

**Clifton Community Council  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, July 19, 2011  
6 p.m.  
Clifton Center**

## **MINUTES**

Attending: John Beckman, Jason Brauner, Jim Brauner, Sam Dodson, Pat Leitsch, Cher Robinson, Lisa Work, Bill Wright

Absent: Edgar Eaves, Janie Estes, Pam Sheehan (excused)

Guests: Officer Jeff Artman, Jen Beckman, Cassandra Cullen

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Sam Dodson. Pat moved to approve the June minutes. The motion was seconded by Cher and unanimously carried.

**Co-Chair Reports:** Jason reported that he and Sam have attended Frankfort Avenue Business Association (FABA) meetings and have established a reciprocal agreement for CCC representatives to attend their meetings, and FABA may send representatives to our meetings. It is hoped to include the Crescent Hill Community Council in this arrangement in order to have the three groups working toward improving Frankfort Avenue. Jason and Sam will be attending the next Crescent Hill Community Council meeting. John suggested having Pedestrian and Bicycle Access committee members attend FABA meetings, and Jason said that that committee would be something to ask FABA to include in their agenda. Sam said that the three groups may be able to work together to unify the message and replace banners on Frankfort Avenue.

**Crime Report:** Officer Jeff Artman gave the attached crime report, made a part of these minutes by reference, and noted that thefts are up. He said that plain clothes officers are going around to "hot" crime areas.

Jen Beckman said that grounding wires on some utility poles have been stolen for the copper and that individuals need to report the missing wires to LG&E. John will write on this issue for the upcoming newsletter.

Officer Artman distributed flyers for the National Night Out on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6 p.m. at the Peterson-Dumesnil House. They are looking for volunteers and donations to help with the event. There will be free food, trolley rides and booths with local businesses and organizations. They're hoping for a large turnout.

Jen Beckman brought up the issue of the curb by The UPS Store at Frankfort and Keats being painted gray. Cars are parking too close to Frankfort Avenue making it very difficult to see to turn. Officer Artman will look into this.

**Land Use & Preservation:** John Beckman presented the attached LUPC Committee report, made a part of these minutes by reference. There was additional discussion on CCC representatives for the ARC guidelines task force. Lisa moved to elect John Beckman as CCC board representative and Kevin McAdams as an at large community representative on the ARC task force, and that we recommended Dave Marchal to serve on behalf of Landmarks Commission. The motion was seconded by Pat and unanimously carried.

**Beautification:** Cher reported that she and volunteers worked on the Payne Street calmer. On New Main, they cleared 12 bags of trash and weeds. The city trash can at that site is not being emptied, and Cher is in contact with Kyle Ethridge at Tina Ward-Pugh's office to rectify this. Cher is still seeking volunteers for garden maintenance. Current volunteers are Lenny Robinson, Jim Johnson, Pam Sheehan, Jerry Warner and Kathy Warner. Cher asked for approval to reimburse Jerry Warner for mulch and other supplies totaling \$346. Lisa moved to approve this; it was seconded by John and unanimously carried.

**Membership:** Lisa will meet with Pat and Sam to clarify what has been done in the past.

**Newsletter:** Sam reported that the fall newsletter deadline for copy and ads is 8/12/2011. NLC is still awaiting brief descriptions from all committee heads to include in the "Why it's important to volunteer" article. Any board member is encouraged to write an article.

**Pedestrian & Bicycle Access:** Cassandra said that approval for the Brownsboro Road project is in the works. Once started, the project will take three to six weeks to complete. She is still inquiring about the Jane street sidewalk project.

**Finance:** Pat reported that our regular checking account had \$11,591.95. \$400 was deposited, and an invoice for \$153.50 was paid, leaving a balance of \$11,838.42.

### Other Business

**Sustainability Committee:** Jen Beckman reported that a group wants to revive the former Sustainability Committee, as history of which was presented and is attached. John Baker is interested in chairing the committee. Jen and David Coyte are interested in serving on the committee, and Pam Sheehan would like to serve as the CCC board liaison. Committee goals would be to distribute 55 gallon barrels converted to rain barrels (donated by DD Williamson); to work on growing the Sustainability Fair, a Clifton Universalist Unitarian Church event, and to work with Landmarks on sustainability, including provisions for solar panels. Jason moved to recognize this as a committee of the CCC board. The motion was seconded by Lisa and unanimously carried.

