



northwest CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Minutes

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 – 7:00 PM

Northwest Church of the Nazarene (5707 Olentangy River Road) *and* Zoom

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Pledge

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the October meeting minutes made by Kyle, seconded by Steve, and approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report presented by Steve

Motion to accept Report made by Marilyn, seconded by Kyle, and approved unanimously.

Community Mic – this meeting item allows community members to tell us what is on their minds and bring forward ideas for community enhancement.

Membership: Jay Shapiro (Associate member)

Guest Speaker:

Kyle Andrews, Alzheimer's Association/Central Ohio Chapter Community Educator, shared how signs of normal aging differ from signs of Dementia, and the Ten Warning Signs of Dementia. He offered information on free programs and services available to the Community. To learn more, go to www.alz.org or call 800-272-3900.

City Reports

Police Department Liaison: Officer Timothy Montgomery (TMontgomery@columbuspolice.org, 614-645-1417) – Officer Montgomery gave a report on crime in the 17th precinct, which does not include the whole NWCA area.

Fire Department: Captain Bryan Coffman, (BJCoffman@columbus.gov), or Lt. Michael Fetch (FetchM@columbus.gov) – No report

Neighborhood Liaison: Rebecca Deeds (rededeeds@columbus.gov)

- The City of Columbus Division of Refuse Collection will host drive-thru drop-off sites after Halloween for residents to sustainably dispose of pumpkins and gourds. Carved jack-o-lanterns with candles removed, full and moldy pumpkins, and gourds are acceptable to drop off for composting. Pumpkins decorated with paint or permanent marker cannot be accepted. The pumpkin drop-off sites will operate on three Saturdays — Nov. 4, Nov. 25, and Dec. 2 — from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Columbus Refuse Collection transfer station at 4260 Morse Rd.
- Residents can take their election signs to the Bill McDonald Athletic Complex, 4990 Olentangy River Rd, from 8 a.m. to noon on November 11.
All paper, plastic and coroplast signs (including metal stands) will be accepted and recycled.

- Zone In Columbus Survey: Please take the Zoning survey to share your opinions on the zoning code update process @ <https://zone-in-columbus.hub.arcgis.com/> - click "Take the Survey"
- Application for the 2024 New American Leadership Academy (NALA) training is now available. The bi-monthly sessions will begin in March 2024 and end in November 2024. Applications will be accepted now through November 17, 2023.

Columbus City Council Liaison: Harrison Poku-Yeboah (HAPoku-Yeboah@columbus.gov)

- City Council President Pro Tem Rob Dorans is promoting a project to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Harrison reported on recent initiatives by City Councilmembers Nicholas Bankston, Mitchell Brown, Shayla Favor, and Emmanuel Remy.

Committee Reports

Streets, Safety, and Code Enforcement Committee (Chair Kyle Marcum)

- Bike+ Program Survey - The City of Columbus still wants to know more about your experience biking, scooting & skating. Learn more and take the survey at www.tinyurl.com/BikePlus614.
- The Ohio Department of Transportation, along with regional partners at the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission and Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments, continue to work on the Route 23 Connect Study. This study is to improve traffic flow between the Columbus and Toledo regions. These concepts aim to provide safer and more efficient travel, including increased travel time reliability for through traffic. This project is currently within its public commenting period @ <https://publicinput.com/23connect#0>.
- Columbus Code Enforcement no longer patrols the city. It is Columbus 311 complaint driven. If you have a complaint, please report it through 311.

Zoning Committee (Chair Monica Dorman Tuttle)

- There will be three zonings next month.
- The 5925 Sawmill application (former location of a Mexican restaurant) for a car wash was approved by the Development Commission. It has not yet gone to City Council.
- Both the 919 Old Henderson and 980 Old Henderson applications were approved by the Development Commission. They have not yet gone to City Council.

Old Business

The Trustees held a meeting on how to increase membership. Monica shared some of the ideas.

New Business

None

Adjourn: 8:30 pm