

July Membership Meeting- July 24, 2017, 6:00pm
Over-the-Rhine Community Council
Rec Center 1715 Republic St

6:00pm Maurice Wagoner Called the meeting to order

Cincinnati Police Report: Officer Rock-reported on an uptick in violence around Grant Park. Efforts are in motion to address this. Spoke about "the bug" being charged in court (prolific graffiti/tagger in the neighborhood) tomorrow 7/25. Officer Rock said it would help if neighborhood residents spoke in court about concerns.

Motion to approve the agenda-Peter moves approval, Danny seconds.

Motion to approve the June meeting minutes-Bill moves approval, Key seconds .

Introduction of the new board of trustees and officers. –new board members introduced themselves to the room.

Motion to ratify election of new officers (Maurice Wagoner, president; Kelly Strickland, vice president; Danny Klingler, treasurer; Amy Silver, Secretary.) Peter moved the ratification of the new officers, Bonnie seconds. Motion carried

Denny Dellinger spoke to the issue of graffiti in the neighborhood. Denny shared that he feels the issue needs to be taken seriously. Denny asked that a letter be drafted to regarding the hearing tomorrow in support of prosecution of "the bug" (who comes in from Claremont County). Some expressed concern about writing a letter given the fact that criminal charges are on the line. There was discussion about the necessity for this issue to be taken seriously in the neighborhood- this particular offender has caused great deal of damage across the neighborhood. The issue of "process" came up during this discussion-how and when we decide to write a letter from the OTRCC. (In this case especially when criminal prosecution is on the line.) Julie suggested that OTRCC have a policy about graffiti-not necessarily weighing in on this case but having a public position regarding this. No letter will be issued from the OTRCC but individuals are encouraged to do what they feel is appropriate esp at the hearing tomorrow regarding "the bug".

NSP update: Mark Manley not present to give update. Maurice asked for a volunteer to help with NSP moving forward. Myra Greenburg volunteered to help with NSP. Key Beck will step up to manage NSP from the board. Mike Boots reminded Key and Myra of the deadline coming up for the current NSP dollars.

Treasurer Report: Danny reported that NSP will be \$7700 this year. We will come to the community this year to ask for NSP proposals to spend this money in our neighborhood. If we don't spend it the city keeps it.

Working Groups/board direction-Discussion: Maurice asked the group to fill out the surveys that are on the table. He shared that the board is here to serve the membership and we are seeking their input. Members took time to fill out surveys and then engaged in discussion at their tables on their priorities in Over-the-Rhine. There was discussion about the issue of parking in Over-the-Rhine. It was discussed that parking as an issue might need to be its own committee.

Key asked about how we can get this questionnaire to members of the community that aren't here at the meeting. This will be made available on the website. Walter suggested some places where we could leave paper copies of this survey. He volunteered to work on getting paper copies. We will also post this on the Facebook page.

The group broke up to discuss their answers to the surveys. The work plan of the board will be presented at the September OTRCC meeting.

Walter Carter announced a basketball tournament he is organizing-scheduled for August 5th at 8am. Event will be at Ziegler Park-everyone can participate/all ages (before the Over-the-Rhine Festival which is in Washington Park so people can go to both).

Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm Josh moves, Amy seconds.

*Board members present: Maurice Wagoner, Thomas Fields, Stefan, Bill Cappel, Amy Silver, Anthony Bradford, Key Beck, Danny Klingler, Julie Fay, and Walter Carter.