

## **CORRYVILLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**September 8, 2009**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

Mike Ealy announced with great sadness that Clyde Nowlin suffered an aneurism over the weekend and was in intensive care at University Hospital. The group's concern and wishes for a full recovery were expressed.

**Approval of Minutes:** The August minutes were approved as written.

### ***Police & Safety Report:***

- CPD Officer Wiley Ross distributed crime stats. He noted the vendor formerly in front of Staggerlee's has complied with the new Short Vine Vending District rules and moved in front of Norton's. He reported responding to a 'shots fired' call at Bellevue and Fosdick on Sept 2, 11am. Parties to an ongoing feud were identified, and though uncooperative, each implicated the other as the perpetrator. No weapons were found, and CPD is awaiting results of gun residue tests. Officer Ross also noted the UVA has hired a police detail for Thur evenings from 8pm-3am, and will hire a Fri night detail shortly.

### ***Vine St Com Urban Re-Dev Corp (VCURC) & University Village Bus Assoc (UVA) Report:***

- Jacquie Angiulli distributed two renderings as examples of improvements that VCURC proposed in their NBD grant submissions. She explained the \$150,000 request for "Parking Lot Enhancements" includes addition of electronic pay stations, fencing, landscaping, as well as infrastructure improvements. She noted the focus would primarily be on the lot behind Bogart's and the one behind LaRosa's, and secondarily on the lot behind the eastern 2600 block of Vine. She explained the \$30,000 request for "Gateway Enhancements" proposes new signage at the north and south ends of Short Vine, improvements to the Arch lighting, and general sprucing.

- As previously explained the grant proposals, due in July, were submitted with the CCC Board's letter of support, indicating confidence that membership would concur. A motion to approve submission of VCURC's NBD grant proposals passed unanimously with 13 in favor.

- Jacquie introduced Marty Rittenhouse, Director of the Community Relations sector for UC's Student Government. Marty outlined ideas for a student volunteer initiative aimed at bringing business back to the three neighborhood districts adjacent to UC's campus. Their plan proposes staging a series of Cleanup events, publication and distribution of local business coupon books, and a Street Fair. Amy Parks suggested trying to coordinate the spring event with the "Great American Cleanup". Marty encouraged additional community suggestions for their efforts.

### ***Treasurer's Report/ Neighborhood Support Program (NSP) Report:***

- Amy Parks reported a balance of \$4,364.87 (with 75.50 in outstanding checks), and after expected NSP and AIG reimbursements a balance of \$5,225.87

- Amy and Byran Servizzi announced plans are being made for an NSP funded University/Burnet Gateway rededication on Oct 10, and a neighborhood carnival at the Rec Center. The teens will distribute fliers for these events, and they are also planning a flier distribution designed to deter car break-ins.

### ***Cincinnati Empowerment Corporation (CEC) Report:***

- Amy Parks reported her understanding was the "Youth and Safety" grant contract had been sent to Clyde, and that she was waiting for a CEC response to her request for clarification of the expenditure procedure.

***Corryville Community Dev Corp (CCDC) Report:*** Dan Luther reported no pressing news.

***Uptown Crossings Community Urban Re-Dev Corp (UCCURC) Report:*** No report given.

***Corryville Recreation Center (CRC) Report:***

Bryan Servizzi distributed the new fall program flier. He encouraged community assistance/participation in the neighborhood Carnival which will celebrate the Rec Center's 10th anniversary. He said the teen recycling program has begun, and noted the new bins in the Rec Center foyer.

***New Business:***

Michael DeFrancesco encouraged support for the MRDD levy in the Nov election. He explained that in response to current economic difficulties County Commissioners have adjusted amounts requested for the three County levies to reflect no overall increase, and this renewal is critical for support of basic services.

***Old Business:***

- As a follow up to the Cincinnatians for Progress presentation given by Kevin Flynn at the August 11 CCC meeting, a motion for the CCC to endorse **opposition** to the Passenger Rail Charter Amendment ballot initiative passed unanimously with 13 in favor.
- Tom Rotte questioned the procedure necessary to prevent recurrent instances of cars parked on the front lawn at 2620 Eden Ave. City Inspector Dave Lockhorn advised it is a violation of City code, and following discussion a motion "to identify the property owner, advise them of the situation, and respectfully request their pro-active cooperation in preventing further occurrences" passed unanimously with 13 in favor. Jack Kaeser advised sending the letter by certified mail, with a request for delivery confirmation.
- Tom Rotte also questioned the procedure necessary to get the vacant lot at 2802 Euclid cleaned up, noting it is terribly littered. Bryan Servizzi offered to have the teens clean it through their NSP funded program.

***Announcements:***

- The CCC's membership drive is underway, and any dues paid from Sept 1, 2009 carry forward through Dec 31, 2010. A membership application will be attached to the meeting reminders.
- A reminder about the Public Forum to discuss the Passenger Rail Charter Amendment ballot initiative beginning at 7pm this evening (Sept 8) at the MERC Center was made.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

As recorded by Kay Weaks

Please encourage your Corryville neighbors and associates to visit the communities' [www.Corryville.org](http://www.Corryville.org) website, and sign up for the CCC's [CorryvilleCC@hotmail.com](mailto:CorryvilleCC@hotmail.com) electronic mailing list.