

## KENNEDY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 15, 2003 Opened: 07:40 PM. Adjourned: 09:34. Attendance count was 49.

Joshua Swain, president, called the meeting to order.

Sheral Foster, secretary, read a summary of the March 18, 2003 minutes, which were accepted. Dianna Campbell requested that hard copies of the minutes be provided.

Bob Kamp's treasurer report for March was accepted. Funds Available - \$10,278(not including \$2,200 not yet deposited). Payouts by KHCC - \$-3,542. Paid to KHCC - \$+3,240

A motion was made and approved to accept the recommendations from the Executive Board as read by the Secretary from the minutes from the Executive Board meeting.

Officer Engleman and company reported progress for work on the drug related activities in our area. Officer Engleman advised that residents contact Officer Ibald at 513 979 4420 with any drug related issues or problems. Officer Engleman will provide "drug free zone signs" for certain areas. Officer Engleman advised residents: try to get license plate number when reporting incidents involving cars.; lock doors on homes, cars and garages; turn on lights and trim hedges near windows to reduce crime attempts. There is a "clean Sweep" every Tuesday where junk cars are removed. 513 979 4468.

Captain Bill Long (513 357 7596) reported that there were a total of 68 responses in March. His department can assist with the removal of graffiti in the area. Residents are advised to exercise caution when using grills. The distance from a structure is 15 feet for charcoal and 50 feet for gas. Captain Long will send a one page flyer for "Shelter in Place" (513 631 5575) to Noel and Kay for publication in the newsletter.

Kathy Spoon asked residents to support the new Kennedy Heights Art Center. There are needs for fund raisers, grant writers and artists of all sorts of venues. Please contact Kathy at 513 631 5575 to volunteer!

There was discussion about the motion to include in the elected officials the position of **Vice President for Community Planning**. After clarification that the new position is not a part of the succession to the presidency, a motion was carried without opposition to accept the proposed amendment to the constitution submitted by Ernie Barbeau, chair Comprehensive Community Planning Committee.

The President confirmed the appointment of Van Foster to chair the Commercial & Office Development Committee. Van announced that KHCC's Comprehensive Plan is now on record with the City of Cincinnati.

Five new committees were established at the Executive Committee meeting. Their purpose is to participate in the implementation of the community plan. The committees are Commercial and Office Development, Housing, Neighborhood Network and Welcome to the Neighborhood, Senior Citizens and Youth.

KHCC voted to ratify the Executive Committee's recommendation to contract with Kathy Spoon for the Fund Raising and Volunteerism positions. These are two of the four positions funded by the NSP grant.

The Executive Committee appointed the following persons as members of the nominating committee. Ernie Barbeau, Kathy Spoon and Van Foster. The Committee will present a slate of nominees for 2004 at the May KHCC meeting.

Mimi Gingold, is preparing a grant proposal to submit to Invest in Neighborhoods for one thousand dollars. If granted, KHCC voted to use the funds to assist the Ken Sil Baseball effort. Council approved the proposal without opposition.

Melissa Smith, Recreation Commission, announced the celebration at June Alexander Park on June 8. Various activities are planned including, games and grilling. An informal request was made for assistance with the funding for this effort.

Mimi Gingold, chair Beautification Committee, announced "Perennials and Pastries" at 6:30 PM before the next KHCC meeting. