

Clintonville Area Commission Meeting
Minutes
Thursday, August 4, 2022, 7-8:55 pm
Whetstone Library Meeting Room

Called to order at 7 pm

Commissioner Introductions and District Updates

Joe Motil District 6 – Fenway Pines Condos – Tina Mohn CRP will provide vernal pool plantings if condo owners will put them in. The owners may contact FLOW for help. Stormwater line also needs examination. Delawanda will hold meeting 8/8 to discuss traffic calming measures because of the coming of TJMaxx in Graceland. Utility pipes moved from TeeJayes to COTA lot. COTA just signed a contract with people to use the area as a lay-down area. COTA did not share with Joe the info even though they were in talks since January. Joe Historic attended Preservation Commission on July 21. No minor design changes were made. Aldrich Road parking report will follow during the meeting.

Libby Wetherholt District 3 – Thank you to Beth Fairman Kinney for helping to solve a problem with an abandoned car at WNB and Hennipin.

Hugh Crowell District 4 – large number of garage demolitions

Brittany Boulton District 5 – solicited input about capital fund; still working on televising meetings. Community coffee this Sunday at her house.

David Vottero District 1 – quiet; Crest Fest, Saturday August 20, 12-3, follow them on Facebook—all Cville invited.

BJ White District 9 – Received two phone calls from construction folks from Chik-Fil-A. Both said they enjoy working for Chik-Fil-A and think CFA will be supportive of the community. E Stanton waterline construction is complete, resurfacing has begun. BJ re-did traffic calming circles on E Stanton; cleaned up ramp at Morse and I-71 which took about 45 minutes.

Brian Peifer District 2 – nothing going on, following up on BluePrint—had question about lateral lining costs for BluePrint

Consideration of prior meeting minutes – *Commissioner White subbing for Commissioner Garrison*

The minutes were approved: 5 yes, 0 no, 2 abstain (Vottero, Wetherholt)

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Treasurer's Report – Commissioner White, Treasurer

Expense: Stephen Hardwick, stamps \$111.00

Income: \$2500

Announcement: Reminder of Commission Vacancies in Districts 3, 6, and 8 – *Chair Henkener*

Since last month, there were three applications for open seats, one for each vacant district. All three were certified by the election committee. The certified candidates are:

District 3: Donna Leigh-Osborne

District 6: Mark Moritz

District 8: Joshua Hively

Write-in candidates are due tomorrow August 5 by 5:00. If there are no write-ins, there will be no election on August 27th. New Election Rules state that with no opposition, there will be no election. DV explained that we will wait to see what happens tomorrow. At the special meeting, to be called later in the meeting, there will be business to accept write-in candidates, etc.

Neighborhood Update – *Beth Fairman Kinney, Department of Neighborhoods and Harrison Poku-Yeboah, Columbus City Council*

BFK: brought signs publicizing election to put up if there is an election. Also brought Violence Ends Here signs for folks to post in their yards.

Neighborhood Best Practice Conference – October 15 –
Nominations are now open for candidates for the “20 under 20 awards”

Aldrich Road Parking – *Commissioner Motil*

Joe Motil: Aldrich Road resident input

Before resident input Joe reviewed the background of the parking initiative. Joe has gathered info regarding restrictions on parking in the neighborhood. Joe sent an email on November 2, 2021 asking that residents “send a brief letter requesting restrictions”. Only 3 people had contacted Joe until May 18, 2022. Joe monitored street especially in the spring. Businesses have towing signs and do not want student parking. OLP does not want student parking. Joe recommends supporting parking restrictions on Aldrich. Clintonville P&D could do a study on parking with the help of residents.

Resolution written by Joe to start discussion of issue by residents.

