regularly attend the CCC meetings.

The election of Trustees is scheduled for the January 9th, 2007 meeting. Write-in candidates are permitted. It was agreed to include an announcement of the election in the December mailing.

Kay Weaks said she is having difficulty with the registered voter address list she was given at the last meeting. Troy Brumley's offer of computer assistance was accepted.

Additionally

Chuck Darling, Construction Manager for the CCDC, arrived late explaining his Google search to the Corryville website indicated the meeting began at 7:00. No one was aware Corryville had a website. He reported Buckingham has rented 70-75% of the Stetson Square units; the 'for sale' units will be built and sold by Great Traditions. The development at MLK and Highland will be complete by mid January, UC will lease 60-63,000 sq ft of office space and negotiations for 12,000 sq ft of retail space are underway. He explained the current Stetson Square sign is temporary; the permanent sign will include the 'in historic Corryville' tag.

CPD Officers Lisa Davis and Christine Barry also arrived late thinking the meeting began at 7:00. They presented the October crime stats which showed a decrease in Part I and II crimes.

Meeting adjourned at 7: 05 pm.

As recorded by Kay Weaks