

KENNEDY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 18, 2004 Opened: 07:40 PM. Adjourned: 09:25 PM. Attendance count – 32 (From sign-in sheet.)

Opening:

Noel Morgan, president, called the meeting to order and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports and Comments:

The minutes from the April council meeting were approved as presented on the web. Copies were available at the meeting.

Our treasurer, Bob Kamp, provided status for April: Funds available = 11,960(excludes 1,000 in CD for KHAC), income = 691 and expenditures = 7,301.

Announcements etc:

- ◆ The State Liquor board denied the Beverage Cave's application for a license. Richard Cook, A. Gerickstein and the police Department were all recognized for their contributions.
- ◆ Inclement weather created challenges for Litter Magic.
- ◆ The Sap Run's food committee was commended for a wonderful breakfast.
- ◆ Richard Cook announced the official opening for the Arts Center on 6/19 and asked for volunteers for; Thursday's 9 am to 5 pm for cleaning day (call 631-4ART), landscape coordinator, tour guides for 2 hour shifts on opening day, Starting 6/19 from 5 pm to 9 pm –need 10 volunteers and finally an ambassador for the Art Center to solicit funding.
- ◆ Amy Krings of CPOP (Community Problem Oriented Policing) urged residents to attend the training session at the church on 5/27. Learn more about CPOP and the SARA community problem solving process.

Police Report:

Officer Engleman reported that there is now payment for voluntary OT for the bike patrol. Block Watch meetings for Northdale Place with Donna Falk participating are being attended.

Residents continue to report their frustration with the drug problem in the area. Officer Engleman advises that Sergeant Ibold needs to be contacted at 979-4420 and also contact the chair of the Health and Safety Committee at 382-2894 when observing illegal incidents. Officer E. will also check on the availability of Drug Free Zone Signs.

Fire Report:

Captain Long's report included response to 2 fires, 60 EMS, 6 other for a total of 68 responses for April. He mentioned free carbon monoxide detectors and will talk to Felix Bere about the car lot and report back to council.

Community Business Summary:

Sil Watkins (Real Deal Auto) is pursuing the purchase of the Tyne and Montgomery property for automobile lot where 10-15 cars will be located.

The planned hours are from 10 am to 7 pm Monday thru Saturday and no repairs will be made at the site. This will be like "Rally Motors". Council members indicated that this was not in support of the community's Comprehensive plan and requested that Mr. Watkins consider membership on the council. Mr. Watkins also stated that there would be no sales, neon signs, painted windows at the site and that landscaping, property maintenance and litter removal would be top priorities.

Later in the meeting, suggestions were made to assess if the Real Deal Auto business is compatible with the Comprehensive Plan. There is no zoning restriction so a request was made to CODS to find out the maximum number of cars allowed.

Mimi introduced Anna Turley, Certified Baby-Sitter who is providing baby-sitting services at the council meetings.

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Committee Reports:

CODC:

Van Foster reported that there were more city folks than neighborhood residents at the NBDW. Josh Swain was recognized for organizing the NBDW and his contributions to the committee as the liaison to the City for KH.

Education:

Ce Holm reported that KH could present to the school board the needs of the Silverton and Kennedy Heights communities. The need is to see Kennedy Heights and Silverton as one area, bring them together and pick the best site for a school (Kennedy and Montgomery). Other residents believe that the administration is already aware of our needs and this is not the best time to approach the board. KH needs to monitor the Facilities committee and push for a rational logical proposal to use the KM property for a school. Silverton residents reportedly want a school on Stewart Road and there is a need for a mediator between KH and Silverton communities.

Housing:

Bruce Long, committee chair asked once again for volunteers to assist with painting etc to help residents in the neighborhood. Sign up sheets were available at the meeting.

Recreation:

Karen Thomas and Melissa Smith announced various activities at the PR center and Kennedy Park including swimming, tennis and yoga. 7/27 Every Body Backyard picnic at Drake Park; 5/24 next Recreation Committee meeting and for 10/2 which is Barry Larkin Day at the Reds, please bring any information to share about Barry to the _____ meeting where a Red's representative will be present.

Nomination:

Please send suggestions to Sheral Foster via email. The council unanimously accepted two nominations for member at large, Nece Bassett and Duane Holm.

Closing:

There was no further business; the President adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting: June 15.