

The Northland Community Council

General Meeting: April 2, 2019

Meeting Minutes & Attendance Report

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Met requirements for Quorum: Yes

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Attendance Report

2019 Perfect Attendance	13/24	Suspended From Voting	0/24
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2019 GENERAL MEETING ATTENDANCE

MEMBER	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Albany Park	X	X	X	X								
Asherton Grove	X	X	1	X								
Blendon Chase	X	X	X	X								
Blendon Woods	1	2	X	1								
Clinton Estates	X	X	1	X								
Cooper Woods	X	X	X	X								
Devonshire	X	X	X	X								
Forest Park	X	X	X	X								
Friendship Village	X	X	X	X								
Karmel Woodward Pk	X	X	X	X								
Lee & Ulry	1	X	X	X								
Maize Morse Tri-Area	X	X	X	1								
Minerva Park	X	X	X	X								
Northland Alliance	1	X	X	X								
NABA	1	X	X	X								
Parkshire Commons	X	X	X	X								
Preston Commons	X	X	X	X								
The Village of Preston Woods	X	X	N/A	N/A								
Rolling Ridge	X	1	X	X								
Salem	X	X	X	X								
Sharon Woods	X	X	X	X								
Strawberry Farms	X	X	X	X								
Waltham	X	X	X	1								
Woodstream East	1	2	X	X								

KEY	SUSPENDED & MISSED	SUSPENDED & ATTENDED	GOOD STANDING	NUMBERS DENOTE CONSECUTIVE MISSES
	SUSPENSION (voting privileges forfeiture)	A MEMBER IN GREEN HAS PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR		A MEMBER IN RED TEXT HAS BEEN NOTIFIED OF EXPULSION ELIGIBILITY

<p>Roll Call</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roll was taken. See above chart for details. • Alicia presented an award to Kevin Parks from ThisWeek News
<p>Liaison Reports</p>	
<p>Columbus Metro Library (<i>Andrea Villanueva</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We had 5,000 kids participate in the winter reading challenge. This was our first year. • Carnegie Author Series, Craig Johnson will be there May 5 2pm
<p>Columbus Fire</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
<p>Police (<i>Scott Clinger, Larry Geis, Eric Jones, Rick Foster of CRT</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light Columbus Blue is going on through April. There are 24 free blue light bulbs. • The non-emergency line was spoofed (614-645-4545) and the scam was calling saying they were collecting electric bills. People are even getting calls from their own name and number. Make sure you know who you are talking to. • If someone wants you to buy Google Play cards to pay an outstanding IRS debt. If you don't pick up the phone, you will fall off the list. If you fall for something, you will end up on lots of call lists. There is a fraud and forgery investigative division at Columbus Police. • There are still a lot of car break-ins, especially unlocked cars. • Community Response Team – This is a police team that does not take calls for service, but goes out to address violent areas, drug problems, etc.
<p>City Attorney</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
<p>Northland Area Business Association (<i>Dave Cooper</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 161 Clean Up Schedule is published and emailed. We can send it as a PDF if you want to add it to your neighborhood newsletter. • NABA Luncheon June 11, Speaker is Nadia Kasvin from UsTogether, the Topic is How immigrants and refugees represent economic opportunity.
<p>Alfred Akaiinyah (<i>City Liaison/Department of Neighborhoods</i>)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Felix, there is a stop sign that is being hidden by a bush. I'd like a light on the stop sign – the red border around it. • Mary, off of Parkville and 161, the semi trucks are starting to park along there on Tuftsville. You can't see oncoming traffic. The truck parking is becoming an increasing problem as truck drivers have to stop driving when they reach their time limit or they will lose their license. • Pat, in Salem people are beginning to talk about the street light opportunity. We would like to know if there is some way to light the streets with minimal spillage to support environmental "dark sky" efforts.
<p>Roundtable Best Practices for Civic Associations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharon Woods: Civic Association garage sale. A lot of civics have garage sales, but we allow people to drop off items and we sell it and keep about \$500 each year from this. Also our membership is \$10/\$12 and we mention what we do, and then we ask for an additional donation. We get about \$1,000 (almost more than from the dues) in donations. • It's hard to go door-to-door. People don't answer. We have four newsletters a year and always have an application. If they do join multiple times, we don't refund it. • Salem: To increase our membership, we're revitalizing our website. We have 460 people in the Facebook Group, but only 160 paid members of the association. We did a survey on Facebook, too. More than 100 people who never posted anything on Facebook said they would join if there were an