Jen will write something on the committee for the CCC newsletter. Lisa mentioned a sustainability awards event as a possible CCC fundraiser. Cassandra said that the CCC board eliminated the committee due to problems resulting from someone writing and submitting grants without the board's knowledge.

**Meetings:** Lisa said that the November 15<sup>th</sup> board and quarterly meeting were scheduled for the same evening. It was decided to hold a short board meeting at 6 p.m. followed by the quarterly meeting at 7 p.m.

**Community of Trees:** Cassandra is on a committee to do an inventory of trees and they need people to assist with the inventory. It was noted that David Coyte has an inventory of Orchard Project trees.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by: Lisa Work, Secretary

**Attachment #1**  
**Metro Louisville Crime Report**

**Clifton Crime Report**

Theft

6/20 100 Blk Coral Ave Stolen vehicle/'91 Durango  
6/24 2000 Blk Payne St Victim lost a phone/phone was picked up and used  
7/t0 1800 Blk Frankfort Ave Stolen Vehicle/'99 Caravan  
7 /l2 1800 Blk Frankfort Ave Stolen Vehicle/'88 Chevy pickup  
7/12 100 Blk Pope St Stolen Vehicle/'97 Chevy pickup  
7 /f2 100 Blk Pope St Stolen vehicle/'99 Dodge pickup  
7 /t4 2300 Blk Brownsboro Rd Bike stolen  
7 /t4 1700 Blk Mellwood Ave Theft from vehicle/chain saws

Burglary

6/20 100 Blk William St Jewelry/tools from an apartment  
6/22 2000 Blk Emerald Ave Entry through an open window/camera stolen  
6/29 2000 Blk Emerald Ave Laptop/TV stolen  
7 /3 100 Blk N. Keats TV video games stolen  
7 /t 2000 Blk Frankfort Ave Warehouse/possibly a theft  
7/tS 100 Blk N Bellaire Coins/electronics

Other

6/28 2300 Blk Frankfort Ave Suspect arrested for an assault  
7 /8 200 Blk Haldeman Ave Harassing Communications report/phone  
6/10 2000 Blk Emerald Ave Window damage-possibly att. Break-in?  
7 /l5 2300 Blk Brownsboro Rd Terroristic Threatening report

## **Attachment #2**

### **Land Use & Preservation Committee Report**

1. Kyle Etheridge of the 9th District Metro Council office tells me that the KY Alcoholic Beverages Control board has granted a 2AM after hours liquor license to the Recovery Room LLC to be operating at 1800 Frankfort Avenue (SE corner Frankfort & Pope St.). The applicants have 30 days (the decision was sent 6/28/11) to appeal the decision.
2. The Longshot Tavern at 2232 Frankfort Ave. (corner Frankfort and Rastetter Ave.) is for sale. I have received one inquiry of interest from a potential buyer who would operate a restaurant at the site, but has postponed plans as an offer-to-buy cannot be agreed upon. I was unable to find a price listing online. The property is zoned C-2.
3. River City Tire at 2235 Frankfort Ave. is for sale at a listing price of \$1.5 million. The buildings are listed at 14,233 sq. ft. of space. The property is zoned C-2.
4. Kroger Gas Station developers are looking to ascertain a construction start date at the end of July, 2011.
5. The Ready Electric Co. buildings at 2030 Frankfort Ave. are for sale at a listing price of \$2 million. The buildings have 10,000 sq. ft. of space on 1.67 acres of land. The property is zoned C-2.

