



March 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes

2020 GENERAL MEETING ATTENDANCE												
MEMBER	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Albany Park	X	X	X									
Asherton Grove	X	X	X									
Blendon Chase	X	X	X									
Blendon Woods	0	X	X									
Clinton Estates	X	1	X									
Cooperwoods	X	X	X									
Devonshire	X	X	X									
Elevate Northland			X									
Forest Park	X	X	X									
Friendship Village	X	X	X									
Karmel Woodward Pk	X	X	X									
Lee & Ulry	1	X	X									
Maize Morse Tri-Area	X	X	X									
Minerva Park	X	X	X									
Northland Alliance	X	X	X									
NABA	X	X	X									
Parkshire Commons	X	X	X									
Preston Commons	X	X	X									
Rolling Ridge	X	X	X									
Salem	X	X	X									
Sharon Woods	X	X	X									
Strawberry Farms	X	X	X									
Woodstream East	X	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

Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm
Roll Call	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alice Foeller
Liaison Reports	
Columbus Fire Department Station 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report
City Attorney's Office Sara Pomeroy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City planned to object to the renewal of use permits for Motel 6, Morse Rd., Extended Stay America and Norwood Inn and Suites. For each we were able to negotiate a deal where in exchange for us

	<p>withdrawing our objection, we have a case against them so that we can enforce the law against them and force them to improve their security measures. Those three will continue operating.</p>
<p>Columbus Police Department Officers Scott Clinger / Larry Geis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 21st Block Watch Meeting for Block Watch Coordinators and anyone else who can attend • Officer Jones did find the report of child enticement (reported at last NCC meeting) by someone in a car in the northeast area. There was no one apprehended and it did not happen again. • Precinct is moving up to Sancus Blvd in the coming months.
<p>FACT & Consider Biking David Roseman</p>	<p><i>(sent via email)</i> Morse Road, per Columbus Dept. Public Services, Design Division:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The SUP (shared use path) will be along the south side of Morse Road from Seward to approximately 400' east of LBrands/Hap-Creman Water Plant Drive. It will be advertised this year with construction to be complete by December, 2021. 2. Still planning to extend the bike lanes on Morse to the east between Sunbury and Stelzer with the Morse resurfacing project. This is scheduled for 2021 and is being coordinated with a sewer project. <p>Urban Forestry Master Plan open house Wednesday, March 4, from 6-8 p.m. at Wyandot Lodge at 3228 Indian Village Road, Columbus to talk about trees.</p> <p>Columbus Recreation and Parks Department is creating the Urban Forestry Master Plan, which will help preserve, maintain and increase our tree canopy. All input will be used to develop the plan so your attendance is crucial.</p> <p>Tell us: Should we have more trees? Where do we need them? What are our biggest hurdles for improving tree canopy in Columbus? What does your neighborhood need?</p> <p>A Facebook event for the open house is here: https://www.facebook.com/events/291889975102877/.</p> <p>Everyone is invited to stop by anytime. There will be a brief presentation at 6:30 p.m. about Columbus' current tree canopy.</p> <p>RSVP if you'd like via https://www.columbusufmp.org/updates.html.</p> <p>If you can't attend, feel free to fill out this survey and share your thoughts here: https://www.columbusufmp.org/get-involved.html.</p>
<p>Columbus Public Library Liaison Keith Hanson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3/25/20 3:30-4:30 Groundbreaking Event – all are invited Karl Rd. Library for that event. The main entrance of the building will move to the back of the building during the construction. • Waiting for the ground to thaw to look for the time capsule. The maintenance worker who has been there from the beginning is confident he can find it.
<p>Northland Area Business Association Dave Cooper</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter Clean-Up schedule published on 161ttaskforce.org Please join us once a month, and publish in your newsletters and share with volunteer groups. • Market Study Presentation occurred last week and the full publication will be available soon. • Pat Tiberi Luncheon Speaker March 10 – all are invited. RSVP here.
