

ROSELAWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MEMBERS
February 14, 2008

7:30 Barbary Kley called the meeting to order and welcomed guests and visitors.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Cincinnati Police Department-Officer Christine Berry provided copies of neighborhood crime statistics. She updated attendees regarding neighborhood crime incidents and reported that the Violent Crimes Squad had been very active in the Roselawn area.

Cincinnati Fire Department-Captain Prather provided information about the number and types of runs in Roselawn from the previous month. He asked for assistance in informing those who improperly park on Wynwood and Debonair not to do so as it makes navigation of firetrucks at this intersection is difficult. He also announced that there will be a Fire Fighter exam on March 29, 2008. Information is available on the city web site.

Cincinnati Recreation Commission - Justin Reynolds informed the group of upcoming events at the Bond Hill Center. There will be a Black History program on March 1, 2008 at 2:30 P.M. A jazz pianist will perform on April 10, 2008 at 11:00 A.M. A Latin Dance program will be held on Wednesday evenings at 6:15 P.M.

Bond Hill Elementary will move into their new building on March 4, 2008.

Bond Hill Library - Karen Davis announced that circulation has increased at their new location at Jordan's Crossing. They have the largest attendance of library programs than any other county branches. A book club is available, as well as adult and children programming. Detailed information is available at www.cincinnati.library.org.

Minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification and Litter-Bob Ingberg addressed the question raised at last month's meeting regarding the police substation telephone. He was informed by Capt. Isaacs that there must be a public land line in working order in the substations.

Membership-Currently there are 59 memberships which include 11 business members.

Junk furniture on Losantiville-Police and the building manager have been talked to about the problem. The apartments across the street are being contacted by letter requesting that they be vigilant and report offenders. There may also be future personal contacts to these apartments for assistance with this problem.

The city trash disposal department (591-6000) can be contacted for large item pick-ups on garbage day.

NBD Budget- \$10,000 thought to be budgeted by the city has been changed to \$9,000.

Adjustments have been made to our budget.

Beautification-Urban Forestry Department has selected Roselawn to be gifted with flowers for pots in the business district. Officials from their department will care for the planters, provide tree maintenance, and deal with street litter. Seven cement pots have been ordered but their placement has not yet been determined.

The city verified that the Wishing Well is on public property and Roselawn Community Council is responsible for maintaining it. Also, Rosecliff and Reading Rd. arches are on public right of way.

The Great American Clean Up will be held on April 26, 2008 and volunteers are needed.

Law and Safety -Monica Plear informed the group that Block Watch Training will be held on April 10, 2008 at 6:00 P.M. at Our Mother of Sorrows (this is 1 hour before the general membership meeting). Training will be provided by the District 4 Police. Those interested can sign up at the Roselawn Lutheran Church.

The elderly should be particularly vigilant to avoid crimes and money scams.

Monica also distributed a survey to get input regarding neighborhood crime and safety.

Community Liaison-Jackiedra Wilson will log concerns with the city and monitor via a city website. She also informed the group that communities can request "No Littering" signs.

Jerry Grimes is the area litter control officer and his number is 564-1750.

There was discussion regarding a mud problem at Summit and Reading Rd's. and Losantiville Ave.

Talbert House-There has been no response yet from Pam Gilliam regarding a possible zoning violation at Talbert House on Section Ave.

Community Engagement-Mary Donaldson reported that the newsletter has been posted. The next newsletter will be in early April. Items can be submitted to her for publication.

There was discussion about the use of e-mail for meeting dates and special events notifications. A motion was made and seconded to table the issue and discuss it at the next trustees' meeting.

Roselawn Business- Regina Livers said that the deadline for business card placement in the Roselawn Business Directory is March 15, 2008. Their next meeting will be February 28, 2008 at the Dukester's from 12:00-1:30 P.M. A buffet lunch will be available for purchase. She also distributed the CMA report for Roselawn to attendees.

OTHER BUSINESS

ODLC overruled opposition to Celebreties' (7617 Reading Rd.) liquor permit and the asst. prosecutor said there was not enough reason to appeal the decision. The annual renewal of liquor permits will be held on April 1 and April 15, 2008. Please inform Barb Kley if you have concerns on the issue.

City Priority request-Addresses projects that are paramount to the preservation and/or revitalization of each neighborhood. E-mail Barb Kley or other trustees with two or three items you consider most important for the city to consider for funding.

Barb Kley received an e-mail from "Eric" with concerns about discarded Kroger Carts in the neighborhood. She contacted Kroger's downtown office and is awaiting response.

There will be a neighborhood summit on Saturday, February 16, 2008 at the Cintas Center. Details are on the RCC website.

Christa from Chris Monzel's office informed the membership that there has been numerous complaints in his office lately about quality of life issues, particularly overflowing corner trash cans. His office is following up on complaints and concerns can be e-mailed to his office or CornerCan@gmail.com.

Citizens On Patrol training will begin on February 21, 2008. Contact Officer Terry Windeler if interested.

The Valley Courier is offering three month's advertising for \$20.00.

Pothole Problems-call 591-6000

Trashcan Problems-call 352-3640

Residents should be vigilant about discarded items in trash to avoid identity theft. Shred papers containing sensitive personal information.

8:57 - Meeting adjourned.