



Clintonville Area Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 2, 2015, 7-9 pm
Beechwold Christian Church
(all times are approximate)

Commissioners in attendance: David Vottero, Nancy Kuhel, Libby Wetherholt, Matthew Cull, Judy Minister, Randy Ketcham, Jason Meek, D Searcy

Commissioner(s) absent and excused: Kris Keller

1. **7:00 p.m.** Call to order by Commissioner Libby Wetherholt and introduction of commissioners.

2. **7:02 p.m.** Consideration of prior meeting minutes.

Wetherholt moved that the minutes be adopted. The voice vote approved the minutes unanimously.

3. **7:05 p.m.** Election of Officers

1. Chairperson: Randy Ketcham nominated Kris Keller. The nomination was approved by voice vote unanimously.

2. Vice-Chairperson: Kuhel nominated Randy Ketcham. The nomination was approved by voice vote unanimously.

3. Secretary: Kuhel nominated Libby Wetherholt. The nomination was approved by voice vote unanimously.

4. Treasurer: Vottero nominated Jason Meek. The nomination was approved by voice vote unanimously.

Vice Chair Ketcham began presiding the meeting.

4. **7:15 p.m.** Community Update (Mr. Isom Nivins)

Neighborhood signs:

Has tried to find out about the installation of the remaining signs; has been told that the coordinator Anna Jones is trying to get the installation moving; will keep bugging

Graffiti abatement:

Has begun; if there are areas that need to be reported, contact Isom at 614.645.7510 or call 311; Andy Baumann is code enforcement supervisor and can be contacted at 645-7292.

Connect Columbus workshops

7/13 1-6 pm; 7/14 11-6; 7/15 2-8 pm; 7/16 9-2; @ Franklin County Board of Elections

City Council Community meeting:

7/14 @ Gillie Senior Center: 5:30-7:00 pm

5. 7:20 p.m. Treasurer's Report (Commissioner Meek)

submitted memorandum of agreement—funds should be coming in soon

6. 7:25 p.m. Zoning & Variance Committee (Chairperson Bagwell)

1. 3381 N. High Street (North Broadway & High Redevelopment) – BZA Application

a. To be postponed until August 6, 2015 per the applicant's request.

2. 68 Walhalla – BZA Application

a. Variance to: CC 3332.38(G) (increase garage height to 19 feet, 8 inches from maximum of 15 feet); and CC 3332.38(F) (increase garage square footage to 750 sf from the maximum of the greater of 720 square feet or one-third of the minimum net floor area for the living quarters of the principal residence); and CC 3332.38(C) (decrease the setback from minimum of 25 feet to 21 feet); and to allow for the construction of a 2-car garage with habitable space on the second floor.

Applicant Brian Burris presented reasons for new garage—does not allow for the length of a minivan and would like to have artist studio. Habitable space: Bagwell presented information on clarification of what the city considers habitable space from Jamie Friese—habitable space is different from living space—living space would include a kitchen; habitable space is simply a floor and walls.

[In an email dated July 9, 2015, chair Bagwell provided the following information:

Habitable space is allowed in detached garages with a variance to the obscure code section, 3332.35, Accessory building, which reads: "A specifically permitted principal use may include such accessory buildings as are ordinarily appurtenant thereto."

Since a garage is "ordinarily appurtenant" but habitable space in a garage is not, a variance to this code section allows the establishment of habitable space in (or often, above) a detached garage. Often times homeowners want a work space, office, studio, exercise room, heated pool house, bedroom, etc. A condition often found associated with these variances is that it shall not become a dwelling unit, which means it has cooking facilities. With a variance, we will allow just about anything just short of being a dwelling, including heat, air-conditioning and a bathroom. We don't want to see people establishing two dwelling units on the same lot, for instance, though, since that has parking implications along with a whole lot of other things. Rule of thumb is, if it's for your own use, fine. If you intend to rent it out or let grandma live there, nope.]

