



**Clintonville Area Commission Meeting Agenda**  
**Thursday, October 1, 2015, 7-10 pm**  
**Whetstone Library Community Room**  
(all times are approximate)

**Commissioners in attendance:** David Vottero, Libby Wetherholt, Matthew Cull, Kris Keller, Randy Ketcham, Jason Meek, D Searcy

**Commissioner(s) absent and excused:** Judy Minister, Nancy Kuhel

- 1. 7:00 p.m.** Call to order by Chairperson Kris Keller and introduction of commissioners
- 2. 7:05 p.m.** Consideration of prior meeting minutes  
The minutes were approved by voice vote 6 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain
- 3. 7:10 p.m.** Community Update- Isom Nivins  
His report is attached on page 6.
- 4. 7:15 p.m.** Treasurer's report - Commissioner Meek  
Treasury is at about \$300. Meek gathered info for signage for meeting places – 2'x3' sandwich board from Rust Belt graphics for \$190; Cull asked what percentage of our budget the signs would take. The answer: about 25%; Searcy asked if there would be interchangeable panels; Meek moved to have 2-3 signs designed for next meeting.  
The motion was approved by voice vote: 7 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain
- 5. 7:20 p.m.** Election Committee Budget Request – Commissioner Cull  
Committee met last Wednesday, September 30. Discussion about more community involvement in next election to get more people involved; would like for more people to vote; Cull asked for pre-authorization of \$150 for flyers and for post office box for absentee voters, signs in districts holding elections. Meek asked to have a marketing plan for what the money would be used for.  
Motion was passed by voice vote: 7 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain.

**6. 7:25 p.m. Plastic bag pilot project -Erin Miller**

David Celebreeze, Greenspot coordinator for city, came in place of Erin. Celebreeze is assisting in the project to reduce plastic bag use and encourage recycling and re-using reusable bags;

The project will officially kick-off in early 2016; invitations have been sent out to some merchants who aren't necessarily in the project's targeted corridors, but might generate a lot of plastic; pilot is free, trying to get 10-20 businesses involved; looking to have some sort of universal branding no matter which store is involved

Targeted corridors are: High Street from university through Clintonville to Morse and Morse Road.

Keller: how to measure success? Participants track # of plastic bags leaving store before, during and after; Keller gave Celebreeze info about Simply Living who would provide volunteers to help.

**7. 7:24 p.m. Friends of ADAMH – Dr. Delaney Smith**

Dr. Smith presented information about the 5 year renewal levy, Issue 14, that will be voted on in November election. 71% of support for ADAMH comes from the levy. 92% of monies goes directly to providers.

\$900,000 came to 43214 zip code in 2014

For every dollar spent substance abuse treatment \$4 in health care and \$7 in law enforcement and criminal justice is saved.

The levy will cost \$67 per \$100,000 in house value.

**8. 7:40 p.m. Zoning and Variance Committee (Chairperson Bagwell)**

**BZA approved the variances for Bleu & Fig (4622 N. High Street) and 425 Dominion**

**Next meeting: November 3**

**68 Walhalla Road:**

Variance from 3332.21 (building lines); to reduce the building setback from 25' to 6'.

Bagwell: Z&V approved 7-1; This same variance was approved in June, but measurements for the setback were incorrect and it therefore had to be redone.

a. Applicant Presentation – apologized for the error; it will move closer to California, but will still be in line with 4 of the 6 garages; mistake was caught by surveyor

b. Questions/Comments from the Commission

c. Public Comment

d. Vote: 7 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain

e. Standardized Form Comments: none

**3339 North High Street: Applicant did not attend Z&V; committee opted to postpone indefinitely.**

Variance from 3312.49 (minimum number of parking spaces required); to reduce the additional number of parking spaces from 10 to zero.

a. Applicant Presentation

b. Questions/Comments from the Committee

c. Public Comment

d. Vote

e. Standardized Form Comments

**4269 North High Street:**

- Change of use from B-Business to A2 Restaurant;
- Variance from 3312.49 (minimum number of parking spaces required); to reduce the number of parking spaces required from 32 to 12.

Bagwell: condition added: they arrange for 14 spaces to the south along with signage;

Approved by Z&V: 8-0-1

a. Applicant Presentation: existing lot has 12 spaces; 26 definite spaces removing two roofs, putting in new; adding square footage to High Street side; will have up to 10 employees at prime rush; agreement about signage states that it is for exclusive use of BiBiBop

b. Questions/Comments from the Commission:

Vottero: any on street parking which has 2 hour limit from 8 am to 4 pm

Ketcham: parking is an issue—Northstar has created great need for parking

Cull: what is the impact of parking on the residential streets; how full does the lot behind the insurance agency get in the evenings.

