

OTRCC Membership Meeting May 23, 2016
DRAFT Minutes

Attending: 43

Board Members attending: Cassandra Barham, Patricia Bittner, Martha Good, Matt Jacob, Joan Kaup, David Macejko, Bob Sehlhorst, Amy Silver

Board member absent: Seth Maney, Mark Manley, Monica McGloin, John Walter, Jai Washington,

Consent items - Peter Hames moved to approve the agenda as submitted; seconded by Matt Jacob. Motion approved

Officer Rock, District One Police - Sargent Moton has moved to another district. Our new sergeant is Sargent Ward. Welcome!

Barbara Bell, Rothenberg School – Looking forward to the summer break! And always looking forward to volunteers and visitors. Call the office for a tour or more information. [513-363-5700](tel:513-363-5700).

Jake Williams, board president of **Invest in Neighborhoods** (IIN) – started in 1982 with an investment from the various community councils and that fund pays a dividend of about \$800 to the OTRCC and all other community councils each year. IIN produces the Neighborhood Summit each year. Will restart the merit grant in 2016 to help increase capacity of community councils. June 23rd is the IIN annual meeting. It is by ordinance that the city recognizes community council as the voice of residents, but that is not binding. OTRCC is simply a recommending body. There are officially 52 communities, and 50 councils – with the invitation for the other two communities to initiate and support a council.

Ken Wilson of Cincinnati Works – Helps people become self-sufficient and break the cycle of poverty with permanent fulltime employment. Classes, counseling, personal coaches and services are provided. Contact at 513-744-WORK or <https://cincinnatiworks.org> They have an office located at City Link. They work with felons and young people who have aged out of foster care.

Lorri Winchester, Greater Cincinnati Water Works – Cincinnati has state of art water treatment process in place to protect public health and meet or surpass all drinking water standards. If lead gets in your drinking water it can be dangerous, especially to infants and children. The owners are responsible for maintaining the lines in privately owned properties. GCWW is responsible for public service lines and they have been replacing the lead service lines and will continue to do so. To see if the water lines at your residence have been replaced you can look up your address online; and for more information regarding lead in your water, and to request a free lead testing kit visit www.Lead.myGCWW.org To report a water main break or leak, please call 513 591-7700. <http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/water/>

Sokoni Hughes, Chatfield College – Open enrollment college for students with HS diploma or GED. Summer semester enrollment is open NOW! Scholarships are available. Also offering community enrichment classes on the weekends such as yoga, Zumba and sign language. www.chatfield.edu Schedule a campus visit at Central Parkway & Liberty, call [513-921-9856](tel:513-921-9856)

Justin Leach, Cincinnati Preservation Collective – If the Denison Hotel is demolished we are lowering the bar for future demolition of any of our historic building. The historic conservation board has the ultimate vote and say and that meeting and presentation is Thursday at 1:00 p.m. at city council chamber. Cincinnati Preservation Collective is asking OTRCC membership to ratify the board's recommendation to oppose demolition of the Denison Hotel. Peter Hames moved to support the ratification; Bob Selhorst seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ryan Lammi, OTR resident, asking OTRCC members to support the board's recommendation that OTRCC sign a letter urging Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber **NOT** to exercise their power to suspend streetcar operations during Heritage Events such as Taste of Cincinnati and Oktoberfest. Service will enhance attendance and it is an inconvenient to residents and visitors. Peter Hames moved to support the board's decision to send the letter; Patricia Bittner seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mike Heekin and Graham Kalbli, Source 3 Development (S3D) - Liberty Corner Development. Recap: 1.44 acres with 4 vacant historic buildings that will be rehabbed. A new infill building with a garage will be built in between them. This is a catalytic project bridging a gap from south of Liberty to north of Liberty to support Findlay Market and the neighborhood. The process started about 18 months ago; it's an important project for the entire community. Since 2014, S3D has met with the city, people in the community, Findlay Market, the infill committee, the community council. Because of community input, S3D will bring back the alley, and reduces the massing, lower the height to 5 stories; reduce the mass from 95 to 87 market-rate units, will remove the set back and build out to the property line. Building will bridge over the alley. S3D will continue to work with the infill committee, historic conservation board, and keep the community in the loop. The concept plan is approved and the architectural details are to be determined. S3D and OTRCC Board welcome your ideas such as looking at commercial spaces/retail shops that appeal to a more diverse market. You can send your ideas to presidentotrcc@gmail.com Asking for ratification to support the board's letter to support the Concept Plan.

David Macjeko moved to support the board's decision to send the letter; Patricia Bittner seconded the motion. 12 votes in favor, 10 votes opposed. The motion passed.

Peter Hames, Neighborhood Night Out – Tuesday, August 2, 5:30 -7p.m. at Findlay Market. A social gathering for residents to get to know our local police. David Macejko recruited Children's Hospital Heart Institute as a new sponsor Hosted by Findlay Market. Peter Hames Moved to ratify board's recommendation to support the event; Matt Jacob seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Cassandra Barham, Contact Center - 31st Annual OTR Community Festival: Saturday, August 6, noon – 6:00 p.m. in Washington Park.
Booth is \$80. Contact Cassandra to sponsor a booth, to volunteer and participate.

Consent Items: Matt Jacob moved to approve April Minutes; seconded by Cassandra Barham. Motion passed. Matt gave a treasurer's report. Approve Treasurer's report. Bob Sehlhorst moved to approve April Minutes; seconded by Peter Hames. Motion passed.

We have an opening for board members. Taking application for 15 days. Complete the application form found on the website to joankaup@gmail.com or contact her for a form.

Cassandra Barham motioned to adjourn; Elizabeth Burnside seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Upcoming Events:

OTRCC Board meeting: June 13, 6:00 at Graydon on Main.

OTRCC Membership meeting: June 27, 6:00 at OTR Rec Center

Neighborhood Night Out – Tuesday, August 2, 5:30 -7p.m. at Findlay Market

31st Annual OTR Community Festival: Saturday, August 6, noon – 6:00 p.m. in Washington Park. If you'd like to do 'face painting' at the OTR Community Festival, please contact Cassandra at [513-381-4242](tel:513-381-4242).