

HHCA Minutes

March 8, 2018 7:00 pm GMP Hall

Meeting was called to order by Bob Meldahl who introduced the guest speaker Craig Montgomery from the Works who presented a wonderful account of the city in circa 1905. It was well received by the group and we will look into having Craig back in the future for more history of Newark. Bob presented a HHCA Coffee Mug and a box of candy as a thank you for our guest.

Business Meeting

-**Minutes** from February 8 meeting were presented with a correction that Mindy was not the coordinator of the HHCA Yard Sale. Motion to accept: Mark 2nd Rod

-**Treasurer's Report**- Beginning balance/\$9,999.41 less \$500.00(Donation NCPAA) & \$160.47 (Misc Supplies) **Ending balance \$9,388.94**

Motion to accept: Dwight 2nd Mark

Old Business

-**Scholarship Committee**: Jose/Carol/Dwight/Rod will meet after the March 15th deadline to select our 2018 winner.

-**Banner Committee**: Mark A meeting was held downtown at River Road Coffee House on 2/19/18 and included a meeting with Shannon Walker of Walker Specialty and Promotions for banner styles and ideas. Shannon developed the banners for the downtown area and on the courthouse square. She developed art and made suggestions to the committee including offering Sponsorships for banners to help offset the costs. The group agreed to try to have 10 sponsors at \$150 for 1 year raising \$1500.00 (See Gateway Banner Project Memo). Shannon offered an opportunity for the HHCA to present the project to the NDA. This was done on March 6 and as of March 10, Bob reported that 6 businesses have already committed.

-**Median Committee**- Jose Recap \$900.00 to 1,000.00 left in the median budget from the grant. Cleanup is needed, spring planting to replace seasonal plants and a shrub that was stolen. The group is looking into planting trees in the vicinity of the median. Pole banner brackets will be installed in the area. A hose will be purchased for watering the plants on the median. Jose will try to set up a meeting with Brian Moorehead City Engineer to find out about the city's plan for the light posts on St. Clair St. and Mt. Vernon Rd. to determine if we can use them for HHCA Banners and other concerns for the area surrounding the median.

-**Media Committee**- Jose A newsletter will be published and printed and will be finished by April 7. All articles are to be submitted by Jose no later than March 24 – preferably as an email attachment (Cabral, Jose cabral.1@osu.edu) Articles to date include: president's message, neighborhood clean-up, yard sale, picnic in the park..

-Neighborhood Cleanup - Mark April 21st – Rain date 28th. The park will be the meeting point (Donuts & Coffee & Juice) provided. Start time is 9:30 am. Bags and gloves will be distributed as well as areas for clean up will be discussed. Mark will look into having a dumpster (Waste Management – no cost) available and tires will be taken to the tire amnesty day collection.

-Yard sale update – May 14 from 9 am – 5 pm. Connie Rutter will purchase permits. Bob will handle ads and media. Mindy will collect advance fees and perhaps collect the day of the event. If unavailable, we will have another person in place to collect the \$5 participation fee per host.

-North Street Park & Gardens: Mark Full plots are \$15.00/ \$5.00 Partial Available on a first come first served basis. Mark has a form to reserve a plot. Mark is working on getting clean up bags for Dog Run area.

-Summer Picnic is scheduled for July 14th from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Hot dogs, hamburgers, buns and beverages will be provided by the HHCA. All attendees are to bring a covered dish and serving utensils to share.

New Business

New guests at meeting

Christine Tracy - 498 Hudson Ave Rachel Ooten - 482 Hudson

Newark Police Deputy Chief Erik McKee (Our new Police contact). Erik asked that we report any strange activity in our area (like the man who has knocked on doors in the early morning hours asking for money). Call 911- All calls go to 911 operator. He gave updates on things the police are working on in our neighborhood including enforcement of speed limit on Hudson Ave (25 mph), trespassing on the rail road (illegal and will be enforced), etc. Erik was thanked for attending the meeting and for his updates. He is encouraged to come to any meetings he is able to attend.

Next meeting date change to April 5th (Due to schedule conflict at GMP) Guest speaker Pam Roberts with Together we Grow speaking on community gardens and planting.

-Connie Rutter looking into a tour of the historical Sullivan Building for our May 10 meeting with a formal meeting at the back room of the Buckeye Winery.

Motion to adjourn by Mindy Nelson 2nd by Bobbi Meldahl