

# The Northland Community Council

General Meeting: July 1, 2025

Meeting Minutes & Attendance Report

Met requirements for Quorum: Yes

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## Attendance Report

2025 Perfect Attendance

Suspended From Voting

### 2025 GENERAL MEETING ATTENDANCE – NEEDS EDITED

MEMBER	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Albany Park							X					
Asherton Grove							X					
Blendon Chase							X					
Clinton Estates							-					
Devonshire							X					
Elevate Northland							X					
Forest Park							X					
Karmel Woodward Pk							X					
Lee & Ulry							X					
Little Turtle							X					
Maize Morse Tri-Area							X					
Minerva Park							X					
Northland Alliance							X					
North Village							X					
NABA							X					
Peppertree							X					
Preston Commons							X					
Rolling Ridge							X					
Salem							X					
Sharon Woods							X					
Strawberry Farms							X					
Trouville							-					
Waltham							X					
Westerwood							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

**Meeting Minutes****Meeting Called to Order: 7:03 PM**

<b>Roll Call</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Roll was taken. See above chart for details.</li></ul>
<b>Liaison Reports</b>	
<b>Police</b> (Officer Yandrich, Officer Barbeau)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Make sure your National Night Out forms in. Police will provide some free items for your event.</li><li>• Columbus Police had a short summer camp for kids. There is another one in July for older kids.</li><li>• Lots of auto thefts and auto burglaries. Residents can use Lexis-Nexis Community Crime Map to access this themselves and then can ask follow up questions of Officer Yandrich.</li><li>• Sunday Northland High School two young adults were struck by lightening. They were in their 20s. One was in critical condition. They were playing soccer.</li><li>• Cooper Road – a juvenile pedestrian was hit by two different cars, was severely injured</li><li>• Tanker fire at 161 and 270 – tanker was hit or cut off by a pickup truck. Two fire departments were required to put it out.</li><li>• Highest property crimes for the month were in Zone 1. (Car burglaries) all at hotels, Hampton Inn at Stelzer, Hilton Gardens at Sunbury and Morse. We had a special patrol trying to catch kids breaking into cars at hotels. In another incident, a lady's purse was stolen.</li><li>• Cooling centers are open in periods of high heat.</li><li>• The “newest thing” is kids taking over the pools in swarms. If you have a pool, the police are having us go out and making sure the people in charge know about it. It's the apartment complex pools and condos that are being hit. It's everywhere. Member: In Little Turtle, we called 911 and police arrived right away and the kids scattered. They post it on social media and make it a party.</li><li>• What are the laws about fireworks? You're not supposed to do it. But with everyone doing it, it's hard to enforce. In Columbus it is illegal to set them off. If you have a neighbor that you know is probably going to set off a big display, our arson unit can be assigned and confiscate the goods and write tickets. Call Officer Yandrich ahead of time. At the time it's happening, call the police instead of 311 for this, because the police have to witness it.</li></ul>
<b>City Attorney</b> (Steve Dunbar, Property Action Team Zone 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not present</li></ul>
<b>Friends of Alum Creek &amp; Consider Biking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not present</li></ul>