Height: 3332.38.c. V&Z committee vote was to approve: 5 yes; 0 no
Square footage:3332.38.f. V&Z committee vote was to approve: 5 yes;
0 no
Setback: 3322.21.c. V&Z committee vote was to approve: 5 yes; 0 no
Habitable space: 3332.38.g--V&Z committee vote was to approve with
condition of no cooking space and toilet: 4 yes; 1 no

CAC votes:

Height, Square Footage, Setback:

Kuhel moved to approve: voice vote-8 yes; 0 no

Habitable space: Kuhel moved to approve: 7 yes; 1 no (Searcy)

3. Update on Decisions of BZA and City Council
Graphics Commission denied Raising Cane's mural

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 4th

7. 7:20 p.m. Establishment of Special Committees

Committees that are not standing committees which need to be re-established each year:

Historic Building Committee—Kuhel stated that there is no authority to preserve; in the fall there will be a gallery exhibition of photographs of our historic buildings. Wetherholt moved to establish the Historic Building Committee. It was approved by voice vote: 8 yes; 0 no

Safety & Crime Committee—Jason Meek stated it had been difficult to sustain interest in this committee; the value is to have conduit between police and individuals who have sustained interest in crime prevention; Meek's recommendation was that a liaison between CPD and CAC might be more effective. Meek indicated that he would be willing to serve as that liaison. Ketcham wondered if the commission might vote at once to approve the liaison position. Wetherholt noted that appointments are up to the chair of the commission. Since liaison is not an officer position, it should be left up to the chair.

Standing Committees will be appointed in August by chair Keller.
Ketcham announced that indication of interest may be sent to the commissioners' email on our website by July 13.

8. 8:15 p.m. District Updates

Vottero: meetings on Indianola bridge concern are being held; making plans for National Night Out on 8/4; also working on Crest Fest to be held on August 22.

Kuhel: encourages people to call 311 number regarding checking on speeding on NB and High

Wetherholt: attended the Columbus Blueprint Open House and recommended the cards that explain the project; recommended checking out Ohio History Connection which is making changes to Ohio Village and has a lot of good

information.

Minister: Dan has shared mailing list; encouraged people to email her to get on her list if they weren't on his list; continuing conversations with Starbucks

Cull: has received emails from Bagwell's list; will look into flooding on Indianola near Acton, Blenheim, Chatham

Ketcham: Rusty Bucket is working on foundation at Croswell and High—has had some soil problems; Weir-Arend has been sold and will probably be mixed use retail. Clintonville Chamber's new address is: 11 W Cooke.

Meek: meeting with residents on Dominion regarding traffic calming; trying to piggy back with BluePrint project and Connect Columbus; trying to determine if residents WANT sidewalks; preparing for development to come into District 7.

Searcy: members of the community have reinstalled watering bags on trees; desire to have a shelter at Sharon Park; graphics commission denied the Raising Cane's sign because there was no hardship demonstrated.

9. 7:43 p.m. Public comment

Rodgers: Clintonville Historical Society invited people to become members; reiterated information about Cynthia's Compass, a sculpture to be completed by Agnes Burris, a resident of Clintonville. 7/11 Official launch party at Moxie's, 3468 N. High to learn about project. Kelton House speaker will be speaking 7/14 @ Moxie's. Community Breakfast for 4th of July at Whetstone Shelter House.

Simbro: will be passing out coloring sheets at community breakfast; T-shirts at Pat Kearns-Davis ReMax office. No public monies go into our 4th celebration. Recommends youTube video about Project BluePrint.

Linda Lewis: raidsonline—wants more info on crime happening

Mike Stinziano can be contacted at: Rep18@ohiohouse.gov or at 614.219.9224

Ketcham noted that next month's agenda will include a recommendation to begin meetings at 6:30 pm.

10. 7:51 p.m. Adjournment

August Meeting will be held at Beechwold Christian Church