

CRESCENT HILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Greg Smith at the Peterson Dumesnil House.

1st Order of Business: Determination of Quorum-Secretary Cynthia Thomas determined that a quorum was present.

2nd Order of Business: Adoption of Agenda

Motion for the Agenda to be adopted was made by Barry Creech and seconded by Barb Sinai. Motion passed.

3rd Order of Business: Approval of Minutes (January 2013)

Motion for the Minutes to be adopted was made by Barry Creech and seconded by Barb Sinai. Motion passed.

President's presentation of Mission and Theme for 2013

Greg reviewed our mission /theme for 2013. The Council's official mission statement, taken from our by-laws is:

The mission of the Crescent Hill Community Council is to serve as an advocate for maintaining Crescent Hill's quality of life by improving the civic, recreational, cultural and educational life of the Crescent Hill neighborhood, and by strengthening community pride and involvement through objective planning, preservation, and enhancement of its historic character and natural beauty.

Greg reiterated that everything we do as a Council should serve to further our mission. His theme for 2013 is:

MEMBERSHIP INVOLVES YOU!

New members – Jeff Cummins introduced himself.

4th Order of Business : Treasurer's Report

Brian presented the Treasurer's report and pointed out:

- Pointed out line item on insurance expense and pointed out it was a settlement (like how escrow "settles up" at the end of the year.
- Barb McGee asked about profit/loss of newsletter. Brian advised it is going OK
- Brian asked if anyone has any expenses coming up, make sure two different people don't ask for the same thing.

Speakers

- Officer Dan English was not able to join us. However, Greg did report that, at our meeting last month someone had a camera stolen.
- Louisville Metro Council 9th District Council Woman -Tina Ward-Pugh- not able to join due to another meeting.

5th Order of Business - Unfinished Business (any business not concluded at last meeting)- None

6th Order of Business -New Business

Compassionate Community Presentation by Terrian Barnes and Barry Creech

- In conjunction with the City of Louisville's bid to be the most compassionate city, we want to become the most compassionate Community Council; Think about what we can do "good," instead of just what's happening *to* us.
- Terrian attended the Compassionate Louisville Trackers meeting; the city has all the tools set up; we just need to use them.
- Spread the word to gather examples; maybe post on a Facebook page.
- Barry passed out a handout that showed how to join—three steps; look over the handout before the next meeting. If we chose to pursue, it will involve commitment of CHCC efforts.
- To our knowledge, we would be the first Community Council to join
- On March 20th, City will hold a Compassionate workshop. Need to RSVP
- April is compassionate action month

Will vote on the following series of motions next month:

1st Motion by Terrian Barnes and Barry Creech to be a Compassionate Community move

- ⊙ That the Crescent Hill Community Council endorse the "Charter for Compassion."
- ⊙ That the Crescent Hill Community Council become a member of the Compassionate Cities movement
- ⊙ That the Crescent Hill Community Council work with the Partnership for a Compassionate Louisville and other groups in meeting this common mission;
- ⊙ That the Crescent Hill Community Council commit to use its events and gatherings to teach compassion
- ⊙ That the Crescent Hill Community Council agrees to support the city of Louisville in its effort to become the most Compassionate City in America.

Melissa mentioned that she got a little excited about the Compassionate Community and told the Center for Neighborhoods and now they'd like us to come to one of their meetings to present. Hoping other Neighborhood Associations could emulate us.

Greg passed control of the meeting to First Vice-President, Barry Creech

Motion by Greg Smith :

2nd Motion by Greg Smith to create a Compassionate Neighborhood Task Force

I move that we establish a Compassionate Neighborhood Task Force, to explore how we can advance the Compassionate Cities movement. If there is a second I would like to speak to this motion. Seconded by Melissa Mershon. Motion passed.

3rd Motion by Greg Smith to appoint chair of Compassionate Neighborhood Task Force

I move that Terrian Barnes be appointed as Chair of the Compassionate Neighborhood Task Force. If there is a second I would like to speak to this motion. Seconded by Barb Sinai. Motion passed.

4th Motion by Greg Smith to appoint New District Representative

I move that Mona Ball be appointed as District Representative for the Peterson-Dumesnil District. If there is a second I would like to speak to this motion. Kenny will be stepping down as a District Rep because he is chair of the Communications Committee. Seconded by Barb Sinai. Motion passed.

