

HHCA

HISTORIC HUDSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES – October 13, 2022

President Bob Meldahl presiding.

President called HHCA *business* meeting to order: 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: 22

Guest Speaker – Fred and Megan Ernst
Executive Director of Newark Development Partners

Website is WeDigNewark

- The Nazarene Church has been sold to Monte Christopher LLC
 - Chris Eckles & Todd Londot - owners
 - Monte Christopher is an academically focused company
 - Plan is to renovate building into a mini convention, media, and podcast center
 - Development timeline to evolve over the next few months
 - Original plan to preserve church was unsuccessful – could not get financial numbers to work
- NDP has purchased several properties on Elmwood clustered near the church (166-200)
 - Purchases were made through private donations
 - No specific plan for development
 - Focus is blight removal and neighborhood clean-up
- Arcade – Renovation
 - Groundbreaking will be October 27 at 11:00 am
 - Completion target date is February 2024 with an orchestra for the Grand Opening
 - \$16 million dollar project – received \$3 million in tax credits
 - Received a \$1 million grant for improved glass fixtures
 - Acknowledgement: Jay Hottinger and Mark Fraizer
 - Will retain historic look with terrazzo floors
 - Architecture will follow historic preservation guidelines
 - Business potential of up to 24 stores
 - Focus will be on “foot traffic” businesses
 - Plans are for +/- 19 loft apartments with dedicated parking

- There will also be a Farmer's Market for winter

BUSINESS MEETING

Item: Meeting Minutes from Previous Meeting: September 8, 2022

Action: Motion to accept Meeting Minutes

Motion: Sandy Gartner

All approved: 100%

Motion Second: Tim Gartner

Dissenting: 0

Item: Treasurer's Report

Previous Balance: \$7755.16 Current Balance: \$7391.15

NOTE: Details of income and disbursements in report.

Action: Motion to Accept and File Treasurer's Report

Motion: Carol Floyd

All Approved: 100%

Motion Second: Bobbi Meldahl

Dissenting: 0

OLD BUSINESS

Median Committee: Dwight McBride

- Autumn decorations in place
 - Mums are in full bloom
- Christmas decorations will be set up after Thanksgiving

Office Elections: Jose Cabral

- Elections for Vice President, Secretary, and two (2) Trustees will be November 10

North Street Park and Gardens: Paul Gregory

- 2022 gardening season has ended and all tenants are encouraged to clean out their plots and compost them
- Future rain catchment, toolshed, and greenhouse facilities to be forthcoming spring of 2023

Banner Project and Signs: Bob Meldahl

- All banners are installed
- A plaque commemorating the 1941 B-25 bomber crash is being considered for the corner of Wyoming and Hudson
 - Owner of property is being informed and waiting for permission
 - Estimated cost is +/- \$3000

- HHCA will serve as the clearing house for financial donations
 - Donor acknowledgement on plaque encourages donations
 - Doug Stout (Licking County Library) and Matt Dole (LCHS) are involved and leading a fundraising campaign

Christmas Decorating Contest – Bobbi Meldahl

- Judging via non-HHCA & neighborhood personnel will take place during the week of December 18

Fall Newsletter – Paul Gregory

- Newsletter is in final review
- Publishing and distribution will be before Halloween

NEW BUSINESS

HHCA Christmas Dinner – Dwight and Liz McBride

- Dinner will be Saturday, December 3 at the Buckingham House located at 5 North 6th Street
- Food to be provided by Tommy Adam (HHCA Member) will cater
 - Main course selections to be submitted by November 20
 - Cost will be \$24 or less per person, children are \$12 and will be pay in advance
- There will be a visit by Santa
- Maximum seating is 80

HHCA Chicken Noodle Dinner and Auction

- To be held January 21, 2023 (4:00-7:00 pm) at Union Hall 350 Hudson Avenue
- Tickets will be \$10 and advanced ticket sales are strongly encouraged
 - Goal is to sell 200 tickets
 - Advanced tickets will be available to the membership at the November 2022 meeting
- Volunteers needed to direct and assist in specific areas
 - Kitchen set-up and clean-up (Jose Cabral, Monica Ginn, Dwight McBride)
 - Table set-up and break-down (Steve Mendicino, Paul Gregory)

- Recruiting of sponsors and donors (Bob Meldahl)
- Ticket sales and front door greeting (Carol Floyd, Penny Grisanti, and Mindy Nelson)
- Desserts (Beth Pheneger)

“Good-Of-The-Hood” Concerns:

- November 10 meeting will have group FRAMEWORK
 - Will provide information about the expected growth in Licking County
 - Focus will be the impact Intel and subsequent support businesses on the county, city, and the 15 jurisdictions including specific neighborhoods
 - Fred Ernst stated the new owners of the Nazarene Church may be able to speak

Motion to adjourn

Item: Motion to adjourn

**Motion: Dwight McBride
All approved: 100%**

**Motion Second: Theresa Gregory
Dissenting: 0**

Proposed 2023 Calendar of Events

Scheduled HHCA Meetings

All meetings, unless otherwise stated, will be at the USW Union Hall
350 Hudson Avenue with a 7:00 pm start

January 12

February 9

March 9

April 13

May 11 (Meeting place TBD)

NO MEETINGS JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

September 14

October 12

November 9

Events

January 21 – Chicken Noodle Dinner and auction 4:00-6:30 pm

April 2 – (Sunday) Banner maintenance

April 22 – Neighborhood Clean-Up
(Meet at North Street Park 9:00 am)

Picnic in the Park (Details forthcoming)

Progressive Dinner (Details forthcoming)