



Jan 5, 2021 Meeting Minutes

2021 GENERAL MEETING ATTENDANCE												
MEMBER	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Albany Park	X											
Asherton Grove	X											
Blendon Chase	X											
Blendon Woods	6											
Clinton Estates	X											
Cooperwoods	X											
Devonshire	X											
Elevate Northland	X											
Forest Park	X											
Friendship Village	X											
Karmel Woodward Pk	X											
Lee & Ulry	1											
Little Turtle	2											
Maize Morse Tri-Area	X											
Minerva Park	X											
Northland Alliance	X											
NABA	1											
Parkshire Commons	X											
Preston Commons	X											
Rolling Ridge	1											
Salem	X											
Sharon Woods	X											
Strawberry Farms	X											
Woodstream East	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"> Meeting called to order at 7p with the Pledge of Allegiance. Alice Foeller (see roster for attendance) 31 total Zoom attendees. Little Turtle representative RSVP'd that she would be unable to attend due to illness but will be back next month. Pat Hare was introduced as the new representative for Asherton Grove.
<p>Liaison Reports</p>	

<p>Columbus Police Department Officers Scott Clinger / Larry Geis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of package thefts on 18th precinct. Our investigator is following up on leads of license plates, but the one we have is stolen plates. If anyone has video of package thefts, please send it in. • People warming up their cars and leaving them unlocked – they have been stolen. They suggest get a remote car starter. • Suzanne – Her check was stolen out of a blue mailbox outside of the post office in Raintree Center at 161 and Cleveland. It was whitewashed and rewritten resulting in a \$4,000 theft. The police advised not using the blue boxes, but rather take them inside. • John Kirkpatrick – Want to thank them for chasing off the semi and car haulers from Beechcroft. • Felix asked about the Ohio Stand Your Ground law and asked if there were any conversations starting or tips we need to be made aware of. A lot of folks are concerned about this new law. It’s not going into effect for 90 days. The police and prosecutors office had not had time to research the new law yet and didn’t have any comment. They will get back to us. • Lighting at Woodward Park – A lot of times the park folks will get with me and look at the reported crime near a park and the lights and will take into account our recommendations for more light, if that’s what we recommend. In Woodward Park, the park is tricky because it’s right next to residential houses. People also need to report all the crime so that can inform our recommendations. When we wanted to limit the use of the park at night, there was a lot of objection to that. • Officer Eric Jones is doing well and recovered but will be officially retire Jan. 15. Larry and Scott are sharing the liaison duties, but after Eric retires, they will fill the job and then that will be a new liaison.
<p>City Attorneys Office Sarah Pomeroy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 hotel objections in the city, but only two in Northland. Hometown Suites on Quarterhorse Drive and also the Red Roof Inn on Sinclair, but we had also filed a lawsuit against them. • We are also doing the enforcement for Covid violations for bars and restaurants. We’ve filed eight actions across the city total for those who have repeatedly violated many of the provisions for social distancing, etc. We ask them to come to court and develop a plan. The east side “Aftermath” that had a 500-person concert. One on the North Side, Buckeye Crazy, had a few warning letters. They are under a preliminary order to follow the rules while we work out a long term plan. • Bill Logan: Karl and 161 – a male/female couple who are panhandling in the right of way and they have set up a tent and we are told there’s nothing the city can do. They are approaching people in their cars without masks and getting belligerent if people don’t give them money. The tent is in front of the Sonoco station by the advertising bench. Police: A few months ago, we were directed that the panhandlers are allowed in the median. Bill: We are going to take the issue to city council because it’s not reasonable and it’s affecting public safety.
<p>FACT & Consider Biking David Roseman</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
<p>Columbus Public Library Liaison Keith Hanson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
<p>Northland Area Business Association Dave Cooper</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December’s luncheon was on Zoom featuring Kevin Wheeler. It was successful and we had some new

