Clintonville Area Commission 04/12/2020

Candidate Statement

Brian Peifer – District 2

**Background:**

I have been a resident of Clintonville since July 2016 when my wife and I purchased our first house on Brighton Road. My first experiences with Clintonville began as an undergraduate at The Ohio State University. Upon receiving my bachelor’s degree from Ohio State I pursued pharmacy school and attended Mercer University in Atlanta, Georgia where I completed my doctor of pharmacy degree. I lived in Atlanta from 2008 to 2015 and often when I would come back to visit Ohio the neighborhood I would visit the most was Clintonville. Since moving into our house on Brighton Road I have been able to walk to work going along North Broadway to Riverside Methodist Hospital and now to the OhioHealth Blom Administrative Campus. I am very active and enjoy running along the bike path and streets of Clintonville trying to capture everything that is happening in our neighborhood.

**Commissioner Interests:**

Clintonville is a neighborhood that makes me feel very proud of where I live and I want this to be an opportunity that I can use to give back. I appreciate the diversity of our neighborhood. I feel very connected with my usual daily runs taking me all over Clintonville and getting to see all that our community has to offer. I get excited when I think of all the nature that our community has running through our ravines. I love seeing all of the businesses new and old succeed. When I travel I compare my destination to where I live. I’ve observed concepts in other cities and have a vision of how they would be implemented in Clintonville (Atlanta BeltLine, Detroit Eastern Market, Chicago Lakefront Trail, Toronto Waterfront Trail, etc.). I hope my experiences and desire for community involvement will give you strong consideration to consider electing me for District 2 commissioner.

**Commissioner Goals:**

Community Involvement

Continued promotion of green spaces, public parks, and trails. Provide updates to residents for changes occurring in these areas and the impact to the environment.

Support thoughtful neighborhood development that keeps the “Clintonville” character. Utilize the Clintonville Neighborhood Plan as a guide and consider making updates as necessary to reflect the changes that have occurred in the neighborhood since it was published.

Develop communication strategies and provide transparency that help ensure District 2 constituents know what is going on within Clintonville and the surrounding areas that might impact them. Provide a forum for open discussion of these issues.

Work with other commissions surrounding Clintonville (University Area Commission, North Linden Area Commission) as a liaison and resource.