<p>Columbus Northeast Lions Club Irwin Hott 614-263-5319 and Lisa Stackel 614-598-7516</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please drop off old eyeglasses at the library. We recycle about 8,000 eyeglasses per year. Rick's 1 Auto on Oakland Park Ave. near Karl is a dropbox location. He is also a Lion, so please support his business if you need a car mechanic.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking for drivers on May 8 for our annual Mother’s Day rose sale. Drivers are needed to deliver roses Friday May 8. • We support the Special Olympics, the last full weekend of June, and could use more volunteers. • Our meetings are 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Please call ahead as the location changes. Email or call with questions. • We’ve had some members pass away, and we’re running into a lower membership. Some of us who can’t see obviously don’t drive. So we are looking for volunteers to help.
<p>City of Columbus Community Liaison Alfred Akainyah aaakainyah@columbus.gov</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please report any issues to 311, because it makes it much easier for us to track the outcome. • Please email Alfred your civic association meeting information. It would help the city also to know which associations are active.
Selected Discussions	
<p>Round Table Discussion CM Remy - Columbus State and the Issue 21 Bond Issue</p> <p>Joe Rettof, Campaign for Issue 21, 614-266-5238 CitizensForColumbusState.com</p>	<p>Emmanuel personally saved money going to Columbus State for part of his degree. It is currently \$108/credit hour compared to \$325 for a four-year public college, \$647 - \$1,000 for private university.</p> <p>There is a proposed .65 mill levy. Or \$2/month for every 100,000 of home value.</p> <p>Columbus State has never asked for a levy before. They receive state funding but they have \$385 million of capital needs that are in arrears. This levy will generate \$300 million to assist over 20 years. They need to upgrade and update their classrooms.</p> <p>Last night the City Council passed a resolution to support this levy. It’s important for our community to have an asset like Columbus State in our region.</p> <p>Q: Why should Franklin County have to pay when it serves the whole state?</p> <p>A: The bulk of the students come from here in Franklin County. This is our community asset, training our kids who come from our city schools.</p> <p>The funding from the state has dwindled. If we as taxpayers say this is important to us, we have to say that we are willing to pay.</p> <p>Q: Did they look at raising tuition?</p> <p>A: Affordability for students is one of the most important things. Many Columbus State students have zero student debt and that’s good.</p> <p>Q: If it’s an unsustainable model and they can’t stay in the black, why would we want to prop that up?</p> <p>A: This is more of a facilities campaign. They are currently using operating funds to invest in facilities, but not keeping up.</p> <p>Q: The zoo gives Franklin County residents a discount. What kind of discount is Columbus State going to give Franklin County students since we are funding it?</p> <p>A: Unlike many other community colleges, we have not (for the past 45 years) been allowed to go to the ballot. Because we were considered</p>

“regional.” So our downtown campus would be receiving all of the funds. The classrooms are not ADA compliant.

Q: Where did the funds come from to start Columbus State (formerly CTI)

A: We don't know that.

For current operations, tuition, grants, and \$5 million from the state are current operating funds.

Q: Would this set a precedent, where now other colleges and universities will try to levy a tax?

A: When the city is looking to do specific job training, we go to Columbus State. They are a great asset. Those are the things I weigh in my mind. No, private colleges have no standing to levy a tax, and Ohio State is highly unlikely to do so, since they have plenty of funding.

Q: (Margaret Delongchamp) My son has been able to pay his way through and have it be affordable as he goes on to law school. On the downtown campus, a lot hasn't changed in decades. There's not enough room for the students who want to go there. Students can't get into classes. Anyone can go to Columbus State. You don't have to have a certain test score. That's really valuable. I'm in support of it. If they don't update the labs, they could lose their accreditation in the medical programs.

Q: Is this a levy or a bond issue? Is it capital or operating costs?

A: This is capital issue. It will be backed by bonds, but they will levy a tax to issue them.

Discussion: It doesn't cost enough money to justify some kind of discounts for Franklin County residents. You either choose to accept the tax or vote against it.