	<p>businesses attend. A video of the event is available here.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elevate Northland and NABA are collaborating on a directory of Northland Businesses. We have an intern who will be helping, but if anyone would like to volunteer to add businesses to a website, please reach out. We could use the help.
<p>City of Columbus Community Liaison Alfred Akainyah aaakainyah@columbus.gov</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whispering Oaks, residents were notified to vacate the premises. We are going to call the management and find out what's going on. • We have had lots of reports of package thefts. Please send any information you have. • John Kirkpatrick: there are at least seven streetlights out on Beechcroft Rd. I've done 311 weekly and also called the Dept of lighting, and nothing has happened.
<p>Columbus Community Engagement Sandra R. López srlopez@columbus.gov</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
<p>Roundtable Discussion Alicia Baker Ohio Community Engagement Manager for FindHelp.org (Aunt Bertha, the Social Care Network) abaker@auntbertha.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our website is for people who need support with anything. You can create an account for free. You can type in a zip code. For example, in 43231, we have more than 2,000 programs available. Food and housing are the most frequently searched, but there are also education programs. You can filter by locations that are open late, or what languages are spoken. (The entire site can be translated into more than 100 languages.) • You can also use the Save button to create a folder of resources and it will be a resource list for you that will be automatically updated. And it's possible to share the whole folder by email or as a link on the web. • It was started by someone who had to navigate the system to get support with caregiving for their mother from a young age. "Aunt Bertha" is based on Aunt Bertha picks off where Uncle Sam leaves off. • Bill Logan: How do we address the issue of the elderly living alone and dying without anyone knowing. She recommended searching for elderly care to find programs to help people get connected to each other and to agencies who can check on them. • Fred Helser encouraged everyone to share this resource with their churches for when people come seeking help.
<p>NCC Officer Reports</p>	
<p>Treasurer Felix Quachey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Felix presented the treasurer's report, summarizing all of 2020. \$4902.38 is the balance in our operating account. \$6065.22 in the parade account. \$840 in the banquet account. • Clinton Estates – check might have gotten lost in the mail • Blendon Woods also missing. Those are the only two that we didn't receive 2020 dues. • We waived the banquet assessment in 2020, but some had already paid it. If we have a banquet this year, those civics will not have to pay it again. We don't know yet whether the civics will be asked to pay the banquet assessment for 2021 yet – needs to be discussed. • Felix has been unable to get access to online banking for the banquet account because it requires Felix receiving a debit card that keeps being returned in the mail. He has requested it again and hopefully it will come through. They were also charging a monthly fee because the signatories didn't match

	<p>all of the other accounts to be able to use a common minimum balance. Felix got those fees waived.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The only expense we have ongoing is \$11/mo for a storage locker for parade supplies.
<p>Secretary Alice Foeller</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes for the November meeting were issued in December. Hearing no objections, the minutes are entered into the record. • Blendon Woods only attended three times last year. Their representative said he wasn't getting the emails. However the meeting link is on the calendar on the website under NCC Calendar.
<p>Vice President Roger Davidson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report
<p>President Alicia Ward</p>	<p>Banquet Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion is to not have the assessment this year since we are unlikely to be allowed to have a banquet. There was a unanimous vote agreeing to suspend the banquet assessment for 2021.
<p>NCC Committee Reports</p>	
<p>Development Committee Dave Paul, Chair</p>	<p>The combined November/December meeting had a heavy agenda.</p> <p>Kurtz Bros. there was a paragraph written in that if they proposed to change the physical attributes of the site, they needed to come back to NCC. The city noticed this while curing some code violations and sent them to us for their final site compliance plan. It made sense what they were trying to do and we agreed to allow it to move forward to the city.</p> <p>National Church Residences – 4836 Cleveland Ave. Proposing a multi-family senior living facility. They received a council variance to get funding from Ohio Housing Finance Agency. We are generally supportive of the project, but we were very concerned because of the density doubling from what was proposed last year when we supported the variance. The vote was to not support the application. In discussions with NCR they have asked to workshop with our members and see what we are willing to work with them on.</p> <p>Scioto Materials on Westerville Road (has an asphalt plant). Because they are taking in asphalt to recycle, they are operating as a salvage yard under the code. This imposes limitations they don't feel they can meet. They were seeking a variance from this code. Our committee did not support their proposals. It was a fairly contentious application.</p> <p>Menerey – sign for an apartment on an Aldi sign. We recommended against an off-premises.</p> <p>Sheetz graphic variance. Recommended approval.</p> <p>Request to install sign at the Busch Corporate Center to ID current corporate tenant. We supported the application.</p> <p>Request to add all signs to the new OhioHealth facility at Hamilton to be named for the Hondros family and the building identity. We supported this application.</p> <p>5438 N Hamilton Rd. We tabled this signage request for Bank of America.</p>

	<p>In general, we are seeing a big crush of cases. A lot of things were on hold because of Covid, and now they are wanting to get busy. We have many cases on the docket for Jan/Feb.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question from the floor: Natalie James. My parents are living in Sharon Woods and I'm concerned there are no major grocery stores on 161 anymore. I was wondering if anyone has given consideration or planning to this. Dave Paul response: We all agree, we had the Giant Eagle, etc. We unfortunately are somewhat at the mercy of grocery chains. When we express concern, they say "Oh that's only 4-5 miles away," which doesn't work for people who don't have cars. We encourage them to come, but they are tending to move to more fashionable areas. There's been talk about financial incentives for retail on 161. We probably won't be able to restart that conversation until later this year. NABA and Elevate Northland are both concerned about it, but we don't hold too many cards.
<p>Nomination John Kirkpatrick, Chair</p>	<p>President, Vice President and Treasurer have agreed to run again. We are looking for a secretary.</p>
<p>Graphics and Code Task Force Bill Logan, Coordinator</p>	<p>I-71 at pedestrian crossing – major graffiti has been reported to ODOT. They don't have the means to repaint in the winter, so it may be there a little while. Winter means fewer illegal signs.</p> <p>Code: Commercial vehicles in residential driveways and graphics violations along 161 and Morse Road. With Covid, people may not show up for their hearing and it is referred to city attorney's office and right now they aren't pursuing misdemeanors. So we just keep reminding people they are in violation and to respect their neighbors.</p>

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