On the agenda of the 7/13/11 meeting of the Clifton Architectural Review Committee was discussion of moving ahead with the process for revising the Clifton HP guidelines. The following invitation was issued by the ARC:

“Dear Clifton resident, property owner, business owner,

Please be advised that the Louisville Metro Historic Landmarks and Preservation Districts Commission is undertaking a review of the Design Guidelines currently in place for the Clifton Preservation District. The Clifton Architectural Review Committee (ARC) of the Commission is leading this effort and is looking for residents, property owners, and business owners to serve on a task force that will meet to review and discuss the current guidelines and suggest revisions for improvement. We are looking for folks who have had direct or indirect experience with the preservation review process, are interested in the topic, and have constructive ideas for improvement. Members of the task force should be prepared to make a commitment to attend approximately 4 to 6 meetings to take place in Clifton over the course of 2011 and possibly into 2012. We are looking for approximately 6 people to serve on the Task Force alongside several members of the Clifton Architectural Review Committee. In the event you are unable to participate at this level, or are not selected, please be advised that all meetings will be open to the public and opportunities will be provided for public input.

The above invitation has been distributed through the Clifton E-News, the LUPC email list, and the 9<sup>th</sup> District Metro Council weekly e-newsletter. ARC is expected to name the task force and schedule the task force meetings at its first August 2011 meeting.

It was also suggested at this meeting that the ARC would seek to add CCC and FABA designated members to be named to the task force. My understanding from Sam is that on Friday 7/15/11 FABA designated Tim Koons-McGee as their designate, and tonight I would like to suggest that our board name John Beckman and Kevin McAdams as the CCC designates. John would represent the CCC board itself, and

Kevin would represent the at large CCC membership on the task force. I will present "why I want to serve" statements from both Kevin and myself at the meeting tonight. Those statements are also added to this report. With the boards' approval of its designees I would ask that the co-chairs communicate this to Clifton ARC chair Scott Kremer with the "why I want to serve" statements attached.

As the above invitation states, ARC will name six respondents to the task force (including the FABA and CCC designees) to serve with several ARC members. I will suggest the addition to the task force of one staff member from Metro Landmarks, my preference being Dave Marchal, Metro Landmarks staff manager. While the ARC will also plan for the organization of the process for revision, my assumption is that it will closely resemble the process for the already-done windows guideline revision process: the taskforce participating in a series of neighborhood public input meetings, task force meetings to assemble a package of revision suggestions to ARC, ARC participating in a public meeting for the task force presentation and discussion of the suggestions, ARC approval, Landmarks Commission approval, Metro Council approval, and implementation with the mayor's signature. All this I hope by year- end 2011 or early 2012.

### **Attachment #3 Sustainable Clifton**

#### SUSTAINABLE CLIFTON (An overview 2007-2008)

Although the CCC's Board abolished this committee on Friday, September 19, 2008, many of the initiatives undertaken by this committee live on.

Sycamore Manor (now Scarlet Hope) provided meeting space for two orientation sessions, and a number of sub-committee meetings. The Adena Institute and Webster University were significant collaborators. The Gaia Education Foundation provided a \$300.00 grant to assist in modifying the Gaia Education curriculum to a neighborhood setting. Gaia Education is divided into four domains (Worldview, Social, Economic, and Ecological) representing the full scope of sustainability.

The Ecological Work Group, using their energy and commitment, was very active and attracted many new faces - particularly younger folks and renters. A major accomplishment was the community garden, lead by Whit Forrester, Jane Estes, and Mike O'Leary, is now the Billy Goat Hill Community Garden. This project was accomplished in partnership with Mercy Sacred Heart Village (SHV). SHV has since supported the Council by having a one page ad in the Quarterly. The adaptive reuse of the former Louisville Paving site on Payne fulfilled a major goal of the Council's 2000 Neighborhood Plan.

A major Economic Work Group initiative was lead by David Coyte, subcommittee chair. The Orchard Project is providing a sustainable economic platform through internships, volunteer opportunities, and potentially profit generating activities. Although the Council refused to provide fiscal agency for this project the Clifton UU Church stepped-in and is the current fiscal sponsor.

The Social Work Group, using a variety of community organizing techniques, has furthered a neighborhood wide sense of community. Jennifer Oladipo, who has relocated to North Carolina, will be missed. The efforts of this work group taught us that social capital exists in the space between the relationships we further with one another.

The World View Work Group, chaired by former Clifton UU Minister, Todd Eklof, was able to knit the ecological, economic, and social threads into a dynamic perspective encompassing Clifton's values of compassion, respect, diversity, and personal responsibility. A workshop on Creation Spirituality was held at the Clifton UU Church.