Barry relinquished chairmanship back to Greg.

Call for any New Business from the floor

District Representative Reports— Ellen Diebold, Second Vice President

Ellen said District Representatives roles are:

- To update the website with our information and information about our district
- To provide resources to our neighbors
- To create uniform communication
- We will meet next month at 7:15 before the CHCC monthly meeting
- District Rep Reports
 - Chatsworth—Barb McGee & Kathy King - None
 - Cochran Hill—Van Gliessner & Josh Davis- None
 - Dumesnil—Cullen Lowery- None
 - Emmet Field—Darrell Anne Driskill & Christina Sanders- None
 - Fairview/Hillcrest—Diana Gautier, Kathy Schmitt- Working on getting email and phone number list.
 - Kennedy Park—Sewlyn Parker- none
 - Reservoir Park- Sue Ritman- Barry reported that Sue gave him some content for the Web site – “Top Ten Reason’s to live in Reservoir Park”- Four feet higher than Fourth and Main ☺
 - Stilz - Cynthia Thomas and Daniel Blandford
 - St. Joseph—Barb Bower

Committee Reports

- Comprehensive Planning – Barb Sinai- Cell Phone Tower at Village Manor; Barb read an email from C.J. Parrish (from Masonic Home and the CHCC Institutional Liaison); Matter is with the courts right now.
 - Barb moved that we authorize Greg Smith to speak to our attorney or do whatever is necessary to support the people in the neighborhood and the Masonic Home Property in opposition to the proposed placement of the cell tower. Seconded by Joe Ward. Motion passed.
- Beautification – Greg announced the Denise Peterson has stepped down as co-chair of this committee. He hasn’t gotten a chance to talk to Tim yet.
 - Some concerns about LG&E tree cutting on S. Galt
- Communication- Kenny Wooten
 - Working on the logo.
 - Getting their arms around the costs of the newsletter and trying to put some structure around it. Want to make it more lively/relevant, in line with the mission of the council.
 - Need a new newsletter editor.
 - Need a business editor- Finances/ Accounts Receivable.
 - Deadline for next issue is March 15th & will be sending out invitations for content. (300-500 words)
 - Need articles; FABA will regularly be submitting articles
- Fourth of July- Cathy Creech reported there is an Art Fair meeting on 3-21. Has received lots of applications. Confirmed we will have fireworks both nights.
- Membership – Walking group April 6th; meeting at Heine Brothers and will canvass St. Joe district (because the is Judy’s district ☺)
- Pedestrian Safety – Diana advised they (working with Tina’s office and Clifton and FABA) are looking at purchasing signs with messages around “Walk-able, Bike-able” trying to raise awareness ; Approximate cost of signs is \$300, but cost would be spread around. We, the CHCC has basically said “we’re in, but only if everyone else is in too.”

- Crime Prevention – Diana G. reported that lots of arrests, but same people are being arrested over and over because being released due to overcrowding. Major suggests you buy a small safe to keep your valuables in. With springtime, crime generally picks up. Report any suspicious activity to the police. 574-2111 or 574-7111
- Newsletter- Melissa reminded group that March 15th is the deadline for the May-June issue

Institutional Representatives (non-voting)

- Crescent Hill Library -Sally Suter
 - Sally reviewed a list of upcoming events/dates including:
 - EBay for beginners (3-19)
 - Author Forum (3-19 @ 7:00)
 - ACT Boot Camp (3-23)
 - Dan Brown streaming live from the Lincoln Center (5-15 @ 7:30)
 - There will be a sign up sheet for this.
 - Main library is having Genealogy Day
- Showed how library card gives access to eBooks. (Free)
- Melissa mentioned that there is a tutorial on Metro TV on eBooks that is really good.
 - E-magazines – Sally demonstrated how easy it is to use (160 available for free)
- PD House – Melissa Mershon
 - PD Yard Sale – July 13th
 - Details will be in the newsletter

General Announcements

- Lexington Road Clean up – March 9
- Frankfort Avenue Cleanup – April 13
- Easter Egg Hunt – March 30th
- Louisville East Lion's Club –Hot Dog/Chili Supper at School for the Blind—April 5th ; \$5.00
- Communications Committee – Standing Meeting before each board meeting
- District Representatives – Standing Meeting before each board meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 PM

NEXT MONTHLY CHCC MEETING- April 4th @ 7:30