

Kennedy Heights Community Council
GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING
November 15, 2022 7:30pm

I. Welcome

II. **Minutes:** Approved for October. Motion: Caitlin, 2nd: Brandon. Ayes: 100%, Nays: 0.

III. **Public Safety Reports**

A. **District 2 Police (Off. Rice):** Report given. Also noted: Kia/Hyundai 2013 and up are being vandalized. Kia is giving out the "Club" but you must call and request it. Keep cars locked.

1. Report by a neighbor on 11/4/22 of hearing a knock at the door and no one being there. It was called into the non-emergency police number and reported.
2. Per Mary: asked regarding follow-up on Wilson's Grocery. Off. Rice has an ongoing investigation regarding this.

B. **Engine 8 Fire Station:** No report. Capt. Harris was on the call but had technical difficulties.

IV. **Treasurer's Report / Budget Update & Grant Activities (Mary):** see drive for full report.

NSP funds: \$7638 spent (Engagement)
NAF \$12,844 (Events), \$1578 Winterfest and/or swag
CPAC \$1500 (Parks) spent
AIG \$861 (Admin) spent

1. Mini Grants are available. Ideas are welcome. Things to improve the neighborhood. Amounts available are between \$100- \$500. Email Mary Ray for the form at mary@kennedyheights.org.

2. **Report approved:** Motion by Amber, 2nd by Steve. Ayes: 100%, Nays: 0.

3. We are looking for a treasurer for 2023. Bookkeeping and a little grant writing would be helpful. If interested, email Mary Ray at mary@kennedyheights.org.

V. **Committee Reports**

A. **Parks & Greenspace- Kate:** discussion on Community Mini Orchard (Green Umbrella-Chris) This is part of our 10 Year Plan... Think about possible sites... Meeting will be planned to discuss and possible a "field trip."

Questions/Comments:

1. Time commitment? – need at least 1 caretaker and 1 back-up person. More info to come.
 2. (Jeffrey): Was Chris involved with the one in Madisonville at Red Bank and Brotherton?
 3. (Mary): Could the Green Corner be a potential spot? Concern about sun exposure.
- For more info, email Kate Kern at kk@kennedyheights.org.

B. **Youth Council- Brandon:** Meet the 3rd Saturday, 11 am – 12 noon at "Community Happens Here." Next meeting is November 19... The goal is to get youth from Kennedy Heights, Silverton, Pleasant Ridge and Golf Manor together to make their voice heard. Will discuss leadership, teamwork and more. Contact Brandon Nixon at brandon@kennedyheights.org.

C. **Communications – Amber:** For 2023 we will continue with the Newsletter 6 times per year.

1. We need info regarding plans for the 60th Anniversary. No date set as yet, but possibly The fall of the year. Announcement info needed by June 1st for the July/August edition.
2. The next issue is January/February. Deadline for submissions is December 1. Contact Samara Ramudit at samara@kennedyheights.org

D. **Events & Engagement – Samara:** Winterfest returns December 2, 6pm - 9pm! Events will be at both the Mansion and Annex. Volunteers needed to pass out flyers and for food.

E. **Hospitality/Welcome- Anita (absent)**

- F. **Housing & Aging in Community – Steve:** Categories created for the repairs needed. The most important are items with a “Sense of Urgency” or safety issues. The committee is in contact with the home owners and People Working Cooperatively is following-up on some issues identified.
- G. **Safety- Eric:** Eric has resigned as a Member-at-large. We are thankful for all the work he has done and wish him well. If you are interested in Chairing the Safety Committee contact the Board at board@kennedyheights.org.

VI. Community Partners

- A. **KH Development Corporation – Mary:** Things are on schedule to close on the purchase NuView by the end of the year. The City will then begin the process for demolition which will probably start in late 2023.
- B. **CRC (Cincinnati Recreation Commission/Pleasant Ridge Recreation Center) – Christian:**
1. Toy Drive: PR Rec Center is a drop off site. This will be added to the FB page.
 2. Saturday hours are 9 am – 2 pm.
 3. Martial Arts: Monday and Wednesday, 6 pm, for school age and adult.
 4. Tai Chi: Saturday, 9 am.
 5. Yoga: Monday and Wednesday, 6 pm.
- For more info email: christian.armstrong@cincinnati-oh.gov.
- C. **Schools: Shroder - Pam Wilder:** Tutors needed in math (fundamentals).
1. Students have had social/emotional imbalances since the Wpandemic. Incentive items are needed to give our for positive behavior.
 2. Students need Community Service opportunities.
- For incentive donations or community service hours please let her know.
- Woodford Elementary School:** a Community Resource Coordinator is needed.
- D. **Library:** no report.
- E. **KH Arts Center:** no report.
- F. **Caring Place – Sharifah:** Thursday, November 17, 9am – 2pm Thanksgiving baskets will given out. A photo ID and a piece of mail no more than 30 days old is required.
1. Sign-up for the Christmas Toy Drive is open for children aged 10 and under.
 2. Winter gear: blankets, comforters, coats, boots, gloves, hats and scarves are needed.
 3. Bring items Tuesday or Thursday, 9 am – 2 pm. For additional information call 513-841-1499, or email at caringplc@yahoo.com.
- F. Other: none

VII. **Other News and Shout Outs:** No December meeting.

VIII. **Public Comment:** none

Adjourn: 8:43 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peggy A. Brown, Secretary