<i>(David Roseman)</i>	
<b>Columbus Metro Library</b> <i>(Brandon Thomas)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not present</li> </ul>
<b>Northland Area Business Association</b> <i>(Craig Buckingham)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">NABA Luncheon</a> occurred June 10 11:30a-1p, Networking and Elevate Northland pitch contest. We had a speaker from the Ohio Auditor's Office. We had a couple of small business owners pitch their business. The winner was Kitchen Delicious. Craig distributed cards from Kitchen Delicious for catering and their restaurant.</li> <li>• Third quarter is our Golf Outing. If you are interested, save the date for September 11 at Delaware Golf Club. You can register for it at <a href="http://nabacolumbus.org">nabacolumbus.org</a></li> </ul>
<b>Columbus City Schools</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>
<b>City of Columbus Community Liaison</b> <i>(Devin Deal)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of Neighborhoods – Members of our fire department are in Alabama, competing in a world basketball tournament and they won gold!</li> <li>• The Mayor's Office partnered with Dept of Neighborhoods for a meeting, and NCC was well represented. We had good conversation.</li> <li>• An event in partnership with the Office of Violence Prevention, City Attorney's Office, Franklin County Commissioners, and more is hosting a special leaders screening forum, July 12 at the Lincoln Theater 12:45pm. They are inviting civic leaders to that meeting about public safety.</li> <li>• 614 Beautiful grants are open again annually. Last year Northland claimed three grants. July 7 is the deadline.</li> <li>• Urban Lacrosse academy – many of you are familiar with Bear and his team. Youth entering 2<sup>nd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to a free clinic. Check NCC email for details.</li> </ul>
<b>Columbus Community Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>
<b>North YMCA</b> <i>(Katy Spittel-Jaime)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report.</li> </ul>
<b>Roundtable</b> Matt McGuire Ohio Department of Transportation District 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upcoming local project update about 161 plus some bigger regional projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The goal of the mini roundabouts is to replace 96 conflict points between the service roads and 161 and the intersecting roads. (The points where vehicles come together are conflict points. A traditional intersection has 32 points. Ours have more because of the service roads). A roundabout has only 8 conflict points as designed.</li> <li>○ A resident commented that people who are now not allowed to turn left onto the service road prior to the light are still doing that anyway by going up past the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>barrier and making a U turn in the intersection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The project also involves a shared use path along 161 and will connect with the new Green Line path that is under construction.</li> <li>○ Maple Canyon has been completed</li> <li>○ Parkville and Spring Run is partially completed</li> <li>○ Upcoming is Sharon Woods and Tamarack, Beechcroft, Ambleside, North Meadows</li> <li>○ Comment: The City Forester is trying to add trees, but on 161 there are trees being sacrificed for this project and community flower boxes and none of this is going to be replaced, and it's mostly going to be concrete. There's no consideration for landscaping and trees. Could we get 30 days notice to salvage perennials and bulbs from the flower boxes that are going to be destroyed?</li> <li>○ Comment: The business association would like to see a sign showing the busiensses that are on a street that is being closed, and how to get to them. Currently it just says the street is closed.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Comment: Is there more information about 161 east toward New Albany. The widening was completed last fall to add a third lane. They are finishing with the final paving. The noise walls that were feasible and desired by the neighborhoods: The construction has just started and they will be being built over two years between 270 and Route 62.</li> <li>● Comment: The striping is terrible and the old stripes are still visible. Answer: The new paving happening now will fix this and you won't be able to see the old striping.</li> <li>● Comment: Have they changed the asphalt mix/aggregate. Answer: This changes often. They use available materials as long as it meets the standards.</li> <li>● Comment: Lowering speed limits. Answer: Speed limits are statutory under state law. We have to do an analysis in order to change it. As part of doing the study, it will produce a recommended speed. That may not be what the community desires. A "business district" can be designated and it would be up to the municipality to say what meets their definition. Business districts have a statutory speed limit of 25 mph.</li> <li>● Additional information was provided about very major freeway projects both downtown (70 and 71) and in Northland at I-270 and 71. There will be an additional lane added for 270 east drivers to go to 71 North. Also a new ramp on the east side for 270 to 70 east. I-70 near Hilliard Rome Road is being rebuilt. On the south side, I-270 and 23 is being reconfigured. On the southeast side they are repaving I-270. US-33 will begin being widened from I-270 to Gender Road, starting spring of 2027.</li> <li>● There was a request for a meeting about the very specific details of what could work better with the mini roundabouts, and we'd like to have someone really listen before all the phases are built and before this model is propogated</li> </ul>
