

## May 16, 2012 CCHCA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

compiled by Judy Fraser, secretary

LOCATION: Blenheim Interpretive Center, 3610 Old Lee Highway

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Board members: Steve Caruso, Dia Pullen, Jennifer Melton, Larisa Parsons, Leslie Daniels, Margarita Diaz, Judy Fraser, Rebecca Gregory, Donna Sabo

Committee members: Jennifer Judelsohn (community appearance), Toby Sorensen (directory), Hildie Carney (advertising) Ernie Klimonda (welcoming/electronic media), Jerry Sumrell (newsletter)

CCHCA members: Livingston Johnson, Bob Willard, Lisa Whetzel, David Stearman, Ellie Schmidt, Joan Phillips

Guest Speaker: Rick Thoesen, Director of City Utilities

Meeting convened at 7:00-- (quorum of minimum 10% of membership present)

President's report: (Steve Caruso) 3 new music event this past year. Goal is to connect neighbors. Newsletter has been re-formatted and is looking very good. Another goal was one event per month, minimum. This summer will get the August Waterfest going and looking for volunteers. Neighborhood donation to Our Daily Bread tripled over last year. Lisa W. mentioned that in addition some neighbors are donating directly on the ODB website. Currently working on guidelines for each of the board positions to make transitions easier and duties clearer. Board has worked well together over the past year. Steve and Lisa are looking into feasibility of solar power for the common area. City has expressed interest, still waiting to hear whether there is a source for funding and whether project could be undertaken by City. This is a project we cannot do ourselves; need to work with the city. Project to replace neighborhood entrance signs well underway, with donations to cover one sign, a fundraising event, the Mostly Acoustic Music Benefit, this weekend. Leslie asked whether the city might be able to help us on the signs. Discussion ensued about whether to include the entrance number on the new signs. Recommendation to have a change jar for donations at neighborhood events. Leslie reminded the board to ask for canned and boxed food donations for Our Daily Bread at all or our neighborhood events. There are three houses on Old Lee that predate CCH and have been included in our neighborhood records. The residents may or may not want to be included. By consensus, the membership agreed to include any of the three who would like to be members.

VP Civic Affairs: Jennifer Passey (absent - report read by Steve) Active year, work has been to update residents. Two meet-the-candidate events were successful, and caught the attention of the local press. Her goal is to provide a forum for residents to reach their leaders.

Guest Speaker Rick Thoesen spoke to the assembled members about the pending decision on whether to sell the water service or retain and upgrade it. At the end of his presentation and questions and answers Steve suggested that the neighborhood send a letter of support for retaining the water service and the 15 of 17 members supported that action.

Secretary: (Judy Fraser) asked for edits to the minutes from February 15, 2012 meeting and the board approved the minutes as written.

Treasurer's report: ( Dia Pullen) Fund balance of \$6009.40.

Welcoming Committe/website Ernie Klimonda Only one new resident in 5 months. Website has a lot of great archived history. Every available document has been scanned and can be accessed at cchca.org.

Advertising Hildie Carney encouraged the use of our advertisers. They are supporting our neighborhood so we should support them with our business.

VP Publications: Jennifer Melton next newsletter deadline is May 21st

VP Membership: Margarita Diaz 156 members as of today. Steve thanked Margarita for a great job on the membership drive and in organizing and tracking membership data.

Directory Toby Sorensen Toby urged members to send her updated information for directory and to encourage neighbors to do the same.

Installation of 2012-2013 Board of Directors by Hildie Carney. The following members were installed:

President: Steve Caruso

VP Civic Affairs: Jennifer Passey

Treasurer: Dia Pullen

VP Publications: Jennifer Melton

Secretary: Donna Sabo

VP Block Captains: Leslie Daniels

VP Membership: Judy Fraser

VP Social Activities: Larisa Parsons

VP Community Safety: Rebecca Gregory

Proposed Changes to the Bylaws: Judy read the proposed changes to the bylaws. Discussion about raising dues led to a motion to set the maximum dues in the bylaws at \$20 per year. The members voted unanimously to both set the dues maximum to \$20 and to approve the rest of the changes as proposed.

The following amendments as approved (changes in bold):

Article IX COMMITTEES

Section 1. and 5. Change Publicity committee to Signage (Street Signs) committee

ADD Section 10 If a standing committee chair fails to attend three consecutive regular meetings of the Board or fails, as determined by the Board, to perform any of his/her other duties as a committee

chair, his/her office may be declared vacant by the Board of Directors after consultation with said committee chair and the vacancy filled.

#### ARTICLE XI DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

Section 2. Household dues shall be no more than \$20.00 per fiscal year.

#### ARTICLE XIV GENERAL PROVISIONS

ADD Section 5 These By-Laws shall be reproduced in quadruplicate, signed by the President, the Civic Affairs V.P. and the Secretary and copies safeguarded by the signatories and the Historian. The Webmaster shall publish a signed copy on the corporation's website.

The members voted to raise dues to \$15.

VP Social Activities: Larisa Parsons Ice cream social has been rescheduled to June 15 to coincide with last day of school at 6pm. The Main Street Community Band Concert will be on July 22. Waterfest is planned for August 11. Labor Day picnic will be on Sept 3, 4-7, entertainment will be a moon bounce or similar kid's activities. The next Board of Directors meeting is August 1, 2012. Halloween pizza party will be October 31 at 5pm. Santa visits will be in December it was agreed that all sign-ups should be required to have a current membership to participate and that it is important to have an accurate count of children that will be at each house.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.