	<p>electronic way to join.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preston Commons: We use group texting for our small 22 member group. We do digital collection. It's much simpler. • Strawberry Farms had a organization who said we can help landscape and clean up litter, and at the same time our volunteers were out there cleaning up leaves, we put out a call for donations for flowers and mulch and we received more than \$100 in donations and five new members. • Volunteers need cultivated. If they volunteer and no one contacts them, they will go away or be resentful. • Newsletter advertising is a source of revenue. • A raffle can raise money. If you are not a 501c3 nonprofit, you can ask Northland Alliance if they will be the fiscal agent to pass it through. • Alicia – There are people who are willing to help but they don't know they are needed. • Felix – Our neighborhood is huge, but we felt our messaging was not quite on target. One thing I'm seeing to reach more into the community is using our newsletter to put out a message about our membership goals and getting people thinking about what we can do with a certain amount of membership and engagement. We screen people from our private Facebook group to make sure people really live here, and then we are able to ask for volunteers there. • When we have new residents at meetings, we go around and introduce ourselves and ask if they have questions. Make the new people feel welcome. • You can repeat requests for support and new members all the time. You can't do it too more. • Lee/Ulry – We invited a local landscaping company to speak about the best trees for screening, and offered a discount if people bought something from them. We invite the police. • Northland Bridges – A new concept to link younger people willing to volunteer with older people who need assistance. It's part of a national movement called Village Connections. • Scott: All of the civics who are active have a need to move into the 21st Century. Could the civics put on a workshop or something to show us how to do it? • Felix: Can we use Zelle to pay an organization? Scott: we could do it at an NCC meeting. Alice agreed to work with Scott.
NCC Officer Reports	
<p>Treasurer Felix Quachey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have dues coming in. We had \$1,095 in dues income in March. We had a few parade expenses from last year and storage. • Audit meeting April 6 to go over the accounts with the audit committee.
<p>Secretary Alice Foeller</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes have been provided in advance of the meeting. Are there any corrections to the minutes? Hearing no corrections, the minutes have been approved by unanimous consent.
<p>Vice President Roger Davidson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blendon Park was on roll call, but they removed themselves. Alice updated.
<p>President Alicia Ward</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As part of the annual plan for NCC, Alicia reiterated that she will be representing NCC as a supporter of Elevate Northland, which just received its 501c3 status. We have an Elevate Northland Business Academy already going at Ashland, doing great work. • The audit committee is meeting Saturday.

NCC Committee Reports	
<p>Banquet Committee Alicia Ward, Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Banquet tickets are available at the NCC website. Invitations will be in the mail soon. \$35/person The Banquet will be May 9 at Little Turtle.
<p>Independence Day Parade Committee northlandparade.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roger has agreed to chair the committee, and will work with Scott. The Many Faces of Northland, United We Stand Next meeting is April 27 at 10a at the Kroger on Morse Road. Please make sure someone from your civic association attends. Attendance dropped a little between the first meeting and the second. This is a big deal.
<p>Audit & Budget Committee Roger Davidson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These committees will be meeting in April and will report back in May.
<p>Development Committee Dave Paul, Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shredding day has not yet been set up. People prefer to have things shredded on site, but our previous vendor wants to drive it to their facility (Fireproof) to shred there. Emmanuel may be able to work with his staff to revive an event this spring. <p>March 27 Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case 1 cinder block building that is being used as a salon on Cleveland Avenue would like to be make it into a two-unit residential rental. It was tabled because they weren't ready. Case 2 Miller's Ale House at Morse Crossing near Walmart and Best Buy. Graphics request to have a large wall sign in addition to the ground sign. We recommended in favor with some reduction in the amount of signage. Case 3 Former Monaco's Palace has been operating as church and food pantry. Variance requested for parking requirements for a church. They had already done what we usually ask them to do, which is to form an agreement with neighbors. We supported that. Case 4 Cell Tower – Request to erect a cell tower at 4665 Westerville Rd near the soccer fields, which are curiously zoned residential. They didn't have sufficient setback distance. Their variance to reduce the setback was recommended. Case 5 Swenson's Drive-in Restaurant, 5720 Hamilton Rd. Request to increase parking and operate drive-in. Since there is a residential community behind it, we recommended approval with conditions that exterior site lighting abide by restrictions, that there be 65 instead of 70 parking spaces, and that they work in good faith with neighboring properties to reduce noise, traffic, etc. Case 6 PetSuites, 5495 N Hamilton. Recommended approval for a sign in place of a window. Case 7: Haimerl Center repurpose to Laundromat. (Look-see)
<p>Sidewalk Issue Rick Cashman</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rick gave a presentation on the situation with sidewalks on Ulry Road. There are 30 miles of sidewalks and trails in the community, but they are not connected, and it would only take one mile of sidewalk to connect all of it to the neighborhoods. Development fees from builders and support from the parks could be a source of income to fund the project. Rick asked for support from the NCC. There was a motion to approve NCC's support of the Ulry Sidewalk Proposition. The motion passed unanimously. It was recommended that Rick present this to NABA also.
<p>Questions</p>	

Meeting Adjourned: 8:40 PM**NCC Officer contact**

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