

# North Central Area Commission Meeting

March 7, 2019

Shepard Library

Web site: [ncacolumbus.wix.com/ncac](http://ncacolumbus.wix.com/ncac)

Facebook: North Central Area Commission

**Call to Order:** Tiffany White called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Carl Lee prayed the invocation.

## Roll Call:

*Commissioners Present:* Carl Lee, Reno Lemons, Jessica Martin, Wallace McLean, Bee Tolber, Tiffany White, and Asmara Williams (arrived at 6:09)

*Absent:* Lorenzo Brent (*excused*), Alfonso Hooper (*unexcused*)

## Police Liaison Report:

Officer Tony Rogers, 7<sup>th</sup> Precinct Liaison, [arogers@columbuspolice.org](mailto:arogers@columbuspolice.org) (614-645-1407) – brought statistics (6 residential burglaries is odd but down overall; 2 individual robbers; 0 commercial robberies, aggravated assaults). Douglas McDonald had requested runs to Family Dollar, Officer Rogers provided some from patrol-view. If you hear gunshots then call to report.

**Budget:** \$435.44, took care of lease with ODU. Remainder of our meetings will be at ODU Student Life center on the second floor. They will start at 6PM. There is an elevator and lots of handicap parking spaces.

**Meeting Agenda Approval:** Jessica Martin motioned to approve. Asmara Williams seconded.

**Meeting Minutes for February 7, 2019:** Carl Lee motioned to approve with one change (Dave Perry should be listed as consultant not lawyer). Asmara Williams seconded.

## Presentations:

- **Sigsbee Avenue Church of God, Mr. Bridges and Pastor Greg Cumberland.** Bee Tolber says they have been an asset to the community. Produce giveaways possibly in April/May, usually on Saturdays; partner with Mid-Ohio foodbank. Email [yanzeh28@gmail.com](mailto:yanzeh28@gmail.com) to join the foodbank list.
- **Trees are My Business, Dave Perry, and Anthony Provenzale, 1524 Joyce,** proposal requires re-zoning. Applications have not been submitted yet (\$4,500 in fees) but wanted to gain our feedback/support first.
  - Zoning from M2 light manufacturing – to LM (limitation manufacturing, category w/restrictions) and R3 to – LM (limitation manufacturing, category would have restrictions on it)
    - We definitely want to consider what the limitations would be.
    - Currently property being used for a trucking business.
  - Variances would include: surfacing (not have portion paved w/ asphalt or concrete), building set back line variance – existing building is not in compliance; variance to building lines along 16<sup>th</sup> and Kemper (for lean-to sheds – property would be fenced and screened but the sheds are structures); outside storage component (reduce 100 ft. and 30ft setbacks from public streets be reduced).
  - Area will not be storage for waste products but for woodworking (table tops, furniture, etc.). The valuable logs come to be dried in the sheds (depending on wood, a few months up to 2 years). There is also a kiln next to the building for additional drying; a small retail component. Wood usually sits up 6 inches from the ground; sheds would have roofs and would be fence-high.
    - To ensure area does not attract rodents could it sit higher than 6 inches off the ground? Consider maybe a foot (residential code is min. of 12 inches off the ground).
    - They reported no complaints about rodents at the current location (they have motion sensors but only see alley cats).
  - They have been in business for 7 years and plan to making a considerable investment in the property (looking for a central location has been hard), including beautification to the outside area,

redo the building, could do landscaping. Plans to use recycled asphalt. Trucks leave 7:30/8:00 and come back around 4:00 (wouldn't be coming back and forth during the day).

- We encouraged to double check with the direct neighbor and church (Bee Tolber will contact too).
- **Denise Moore**, real estate agent, sold some properties in the area. Says this business would be valuable in the area, could help kids figure out trades, eventually new employment/local.
- We are not concerned whether he would be a good neighbor, but concerned in the future if the property would sold – what type of businesses would come w/ the new zoning changes.
- 1040 Brentnell - Mr. Wilson reported this property is limited manufacturing but looks good.
- **Preston Salas, City Code Enforcement**, covers about 75% of North Central and East Columbus (second shift area; Maggie is other officer), wanted to introduce himself and see if we had anything specific for him. He has been in contact with Katarina Karac about the storage container house and issued notices (owners wants to demo house and build a house with the shipping containers). For 835 Parkwood - a court case has been filed (cite garage falling down in across from 840 Bassett (another container house).
  - Question: How long do before something has to be built? Building Dept. could keep a permit open if they see any work (for a long time).
  - Still dumping in American Addition, where camera was, (Wentworth between 16<sup>th</sup>, Windsor)
  - 1743 E. 26<sup>th</sup> house with rodents, currently 30 day notice (if nothing is done, then file a court case)
  - Crosby's Funeral Home – filled out affidavit to give to the County
  - 17<sup>th</sup> and Joyce (1537 Chauncey)
  - Code can do home inspections (for bad landlords).

**Community Liaison Report:** Alfred Akainyah; his phone is 614-645-7964, cell 614-678-2605, email:

[aaakainyah@columbus.gov](mailto:aaakainyah@columbus.gov). – Zoning training coming up on March 23<sup>rd</sup> 9-11 AM, have to RSVP by the 18<sup>th</sup> (good information); Send feedback for 3109 changes (no due date currently); Alfred is getting calls about the flooding issues in the area and will talk to DPU if they can do anything about it. He will provide new Council assignments.

## Committee Reports

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Donna Turner, Wallace McLean, Carl Lee

- Carl Lee, does consulting work for the City. Encouraged we go to [columbus.gov](http://columbus.gov) to Technology Department tab, centralized services and programs, geographic information system – this will decide land use/zoning for the area (C2P2 and why it was developed). This resource can help in decision making, so we are aware and don't debate things that won't change.

ZONING, BUILDING AND HOUSING COMMITTEE: Reno Lemons

- See Carl Lee's update, also regards zoning/land use.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE: Bee Tolber

- Light on/blinking at Brentnell (blink for 90 days), call Dan Williamson, 614-224-8114 if any questions; also send 311 comment. This only change based on calls. Tiffany White created a flyer to distribute.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE: Asmara Williams

- Kids Leadership Conference on March 9<sup>th</sup> from 10-3 AM, Clinton Middle School, Worth Foundation

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- Airport: Alfonso Hooper and Wallace McLean
  - Planes are flying low again, reach out to City Council environmental committee, patterns have changed, traffic increased since original plan.

## Community Forum:

- Debbie Krantz, Village at Eastern Glenn, notified of their April Annual HOA meeting, at Howard Community Center, Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. They also meet quarterly for townhalls at Mt. Gerizim church. They are ready to bid out all roads/sidewalks/curbs, etc. They say the school buses coming through the community caused drain bases destroyed, also buses idling in area. They used to just be on Canopy Lane (but if the child has an IEP they must be dropped at the door).

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.