**SALEM CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING**

**July 19, 2022**

**MINUTES**

Motion made to accept June 2022 minutes. Passed

Columbus Police Liaison - Officer Yandrich (not present)

Contact: 614-645-1418

Dyandrich@columbuspolice.org

Residents reported:

* Issue on Strimple - SCA FB Page - police seen on foot pursuit chasing man who was later arrested at Chaseland Park; involved in a domestic violence and is currently in jail.
* On North Meadows - possible mistaken address after two men in a white mustang; rang bell, knocked on door, and walked around the house. When approached by the resident, they explained they were given the address on a dating website. A neighbor advised the resident woman to call the police non-emergency. Another resident explained that North Meadows is often mixed up with Broadmeadows.

Treasurer's Report - Allison Hoyt (get from email)

Income:

Budget $ 6,340

Actual as of 7/7/22 - $3,667

Expenses:

Budget $6,340

Actual $1,261

Net Income $2,405.70

Checking account balance as of 7/7/22: $6459.64

Budget obligations: $5,078.70

Annual cash reserve: $2335

Cash available as of 7/7/2022: -$964.06

Motion to accept treasurer's report - passed.

NCC Update - Pat Hammel

* The next 161 Task Force Cleanup Day will be Saturday, August 13th. Meet at 9:00am behind the Jiffy Lube on 161. Bags, gloves, safety vest and pick-up tools are provided.
* The hearing for the City Attorney’s objection to the renewal of the operating license for America’s Best Value Inn on Sinclair Rd has been rescheduled to the end of July.
* The city has announced the Columbus Housing Strategy to tackle the city’s housing shortage and ensure housing affordability for current and future residents. For more information see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BpJBybrqeqU>
* The guidance used by the City of Columbus for development and zoning decisions is found in the Northland Area Plan I, developed in conjunction with the NCC and used by the NCC Development Committee to inform their recommendations to the city regarding proposed zoning change requests and development proposals in the Northland area. The Northland Area Plan I can be found in the city’s Planning Division Document Library here: <https://www.columbus.gov/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=2147489237>

NCC Development Committee - Sam Shy

The next NCCDC Meeting is 7/26. Issues to be addressed so far:

Morse Road/Easton Area - Vet office in building near I-270 asking for a setback change variance.

ChickFil-A - Seeking variance to replace tents (for outside order takers) with permanent canopies.

A resident expressed concern about new city council building criteria requiring that parking be in the back of the building instead of the front. Sam replied that all lighting and safety precautions are still required.

Communications - Angie VanHulle

Next Lamplighter - August

Articles Due - August 6th

A resident suggested we send Lamplighters to members of Columbus City Council and Mayor.

Salem Web Page - Stephanie Wheeler (not present)

salemcivicassociation.org will be updated.

Residents were informed that the executive Board discussed updating the website at their executive meeting.

Membership - Jake Wheeler

There are currently 126 residential members. The SCA would like to see 200.

Safety Committee - Jeff Combs

Nothing to report or discuss.

Hospitality - (acting) Charlene

* August Cookout/Meeting: August 23rd. SCA will provide meats and condiments and chips. Members asked to bring side dishes to share.
* October 25th - Soup and Chili cookoff

December 20th - Holiday Party - Pizza from Pizza House

Salem Elementary

* Currently, there is no active PTA. You do not have to have children at Salem Elementary School to be on PTA. If you are interested, please see Allison.
* Parent Consultant/Family Ambassador - this is a paid position open at Salem ES. Approximately 20 hours per week. Role is to engage families to become involved. If interested, please contact Salem Elementary School.
* A resident suggested a winer coat drive for Salem ES students. Charlene will reach out to the principal.
* School Supplies - Salem gets money to provide supplies; not a current need. CPS has an event coming up for school supplies.

Feral Cats - Rae Kirkbride (614) 378-7950 rk@sregroup.com.

* Explained that she and one other person run a T&R (trap and release) for feral cats in Salem Village. She informed residents and one unspayed female can potentially produce 5,000 cats in 7 years. T&R is extremely effective since once these cats are spayed, they cannot produce offspring. If feral cats did not exist in the neighborhood, rats would take over
* Cat Welfare provides vouchers for spay/neuter for $10 and clip ear tips so they know that the cat has been spayed/neutered.
* Homeless to home (Marion) is an organization that will take all cats brought in. Contributions can be made to Homeless to Home via Kroger/Amazon.
* Finally, if residents have a problem with feral cats, please call Rae and let her know how you can help. Feral cats take care of rats. 8 weeks from kittens being born before they become Feral.

They need help to control the feral cat population and are asking for volunteers:

* Drivers to take captured cats to the vet.
* People to help feed.
* Places/shelters to house cats in winter.
* Needed for winter shelter
  + rubbermaid containers (with lid)
  + Wood pallets
  + Plywood 1/2", 1/4"

Contact Rae if you have Feral cat on property - they will come and determine if the cat is spayed.

Old Business:

Garage Sale - August 6th - Joe Jackson (ReMax sponsor) (present)

Ads in Clintonville Spotlight (July/August)

You may need to use old signs for garage sale.

There is an event obn Facebook - if you are participating, please announce there.

National Night out - Tuesday, August 2nd, 6-8pm at Chaseland. Popsicles, dog treats, bottled water. A couple of cornhole games

Block Party Sunday, September 25th, yards near school Garvey between Roche/Darcy:

A Committee is needed for the following:

* Allison - Contact insurance company for a rider required by city.
* Charlene - forms/getting signatures from residents
* Inflatable - Angie
* Food - SCA will provide hot dogs/condiments, chips, water. Need additional donations of packaged snacks (chips, cookies, etc.)

New Business

Regarding the article in the Lamplighter about Poste Lake, everyone living on the lake loved the article.

Announcements -

* Civil War Reenactment - War of Rebellion is being planned by a resident.
* Clintonville Community Choir - 7pm Sunday, July 24th - looking for new voices.
* A resident reported being attacked by hornets. Time of year they are building nests in the ground. Be careful.
* Abandoned truck on North Meadows has been towed. Councilman Remy (Public Safety Chair of Columbus City Council) attended the last NCC meeting. He has been working to convince the city to open a 2nd impound lot - this has been done.

Motion to adjourn.