Q: Why are we asking homeowners to pay for this instead of the people who are benefitting, such as the corporations.

A: Mitchell Hall, for example, had a large private donation, in partnership with county, city and state funds.

Q: You have to talk about more than what is needed by the students. You need to show what the corporations, the city, the county and the state are also doing.

A: This is a facilities/capital issue.

Q: We have more renters than homeowners. So homeowners are unfairly shouldering the burden and the city could do more to support homeowners.

A: (Joe Rettorf) My only path to an equitable income from a labor job to a living wage and middle class and homeownership was community college. This is an opportunity to get more people into that homeowner status, because 75% of the students stay in Central Ohio. We need people to make more money to help lessen the burden.

	<p>Q: (Scott Dowling) The company that owns my company (Crane Group > ABLE Roofing) contributes to Columbus State. We need all the opportunities we can for people who are interested in trades and for people who aren't confident they will major in something that they can actually get a job in later.</p> <p>A: (Joe Rettof) Some of the trade groups and apprenticeships have working partnerships with Columbus State to support their existing training with the curriculum.</p>
NCC Officer Reports	
<p>Treasurer Felix Quachey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Felix reported a near resolution for handling some complexities with a separate banquet account. ● We paid a deposit to the banquet facility. ● We paid storage for July 4 parade supplies
<p>Secretary Alice Foeller</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Minutes are accepted into the record from last month, revisions and corrections having been entered into the final version.
<p>Vice President Roger Davidson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No Report
<p>President Alicia Ward</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Market Study on 161: The purpose of the study was to help the city to have already completed the research when someone is looking for a site for their business. The results reveal some interesting statistics. Safety and security concerns around the Beechcroft Center were the major safety concern. Many other areas did not have concerns about safety. There are concerns about business visibility, because it's difficult to see what businesses are there when you are driving by at 50mph and the businesses are set back so far from the road. It is not very walkable, and won't be reconstructed for 10 years. They were discussing using large plots of empty parking at Columbus Square and the Continent, which were empty even when those centers were at their peak. Ideas were for apartments or smaller retail. They are considering different types of apartment housing to accommodate multi-generational families who want to be housed together. Also some younger people also want to have private rooms and bathrooms but shared kitchen space. This may be a new model for apartment living, more like an upscale college dorm. Alicia suggested a grant program to help businesses with façade improvements. The housing expert will be coming to be a guest speaker to NCC. There will also be additional meetings pursuant to the Market Study. ● If we can get better landscaping installed as part of the intersection redesign, would the civic associations be willing to take care of them? Sharon Woods: We don't have the volunteer capacity. Lions Club said they would be willing to take it to their clubs and ask. Other suggestions: You can also do hardscaping with rocks and such. A mosaic or something. ● March 11: From 11-7 at The Mix restaurant will donate 10% of sales will go to Elevate Northland ● Mindset of an Entrepreneur, April 9, 2020; 6:30-8pm Ashland University ● Elevate Northland: The owner of Graves Piano decided not to sell the building, in the midst of renegotiating the purchase contract. It was quite a blow because we had taken numerous people from city and state institutions through the building to show them our vision. We don't want to lose our momentum. If you know of a place in Northland (20,000 square feet) that is for sale or rent, please let us know.

NCC Committee Reports	
Independence Day Parade Committee Web site is northlandparade.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10:30 AM, Saturday, March 7th at Kroger on 1745 Morse Road in the 2nd floor meeting room ● The 2020 forms for sponsorships or parade registration are up on the website. We are working on getting it fillable with online payment. We have a vehicle for the Grand Marshals. We are working on donors and sponsors.
Banquet Committee Alicia Ward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● April 23rd at Little Turtle. Forms due by March 16th.
Development Committee Dave Paul, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We had three cases, summarized in the description. ● March 25 is the next meeting with four cases on the agenda.
Graphics and Code Task Force Bill Logan, Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No report
Additional Discussions	
Other Old Business	●
Other New Business	●
Open Forum Comments, Announcements	●

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