

Westwood Civic Association
October 17, 2017 General Membership Meeting Minutes
Submitted by Anne Murphy

Present: Shawntee Stallworth Schramm, John Bowen, Stephen Schramm, Larry Eiser, April Stephens, Anne Murphy, Henry Frondorf, Emily Miller Reynolds, Joe Corso, Trinette Zawadzki,

Absent - Thomas Sauter, Steve Beckman, Sara Overstake, Geneva Ingram

1. Call to order by Shawntee Stallworth-Schramm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Agenda

Approved as written. No changes

4. Approval of Sept. special meeting minutes & Oct. steering meeting minutes.

Motion to approve. Approved. Abstentions from Emily and Henry.

5. Police – Officer Minella. Crime trending down in past 28 days in every category. Community Training for Opioid Training 10/26 at Shiloh United Methodist Church in Price Hill. Free to public. Car stolen on Fyfe Ave. yesterday. Helicopter was in neighborhood. Suspects identified but not apprehended. Report of juvenile raped on Baltimore near President Ave. in woods. Suspect was arrested. D3 is hosting stuff the cruiser event at Petsmart behind D3 to collect tax deductible donations for the SPCA. 10-2 on Sat. 10/21

Resident asked police to look into data to see if there were traffic/pedestrian issues at Harrison & Bracken Woods-he is concerned about pedestrians and lack of crosswalk.

Captain Jones-Montana Ave. is one of the most accident prone roads in Cincinnati. CPD has increased presence/visibility, increased ticketing.

Higher friction road surface has been installed on downhill section of Montana to reduce automobiles running off the road. Traffic and engineering is also looking at improving the merge lane on the uphill portion of Montana coming up from I-74 to have merge occur before curve rather than in the curve. The city is also installing more pole-mounted speed monitor intermittently. 23% reduction in traffic accidents in the Montana high-risk areas since June 1-Sept 30 compared to 2016 and 2015 respectively. The city is also looking to install brighter and better marked roadways and intersections.

Send addresses/areas of traffic or pedestrian concern to Rich Minella.

D3 heroin quick response team continues reaching out to individuals who had recently overdosed. City received a grant to expand program. D3 has been able to widen their program to all of district 3 to contact all addicts to put them in contact with addiction treatment resources.

6. Fire-Lt. Patrick Seyfried. Engine Company held open house over the past weekend for fire prevention month with good turnout. Reminds us to have furnace and chimneys inspected before winter use.

Run totals: 220 total: 192 ems; 20 fire; 8 fire
Narcan administered 7 times by engine and 10 times by medic
Noticeable decrease in narcan runs since the fentanyl bust.

Reiterated Capt. Jone's report about expansion of rapid response team thanks to city grant. Able to expand reach from 3 zip codes to all of district 3.

Fire dept. supports opening of methadone clinic in Westwood based on discussions with Talbert house to provide addiction treatment resources closer to home (rather than Oakley where current clinic is located)

7. CRC - Jincey / Emily - Youth Council announcements

Town Hall grounds redevelopment will go to bid in Nov. with expected construction start date in March and completion in June/July 2018.

Westwood Town Hall bells have been fixed with new amplifier and back in action!

Zumba offered on multiple days including Saturday.

Tae Kwon Do offered for all ages and abilities (m/w evenings)

Spinning at the Brewery-12 bikes; full class. Will do again on Nov. 19 Sunday at 11 am.

Youth Council-8 youth from council participated in city walk to fight suicide at Sawyer Point past Sunday. CRC also took teens from teen night to see Blink downtown.

Youth Council-next meeting 10/20 ages 12-18;

Teen night-field trip to haunted delhi swim club coming up.

Reggie has been working with youth to develop the teen's leadership skills and council structure.

Youth council teens will go to Scallywag tag with money they have raised on 11/17.

CRC looking for volunteer dance instructor (any kind) for 1.5 hours/week

CRC welcomes food donations for Friday night teens.

8. Derek Bauman-Candidate for Cincinnati City Council presenting his platform in advance of November election

9. Jack Jose – Support for Issue 24 (School levy)- not in attendance

10. Renee Hevia - School Board Candidate- not in attendance.

11. NSP - Categories for funds and Vote of Westwood Residents.

Discussion of NSP categories for 2018 proposed funding. All residents get to vote on how the funds are used. Signatures recorded of all in attendance who are Westwood residents.

Review of last year's spending and proposed expenditures for 2018.

2018 NSP budget is \$6,800 (reduction from 2017 \$7,700).

Regarding neighborhood improvement-pole mounted brackets are under consideration. Brackets cost about \$200/each, without flags. Would be possible to purchase a few sets to install first in the heart of the Westwood business district. Flags/banners would have neighborhood branding logo. Could also have flag banners to swap for certain holidays or alternate American flag banners with neighborhood banners.

Joe Corso proposes funds to replace some of the damaged concrete planters. Concrete pots are \$500/each. Plastic pots could be considered as a cheaper option.

Lindsay would like to see repeat funding for the WUTSTV Mother's Day March and brunch event. WCA provided \$500 last year. She is also expects donations from other organizations to provide additional funding as last year.

Stephen Schramm suggests allocating at least \$200 to WUTSTV Mother's Day March.

Vote on proposed NSP budget introduced by Shawntee. 17 vote in favor. 1 abstention. Proposed 2018 NSP budget passes. John Bowen will submit to the city. See table below.

Table 1 2018 NSP Budget Proposal

Project 1	Newsletter	\$3,000
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Project 2	Neighborhood Improvement: Flower Pots (\$500); pole-mounted banners/brackets for business district (\$1500)	\$1,500
Project 3	WUTSTV Mother's Day March (supplies)	\$200
Project 4	Westwood Community Gardens: gazebo donation	\$500
Project 5	Westwood Art Show	\$300
Project 6	Deck the Hall	\$200
Project 7	Multi-cultural Fest	\$400
Project 8	Youth Council	\$200
Project 9	WCA Insurance	\$500
TOTAL		\$6,800

12. WUTSTV - Organizing team meeting October 24th, @ 7pm at District 3 Community Room.

Following on the recent community meeting and recap in September 2017, three areas were identified for focus on ongoing WUTSTV initiatives:

- Boudinot & Harrison
- Glenmore & Montana
- Harrison & McHenry (to include Bracken Woods)

The purpose of the upcoming meeting is to form action teams and strategize about targeted activities for those areas.

13. Liz Kissel- 150th Westwood-0-poly!

During October steering meeting, WCA voted to support Westwood Historical Society's Westwood-o-poly game by sponsoring a space.

Sponsorships are intended to cover printing of game. Game will then be sold in the community. WHS is considering how to use revenue from game to support a lasting monument or marker, or some other permanent tribute to Westwood's history.

22 street blocks and other spaces are for sale. Community groups are asked to sponsor a corner. Harrison, Werk, Geyer Woods, Urwiler, Lischer, Ratterman, and Pickberry Avenues have already been sponsored. The cost to sponsor a space ranges from \$200-\$350. General sponsorship (for individual recognition as a supporter) is also available. WHS would like to finalize sponsorships by early Dec. Will collect money on commitments once at least half the board has been committed.

WCA will have a corner space, e.g. the Go! Space.

14. Other business –

Nominating Committees to be formed at November general meeting for April board elections. One will be appointed by Shawntee. The other committee will be formed by WCA members.

Kellie Prather-city council candidate presenting on her platform

Emily-encourages adopt-a-pot sponsors to clean up and decorate their pots for winter.

Henry Frondorf-council candidate will host election night party at Westside Brewery at 7:30

15. Motion to adjourn by Emily, seconded by Stephen.

Announcements