

Minutes of RCC General Meeting on November 12, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Michael Watson after a social period. Michael thanked Roy Jones for putting up signs. Lots of people are here tonight because of those signs. Michael thanked everyone for coming and explained we have a full agenda. He told us that we have 2 months of minutes to review and for everyone to please read them. Michael explained that everyone needs to sign in since we will be taking a vote for the 2010 NBD Budget.

Valerie Wright questioned what was meant by Senior citizen building being denied because of zoning in the October 8, 2009 minutes. Michael explained since they had refused to put a business on the first floor so the zoning was denied. The name in the second paragraph from the end should be Shelia Holmes Howard not Shirley Holmes Howard. Vito Folchi moved to approve the minutes from September 10, 2009 & October 8, 2009 and Barb Kley seconded. The vote was FOR: 22, AGAINST: 0, ABSTAIN: 0.

Michael Watson spoke about Ms. Ida Martin and wanted us to first take a moment of silence for her. Michael called her death a murder and stated he used that term for it and not to be taken lightly. He stated that every member in the community is important. Michael thanked Captain Isaacs for the prayer vigil.

Michael noted that yesterday was Veterans Day and did we have any Veterans present? He asked them to stand up. Michael thanked them and commended them. He said he lost many friends and that his wife served in the Gulf War.

Mr. Sample thanked us for our support for the library levy. It was very generous of Roselawn. He explained that we had 90% in the 45237 zip code vote for the levy. He noted that the check cashing place at the bottom of the hill by the Head Start school and Library was trying to get liquor license. He stated that they will be fighting that with Community Councils help.

Michael Watson asked for former members or new attendees' to be recognized. Robert Wilson stated that Regina invited him. He owns rental property at Glen Orchard & 7505 Greenland and Section Road. If something is going on on my property let me know. I can be reached at 288-8199. Sandra Jones is a new attendee who has an interest in our community. Sandra stated that Karen Henry invited her. She told us how she works with individuals with disabilities. Darius Bobo owner of Phat Daddy's at 7655 Reading road has been in the community for 5 years. He would like to be a part of the community. Brian Lee, Vice President of Westwood Civic talked about Good Guy Loitering Program. He said Dr. Wenstrup asked him to come. Brian's number is 379-9208. He stated he was here to help Roselawn set up a program if Council desired. This will help stop loitering & prostitution Good neighbors get there before bad guys get there.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Police Department Report was presented by Officer Jodie Edwards, Captain Isaacs, and Officer Ross and Tom Beirdon. Jodie explained that Robert Wilson can sign a right of entry letter which lets the police come on the property at any time. Robert asked is it true he can give a key for the common areas? She told him yes. Jodie informed us that Ashland Station at Northbrook has signed a right of entry since it is under new ownership. With the holiday season approaching we will have an increase of robberies. Jodie warns us that while out shopping to be aware of who is around at all times. Jodie stated in the handout are tips about being a good witness and what to look for. We need to know how to separate a person out so that they are identifiable to catch.

Jenee Baker inquired why on the Citizen Observer web site there was nothing listed about the shooting at Vito's. Jodie told her that she could look on www.crimereports.com. Jenee wanted to know how information was put into the system and if everything goes in so that we can know what is going on in the community. Jodie stated that homicide, robbery, and each department puts there information in then she tries to fill in the gaps.

John Newell complained about the property at 7139 Eastlawn off Losantiville where people are parking on the grass. He wanted to know if that area could get more police presence. Anne asked questions about posting of handbills or entertainment flyers on traffic boxes, telephone polls, etc... that by Section 911-17 that is not allowed. Tom Beirdon stated that they can take them down when they go up. His office is trying to prosecute business owners when flyers are found.

Vito explained about the shooting at his business that the man had been grazed. He was on another property and he fell into Vito's property so it was listed as 7750 Reading Road. He went to the hospital and was released that night then went clubbing some more with the bandage around his head.

Business Association & Membership- Roy Jones thanked businesses in Roselawn that every time we need something they step up. Thanks to Vito's for the feast tonight. Roy wanted us to know that there is a TV Station in Roselawn on 7737 Rheinhold Drive owned by Elliot Block and called WKRP, 681-3800. Roy informed us that Old Chili Time/Rite Aide location is going up for auction. The opening bid will be \$50,000 on December 9, 2009 at the property at 12:30 pm.

Membership- Roy tells us our goal for dues was \$1500 and we are over \$1800 right now. Next year we are looking to getting \$3000. We will have volunteers with kids going to doors, membership cards will be printed. We will probably selling t-shirts with the RCC logo on them.

Michael commended the planting of 13 trees with the ROCURC program on this property.

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Law & Safety- Grace Wilson stated that about 1:30 am. an alarm went off at her place and it took police 12-14 minutes for them to come. Officer Edwards has come to the Essex House to provide safety tips. Meeting will be held in November to find out what they want to know and the Summit Apts.. The maintenance men have cut the bushes back where Ida Martin was living and have put a lock on the front gate. The fence has been repaired. The Essex House was provided with information about pepper spray. Citizens on Patrol will have training on the 12 & 13. Betty Parker told us there will be a combine meeting with all the streets for block watch on December 5, 2009 at Roselawn Lutheran Church at 11 am.

Neighborhood Clean Up- Betty Watson told us that every 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month at 8:30 am. they meet at the corner of Brookcrest and Section Road across from the Post Office.

Safe & Clean- Hogarth Merrick spoke about the Make A Difference Day. He wanted to thank everyone for coming out.

NSP- Neighborhood Support Budget- Tricia Davis said that \$7000 is what we usually get. She provided proposed budget sheets for 2010. Council will vote on these next month.

NBD- Neighborhood Business District- Barbara Kley presented the proposed budget for 2010 as follows:

#1 Police Substation - \$990, #2 Communication - \$490; #3 Training, meetings - \$780; #4 Public Space - \$760; #5 Beautification - \$530; #6 Special Events - \$3450. Tricia Davis moved for approval, seconded by Bettye Watson. For: 25, Opposed: 0, abstain: 1.

Cliff Fullman, founding member of Community Council was introduced. He gave an update on the Shriners Hospital. We are budgeted \$800,000,000 a year for the services we offer; we do not charge for them. The services we offer are burn services in Cincinnati and orthopedic services in Lexington.. If a child needs services for these things they can call 513-751-3800. We are just starting to deal with cleft lip surgeries. Shriners Hospital was started in the 1940's dealing with children with polio and was called Shriners Cripple Hospital. In 1950 it took in burned children who had a 50% burns over their bodies and they had a 50% chance of surviving.. The Shriners' Circus is coming to town at the Cincinnati Gardens following Thanksgiving. For tickets call Cliff Fullman at 751-3800 or 751-4717.

Motion to Adjourn – moved by Jenee Baker and second by Tricia Davis, approved.