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	<p>elsewhere in the state, since this is the first time trying this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senator DeMora offered to have everyone send questions to his office to follow up. demora@ohiosenate.gov</li> </ul>
<b>NCC Officer Reports</b>	
<b>Treasurer</b> Roger Davidson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial reports show dues payments, parade donations and expenses. Financial report printouts were distributed. Ken Gilbert moves to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Pat Hammel seconded – approved unanimously</li> </ul>
<b>Secretary</b> Alycia Shahid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May and June minutes are presented for approval. Ken Gilbert moves to accept, Pat Hammel seconds. Approved unanimously.</li> </ul>
<b>Vice President</b> Pat Hammel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building and Zoning – Nick Bezanson spoke about the next phase of the ZoneIn process, which, after rezoning major city corridors (4.4% of the city), is now progressing to 40% of the city including other mixed use areas in business and multi-family residential areas near employment centers and manufacturing districts. It will start with land use planning first, then zoning districts. Community Meeting will be held at the Gillie Center July 9, 5-7pm  Question – rezoning is being allowed to put dense apartments in neighborhoods. Answer – that is happening through the rezoning process, not what is allowed “by right” the way it is planned on a map. That's up to City Council and not part of this planning process.  Comment – Columbus should preserve good neighborhoods and prevent people from leaving for the suburbs, but instead by allowing higher density in these neighborhoods, it's going to send people out of Columbus who want a single-family way of life. Answer: “spot zoning” for increased density should actually be less under the new zoning because we will be creating a more thoughtful plan in advance.</li> </ul>
<b>President</b> Christine Osero	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christine is working on public relations and social media for NCC. She wants to visit each civic association meeting.</li> </ul>
<b>NCC Committee Reports</b>	
<b>Independence Day Parade Committee</b> northlandparade.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8:30a lineup begins for 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade this week on Friday July 4.</li> <li>• The Northland High School marching band will be participating.</li> <li>• We need a volunteer to be in charge of the parade monitors, who are meeting at Epworth Church to keep the parade flowing smoothly.</li> <li>• Sponsors and Participants are listed on the website. We reviewed it during the meeting to see all of them listed. There will be a great lineup for the parade this year!</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteers are also needed for cleanup on the parade route at the end.</li> <li>• NorthlandParade.org is active and people can apply and pay online.</li> </ul>
<b>Development Committee</b> Dave Paul, Chair	<p>Dave Paul reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CASE ONE – Sheetz came to get approval for special parking space markings to pick up your food through the Sheetz app. During the meeting, there was feedback about traffic flow through the Sheetz and designation of the parking spaces. They agreed to delay and get answers to those questions before returning in July.</li> <li>• CASE TWO Luxury Worldwide LLC auto sales at 5799 Spring Run Dr north of 161. There were questions about the details of their proposal and whether they are meeting the requirements of city code for auto dealership, so they are also coming back next month.</li> <li>• The July Development Committee Meeting will be at Elevate Northland instead of the library.</li> <li>• Dave created a map that represents the expansion we voted on last month. The green boundary shows the new area (plus some existing area such as Lee-Ulry) and shows the Rocky-Fork Blacklick Accord area in blue. The red area shows Northland Plan I and II areas. Dave submitted a letter to the city advising them of the new boundaries. The map was posted on Facebook and someone was saying that this area was about to be annexed into Columbus in its entirety. This resulted in a bit of a kerfuffle. This has now been resolved and clarified. Please don't share things with people without some context. A new map was distributed with a disclaimer at the bottom. Members of NCC said the letter Dave wrote provides great history and will be a good piece to take to new neighborhoods in our new territory to explain why it is good to join.</li> </ul>
<b>Graphics and Code</b> Bill Logan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>
<b>Old Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aug 5 – National Night Out</li> <li>• Aug 12 – NCC Picnic at Dogwood Pavilion at Blendon Woods – Bring a dish to share (no regular meeting)</li> </ul>
<b>New Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New application from Blendon Township.- Discussion about Ken moved to table this application to clarify their participation in the Development Committee, seconded by Maria. Motion carries.</li> <li>• New application from Hoover Farms. Ashley Sawsey is a representative of Hoover Farms, which is at Lee Road north of Central College on Walnut Road. Ken moves to approve, Pat seconds. Motion carries.</li> </ul>

<b>Open Forum</b> <i>(comments and announcements)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• N/A</li></ul>

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:20 PM**