NFCC Council Meeting Minutes

(6:36 PM): Meeting called to order by President Pamela Adams.

(6:37 PM): Prayer was led by Reverend Greenlea.

(6:39PM): Officer Gibson, District 3 Police

- -Provided update of current crime rates in the North Fairmount neighborhood. Overall crime has decreased and relatively low.
- -However there was an assault at 2527 Beekman Avenue with an arrest made. The victim was struck by assailant.
- -At 1716 Denham Street there was a burglary committed. The victims door was kicked in, an arrest was made.
- -A car on St. Leo and Baltimore was marked and will be towed.
- -"Smart 911" allows residents to provide confidential information and tips to the police about crime.
- -There are community concerns about possible gun fire on Carll Street. There are rumors of someone hunting deers, which may be the cause of the shootings.
- -Be sure to call 513-765-1212 (Non-emergencies) to report crime activity such as shootings.
- -Concerns of trash dumping on Pulte, this is a matter for the health department, anyone can call them to notify them of property dumping. The health department was notified about a residence at 1735 Pulte Street, the owner is going to court over this issue.
- *Remember that the ONLY thing you can dump on your property is landfill (dirt).

(6:52 PM): Judge Zayas

- -Serves as Judge on the court of appeals. She is the only democrat and first person of color to serve on this court.
- -She grew up with humble beginnings during the infamous crack era in New York City. This propelled her to strive for high success.
- -Apart of her service as Judge is to empower people through the court system. There are a total of 69 appeal judges but 88 counties, thus there are more counties than judges.
- -She works on a 3 judge panel, to ensure cases have a thorough and fair review.

(7:06 PM): Jim Boyle, *CRC*

- -There is a voucher program available for those who need it and would like access to the center. In addition there is also an adult program.
- -Fall hours: 10-9PM.
- -Space can be rented for special events, however alcohol is not permitted.
- -Membership fees: \$10 for 25 and under, \$10 for seniors.
- -You may also contact the center for more information.

(7:08PM): Tyla Ward, Working In Neighborhoods

- -She is a financial coordinator with "WIN."
- -Win is hosting home maintenance classes in Septmeber that specializes in how to fix things around your home; checking smoke detectors and how to use power tools.
- -There is a possibility of a couponing class to come in the future. Seniors and disabled individuals may send someone in their place to learn case they can't attend.
- -People Working Cooperatively is also a resource to help elders that can't help themselves.

(7:14PM) Community updates

- -North Fairmount was selected in the Blitz Design Project for a brochure to help advertise North Fairmount. On August 25th they will be helping to design the website, this meeting will likely be held at their offices "LPK."
- -The Pollinator Garden was awarded \$500 and must be spent by the end of this year. We will likely be awarded and additional \$2500 for next year. The \$500 will be used to purchase plants for next year.
- -Next Spring we will need a lot of help to help maintain the gardens. One will be placed on Baltimore Avenue. Help is also needed to help design the garden.
- -There is a vegetation garden at the St. Leo church to grow foods, but you must plant your own produce. This garden is not for random picking.
- -The 1st or 2nd week of September the painting of the stairs will begin.
- -Carolyn Crombie feels we need an audit of the financial report.
- -President Pamela assures the community that the books are balanced and required to be in order for the community to receive NSP funding.
- -The last day to spend funding is August 30th before 12PM.
- -The community is requesting to see an account of what has been spent.
- -There was a motion to present the treasury report for the next meeting. A total accounting of the treasury report was (\$8,063.46). A more detailed report is to be given on Thursday. Be sure to park in the food pantry lot, due to church services.
- -Ms. Pam stated that part of the funding goes towards sending flowers to family members of recently deceased members of the community. Mr. Jesse's store has a jar for donations.
- -A motion was passed to send Ms. Jackson flowers for her mother in law.

(7:50PM): Mr. Gibson, North Fairmount Community Center

- -A mobile medical van will show up every Tuesday at 1841 Fairmount Street. Various tests and screenings are given.
- -The community center is a separate entity from the council and does not need to be a member of the board. We have the same goals of moving the neighborhood forward.
- -vacant buildings are getting torn down due to crime activity, that they sometimes bring.
- -Use the *Fix It* cincy app for neighborhood issues such as potholes.
- -We may need a committee to stay on top of the vacant lots by contacting the city.
- -You can contact the city's demolition inspector for demolished plots.
- -There was a motion to have a committee made to address the blighted property issue (However no one volunteered to take part in it).
- -A motion was made to address the committee Thursday.