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- Diana Miller, Aldrich Road, Currently 10 streets have restricted parking; [Letter attached]
- Chuck Cohen, Aldrich Road, survey from 2021, was 2-1 in favor of parking restrictions
- Lacey Horig, Aldrich Road, the pandemic has worsened awareness of the parking problem, all other streets have restrictions
- Phil Hamilton, Aldrich Road – favors restrictions
- Jan Patton, Aldrich Road – in favor of restrictions
- Cary Foyle, Aldrich Road – there is proof that emergency squads can make it down the road; parking does not affect real estate price
- Joann Pickering, Aldrich – hazard to walk down the street, parking makes it difficult for trash and recycling trucks to get to bins
- Tom Miller, Aldrich – never had an issue with safety on Aldrich Road, has never had an issue with his motor home; not a problem; on street parking comes with urban neighborhood; we need an overall study of the parking plan in the entirety of the neighborhood; restrictions only move the problem; asked that we send to Planning and Development
- Bob Patton, Aldrich Road – contentious issue
- Phil Cook, Aldrich Road – agrees with restrictions

Commissioner Comments:

Motil: Aldrich is 26 feet wide, no sidewalks, safety vehicles can get through, restricted parking can be undone by redoing the process.

White: urged folks to watch YouTube Channel Clintonville – 6/24/2020 – Zoning and Variance Committee meeting, BWHS promises; 7/2/2020 – CAC meeting, BWHS promised to take the weight off of the people of Aldrich Road; White thinks the citizens needs to put more pressure on BWHS

Resolution 2022-3: Motil moved to accept the resolution with second by Crowell

Crowell moved to amend the resolution:

Recommends to the city of Columbus that a comprehensive study on the impact of nearby schools parking in the Aldrich Road surrounding Aldrich Road be undertaken during the school year

Wetherholt seconded

Vote to accept the Amendment: 6-0-1 (White)

Reason for abstention: not all avenues for a solution have been investigated

Main Resolution: 5-2-0. (boulton, white)

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Zoning and Variance – Committee Chair Stephen Hardwick

1. **BZA22-072, 42 Garden Rd.** The homeowner seeks a variance to decrease the side setback from 5' to 2.2' for the existing western side setback. CC3332.26.

Jaimee Parish, architect: existing screen porch is non-conforming;
accept the structure as it was built many years ago.

6-0-1 (Vottero)

2. **BZA22-084, 64 Overbrook.** The homeowners seek a variance to increase the maximum height for a garage from 15' to 24' 6". CC3332.38(G).

Valentes are present. Need work space; will only have a half bath;

Yes: Motil, Wetherholt, Crowell, White, Boulton, Peifer

No:

Abstain: Vottero

3. **BZA22-085, 233 Erie.** The homeowners seek a variance to increase the maximum height for a garage from 15' to 25' 5". CC3332.38(G).

Will demolish old garage, build new to match pitch

Yes: 6

No:

Abstain: Vottero

4. **BZA22-089, 44 W. Torrence.** The homeowners seek variance to 1) increase the maximum height for a garage from 15' to 22' 3", CC3332.38(G); and, 2) decrease the required side side yard from 3' to 1', to maintain the building line of the original garage. CC3332.26(E).

Yes: 6

No:

Abstain: Vottero

5. **BZA22-092, 130 W. Henderson.** The homeowner seeks variances from the rules requiring that:

1. Every "parking and loading space shall have sufficient access and maneuvering area (and that the) maneuvering area for a parking space may occur anywhere on a lot except in the area between the street right-of-way line and the parking setback line." CC3312.25;

2. "Where a required building setback line is less than 25 feet, the parking setback line shall follow the building setback line or the established parking setback, whichever is less, but in no case shall the parking setback line be less than ten feet from the street right-of-way line," CC3312.27(3);

3. The building setback be 20'. CC3332.21.

Yes: 6

No:

Abstain: Vottero

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Urban Infrastructure Recovery Funds: Second Consideration of Sidewalk Improvements –
_Alex Sauersmith, Planning Manager, City of Columbus

Sauersmith explained the 3 options for using the UIRF that we have left. After some discussion it was determined that Option 1, completing sidewalks north of Cooke Road on Indianola, was shown to be the consensus of the commission and that will be communicated to the city.

Public Comment

Announcement of Special Meeting –

Chair Vottero called a special meeting for Tuesday, August 9, 7 pm, for the purposes of discussing Clintonville's capital needs. If necessary, the commission will also vote to confirm any write-in candidates for the upcoming election. If there are no caididates there will be no votes or actions taken. The meeting is designed for an open discussion of the needs of Clintonville.

Submitted by Libby Wetherholt subbing for Jim Garrison.