

Westwood Civic Association

April 19, 2016 General Meeting Minutes
Submitted by April Stephens, Recording Secretary

Present:

Mary Jenkins, Shawnteé Stallworth-Schramm, Karen Strasser, Joe Corso, Emily Miller-Reynolds, Henry Fondorf, Thomas Sauter, Anne Murphy, April Stephens, Trinetta Zawadzki, Sara Overstake, Larry Eiser, Steve Beckman

Excused:

Joel Kimmet, Stephen Schramm, Steve Beckman

President Mary Jenkins called meeting to order,

Motion by Emily Miller-Reynolds, second by Larry Eiser to approve the agenda, the agenda was approved. Mary request permission to revise the agenda with the addition of Matthew Wahlert, Republican Candidate for the Ohio State Representative 32nd District. Motion passes unanimously.

Guest Speaker- Matthew Wahlert Campaigning Ohio State Representative 32nd District introduces himself- personal and political.

Cincinnati Fire Dept. Engine 35 Report- Lt. Steve Myers stats on runs (382), CFD will be servicing hydrants, and states the Fire Chief recommends checking smoke detector batteries.

Police Report-Officer Rich Minella, Neighborhood Liaison Officer for Westwood and East Westwood Provided crime stats about drugs and trafficking resulting in the most arrest, Officer Minella fielded question from those in attendance. He also discussed upcoming events.

Town Hall-Tim Heyl CRC West Regional Supervisor- Improvements to Ryan Park for the Marvin Lewis Hometown Huddle Project. This includes but limited to building a Challenge Course promoting a healthier lifestyle.

Andrea McCarthy Cincinnati Recreation Commission point of control @Town Hall-rehab Gamble Montessori basketball court also revitalizing community garden CRC will maintain the property.

Dan Jones City Structural Engineer with CRC – He confirms that work on Town Hall has solved the water problems/foundation at Town Hall.

Community United for Action-Samantha Searls-Non-profit organization, prioritizing on vacant buildings in the city. Ed Cunningham building inspector is currently working with the community of Westwood top 25 dilapidated buildings.

SKY BOXX Report- Shawnteé Stallworth-Schramm –SKY BOXX is a drinking establishment and is currently working on obtaining an application for a dance hall permit and food service license for the establishment. No previous police runs.

Motion by Emily Miller-Reynolds, second by Henry Frondorf to support SKY BOXX a dance hall application. Motion passes unanimously.

Infrastructure & Beautification Report

- a. **Emily Miller-Reynolds** all **Adopt-A-Pots** have been adopted.
- b. **Karen Strasser-Churches** has added **Adopt-A-Pot** information in their bulletin, also **Gamble Montessori** students put in 15 hours of grounds work.
- c. **Joe Corso**- no tentative date set for hanging the American Flags in the community
- d. **Mary Jenkins**-Community- Gardens-Plots available
- e. **Mary Jenkins**-Litter clean up, April 30th Bracken Woods and Gobel Avenue, need volunteers.

WCA committees and priorities discussion-connecting with neighbors & communities, membership, litter, school engagement, public safety, Block Watch, road construction/paving, youth.

Public Safety-

- a. **United to Stop the Violence** each group will focus on making recommendation to the organization.
- b. **Invitation for Block Watches, Good Guy Loitering, committee**
- c. Block Watch membership has doubled

Other Business

- Department of Transportation several proposal on road repair, elevation of traffic congestion
- Transportation Committee- Westwood express it strong support for the issues concerning the Western Hills viaduct. Next meeting with the Transportation committee is scheduled for April 26 1pm at City Hall.
- Open registration for summer programs at CRC at Town Hall.
- POP goes Westwood –Liquor Licenses.

Motion by Shawnteé Stallworth-Schramm, second by Thomas Sauter, to support POP! Goes Westwood liquor license. Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned by Mary Jenkins