

**ROSELAWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 10, 2007**

7:30 p.m. - Barb Kley called the meeting to order and welcomed guests and visitors.

**SPECIAL REPORTS**

**Cincinnati Fire Report** - Lt. Duncan of Ladder 2 provided storage tips for lawnmowers, keeping oneself hydrated during the summer months, and grilling safety tips.

**Beechacres** - Robert Bell of the Beechacres Parenting Center described programs currently offered and their focus. They are offering the Healthy Marriage/Relationship program and the Parent Support Program. Allen Temple is one of their location sites.

Barb Kley explained e-mail procedures and sheets were provided for members to indicate their level of notification preference.

Robin Brandon of Cincinnati Public Schools shared information that the renovation planning team has done regarding **Roselawn/Condon School**. Work on the school will begin this summer. Jake Williams, an architect on the project, asked the membership to support variances requested from the city. Current variances restrict plans. The variances are:

1. Number of identification signs-new signage calls for them to be smaller and moved to a new site.
2. Maximum size of the front yard fence-CPS wants a 6 ft. fence, however, the city limits the size to 4 ft.
3. Parking in the front yard set-back-New parking requested will be about 20 ft. off the set-back limits. CPS needs additional set-back space.
4. Parking lot screening-a 4 ft. hedge or fence is limited by the city. An 18-24 ft. hedge is proposed by the architects for security.

A motion was made by Bob Ingberg to approve the variances. It was seconded by Paul Probst. Results of the vote were 17 affirmed, 2 opposed, and 2 abstentions. Motion carried. The baseball field equipment was discussed regarding salvaging it. Barb Kley will store it if salvageable.

**POLICE REPORT** - Sgts. School and Weber age stats for Roselawn. Crime was down in Part 1 and 2 crimes. An announcement was made regarding meeting held for the public at District 4 police station. Capt. Elliot Isaacs will replace Capt. Schmaltz on 5/20/07 and a farewell luncheon will be held for him next Friday at District 4. Roselawn Community Council will send him a note of appreciation. It was asked about the status of police monitoring on Stillwell Ave. There was no information about this but an inquiry will be made and reported later. In regards to the Roselawn substations, Officer Scholl reported that the officers do not have much chance to utilize them.

NEW CHARTER SCHOOL AT OMOS - Nick Kadel says that a new charter school, Cincinnati Leadership Academy is proposed to open at the old OMOS location. Their focus will be on core academic courses and service learning. They are due to open next school year and will house grades Kng. through 4th grades, possibly adding a grade each year. There will be a 150 student limit for the first year and slowly build enrollment. Student-teacher ratio will be 17-1.

Brian Garry introduced himself to the membership and informed the group that he is a candidate for Cincinnati City Council.

**CPOP** - Charles Houston informed the membership that CPOP has narrowed its concentration to ten neighborhoods which will not include Roselawn. However, they will still try to support Roselawn particularly around the Stillwell Ave.-New Bedford areas.

Minutes from the RCC meeting on April 12, 2007 were reviewed and amended to state that the motion addressing the Section Rd. zoning code change was seconded by Reginald Boggs and not Roy Jones. Approval followed the amendment.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**BEAUTIFICATION AND LITTER** - Bob Ingberg reported that there was almost 100 volunteers for the neighborhood clean-up project.

**LAW AND SAFETY** - Monica Plear stated the need for more CPOP participants from Roselawn. She will e-mail the dates of their meetings.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** - Mary Donaldson said that the website is being rebuilt and it will be more user-friendly and interactive. Network Solutions will be the host of the site. The next RCC newsletter will be put out in June or July.

**ROSELAWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION** - Regina Livers announced their next meeting will be on May 16, 2007 at 8:30 A.M. They are currently working on increasing membership and signage compliance in the business district. The next neighborhood dining-out activity is proposed at the Song Long Restaurant on June 21, 2007.

**OFFICER AND TRUSTEE ELECTIONS** - Paul Probst presented the slate of office nominees and ballots were provided to the paid membership.

**Trustees** - Regina Livers motioned to accept the trustee ballot as presented in writing for a 3 year term starting on 7/1/07. Steve Kirschner seconded the motion. Election results, For-22, Against-0. All were elected for the 7/2007 term.

**RCC Officers**-Regina Livers motioned to accept the candidates' ballot as presented in writing for a 1 year term starting on 7/1/07 and Mary Donaldson seconded. Candidates presented their views of Roselawn and vision for the future. Election results, For-24, Against-1. All were elected for the one year 7/2007 term.

Minutes were amended to include the following election results:

**For a three year trustee term, starting July 1, 2007:**

Tricia Davis                      Bob Ingberg                      Barbara Kley                      Ed Moser

**Officers for a one year term, starting July 1, 2007:**

President                      Barbara Kley  
Exec Vice President      Paul Probst  
Vice President              Jackiedra Wilson  
Vice President              Monica Plear  
Secretary                      Melvina Murdock  
Treasurer                      Bob Ingberg

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9:10 - Meeting Adjourned