Searcy: it looks like either what CAC approved before is not being upheld or the insurance agency may be overleasing

Meek: Who all was notified? Ketcham hand-delivered to 8 or 9 houses on both sides of W. Cooke; CAC needs to maintain a list of parking agreements

c. Public Comment:

Aaron and Erin Whittaker, owners of building to the west which has medical offices and the Clintonville Chamber of Commerce, are in strong opposition and questioned the wisdom of business which needs so much parking; they lease two spaces on the parking lot that BibiBop says they will have; their tenants have evening hours often;

Rauschenberg: excited about interest in development on High Street

comment from unknown member of public: Sushi Station says their parking will be at Chamber

Bagwell said that she will contact Zoning as to what they have on record

d. Vote

Keller: add condition that a sign state who can use the 12 parking spaces at other businesses. Vote: 6 yes; 1 no; 0 abstain

Keller moved to vote on variance request with condition: 4 yes; 3 no; 0 abstain

e. Standardized Form Comments:

- investigate whether businesses who previously had parking leases are maintaining those leases;
- premature to approve when we do not know exactly how many spaces they have;
- stipulate that the 3 commissioners who voted against the variance were the commissioner from the district, from the neighboring district and the commissioner who served when the other variances were arranged.

**9. 8:08 p.m. Permit Parking Milford Ave – Commissioner Wetherholt/Mr. Rose**

Mr. Rose presented signed petitions that he made as a prior step to applying for the permit parking; send notification to Michael Tran. Keller moved to send our vote to the city. Voice vote: 7 yes; 0 no; abstain 0

**10. 8:13 Rebuilding of Bridge – Commission Vottero**

Vottero gave background of history of this effort; there was a suggestion that CAC jointly approach with UAC to revise UIRF fund request; Vottero presented

the letter and the idea to P&D committee; P&D was supportive of adding to the list of 2015 UIRF projects

Susan DeLay noted that there is an internal discussion in the City about appropriateness of using these funds for a bridge project

Wetherholt: double check the wording change that the funds are to be used for historic railings and not for actual bridge

Vottero moved to send the letter to Susan DeLay

Searcy: asked that the letter clarify which median projects we are discussing; make sure our request is contingent on UAC approving their share for the project; estimated cost share not to exceed \$75,000 without revisiting the project expense

Vote to send letter to DeLay with the above clarifications: Voice vote: 7 yes; 0 no; 0 abstain

- 10. 8:29 p.m.** Village in the Ville - Christine Happel, Clintonville Resource Center newest program at CRC which has goal of aging in place for as well as you can, as long as you can, for as little as you can; part of national village movement which started in Boston and has grown to 170 nation-wide as well as some internationally; grass roots and member driven. 3 main components: Silver Level-monthly social events and quarterly member meetings; looking for community partnerships. Gold member-access to service component. Members can be volunteers. It's also about building relationships. There are fees for the membership levels. There are 29 members at this time.

- 11. 8:30 p.m.** Porous Pavers – Susan Ashbrook

No Show – was to bring samples of porous pavers to be used on a street

- 12. 8:40 p.m.** Public comments

- Rauschenberg: please fix website; please use website to post documents that are debatable
- Brian Neese on W. Cooke: parking situation may be slightly overblown; we welcome a business
- Mary Rodgers (Clintonville Historical Society): Halloween Hop on October 31 with painted windows in 17 businesses; vote for favorite window on October 31; donations go to high school art programs;
- Mary Rodgers: Weir-Arend Funeral Home lot will be re-developed in near future—why not reach out to city to do some type of pre-planning for parking?
- Jeff Frontz: Is a particular commissioner working on it? Cull: has found someone to upgrade the website.
- Mary Rodgers: check with library regarding placement of signs around the library building

- 13. 8:50 p.m.** District Reports

Vottero: Community Market will close by 10/31/15; has talked to building owner and researched zoning status

Wetherholt: has been in talks with many about the Walhalla concern

Cull: no report

Ketcham: CWC will have pancake breakfast sponsored by Kiwanis this Saturday;  
Slice of Clintonville (also at CWC) will be one month from tonight

Meek: liaison to CPD concern—graffiti spots shown on map; encourages people  
to keep track of tags; report through 311;

Searcy: real issues with current city forester enforcing the contract for the trees in  
the district; working with Isom and city attorney to try to get work done on trees

**14. 8:55 p.m.** Adjournment

Meek: sandwich board design

Wetherholt: notify Michael Tran regarding vote to support permit parking

Bagwell: contact Zoning as to what they have on record regarding parking leases

Vottero: Letter

## **Area Commission Report- Clintonville (October) 2015**

### **Walhalla Ravine**

**Met with the City's Right of Way Coordinator and the area Code Enforcement Supervisor last Friday in the Ravine.**

**The Right of Way Coordinator has requested an assessment by Public Service for signage that alerts drivers of pedestrians and bicyclists; and possibly for reducing the speed limit.**

**A recommendation by Public Service is to be made within the next two weeks.**

**The residents who've been involved have been informed of the current actions.**

### **Neighborhood Best Practices Conference**

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Best Practices Conference will be held this Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Downtown High School and Career Center from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**The Conference is a collaboration between the Community Relations Commission, United Way and Fifth Third Bank.**

**The workshops are generally led by community-based organizations and topics will include: combatting youth violence, beautification and gardening, merging races and religions, how to reduce crime, understanding police and fire services, youth involvement within a community and how technology can be used to fight crime.**

### **Candidates' Night**

**There will be a Candidates' Night held at the King Avenue United Methodist Church, 299 King Avenue, on Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**The reception starts at 6:30 and the program begins at 7:00.**

**The event is sponsored by the Franklin County Consortium for Good Government.**