

Huber Ridge Area Association 9/6/07 Minutes

Call to order by President Jim Welch-the meeting was called to order at 6:31pm

Introductions/Attendance/Quorum (sign-in list and updates). There were 23 people in attendance including 2 representatives from Faith Covenant Church, 3 representatives from Cushions, 1 representative from Larry B's, and Stuart Flaherty representing Township Trustees

President's Report-Jim Welch stated that the HRAA website (hrraa.org) had 2,352 hits-the highest number to date! He also stated that he and his fiancée are going to have her parents move in with them and he is looking for a house to hold everyone in Blendon Township. He might have to step down from his position if he cannot find a house in Huber Ridge.

Vice President's Report-Brian McMahan asked who would be mediating the "meet the candidates" on 10/16. Pam Clegg said she would discuss with Marje and Brian

Secretary's Report- Era McMahan asked to dispense with reading the minutes from the last meeting. Motion made by Pam Clegg, seconded by Jim Welch

Treasurer's Report-Brent Sheffer was not in attendance

Reports of other Officers

Newsletter Editor-Marje Obrist stated that there were 12 potential advertisers for the next newsletter with 3 new advertisers: ABCO Fire Protection, Cushions Billiards and Lounge, and Strong, Donley E., CPA. Newsletter article deadline was today, 9/6/07. Fall newsletter will be distributed at the end of September.

Reports of Committee Chairpersons:

Block Watch Report: Pam Clegg handed out the Block Watch Report. The Block Watch Rep Award will be handed out at the October meeting. Pam reminded all that the "meet the candidate" was at Faith Covenant Church on 10/16 at 7pm. Also at Faith Covenant on 10/23 will be Internet Safety Training provided by Westerville Police (free and open to public but no kids under 12 years of age).

Welcome Committee-Carolyn Cordray handed out a Welcome Committee report: She thanked Cushions Billiards & Lounge for donating a \$10.00 gift certificate for the newest bags. She also thanked everyone involved in the Labor Day Bike parade-it was a huge success with over 20 kids involved. Big thanks to Officers Cromwell and Moore! She asked for anyone that might have pictures to place them on the website.

Membership Committee: Eric had nothing to report

Old Business

OAW-Jim received a letter from Thomas Swin (network operator for OAW) on an update: they completed a 2nd flushing of the hydrants with a 3rd in the planning stage. A new chemical feed rooms are beginning construction and the Ohio EPA have approved a temporary addition of phosphate solution to the water.

Halloween Party at Ridgeway Park-Jim Welch reminded everyone to think about the upcoming event. He needs someone to volunteer and plan the entire event.

New Business

Dan Sylvester from Cushions thanked the association for being a part of the community. He stated that he will continue to keep a good relationship between his business and the community. He introduced his managers: Jessie Cantrell and Joshua Kelly; if he is not available residents may contact his managers if they have questions.

Stu Flaherty spoke about a follow-up from the last time he visited the association: The Columbus Fire Chief will be inspecting 2 buildings on Makassar and Fox Run. Stu is still researching Blendon Township creating their own building codes.

Barbara Wallace (principle of Huber Ridge Elementary) and Lorena Talbert (president of Huber Ridge PTA) thanked the association for bringing communication to the area. Barbara is excited to announce the additions of a new playground and fitness course (to be completed over the next 3 years). They are raising money on October 11 on the playground by having a walk-a-thon. Their goal is \$30,00-so please pledge! She is also looking for businesses to be sponsors.

Mrs. Talbert asked for volunteers during Trick-or-Treat night to keep kids safe. The main concern is the areas around the elementary school that are not well-lit. She has asked Blendon Police to assist but due to the high volume of calls they receive they cannot station 1 officer at the school. The association agreed to sign-up volunteers. Pam Clegg asked Lorena to produce a map of where she would want volunteers stationed (potentially 12 volunteers will be needed).

Closing-All items can be viewed on our website: www.huberridge.org

Adjourn- Meeting Concluded at 7:34pm

Respectfully submitted,
Era McMahan, HRAA Secretary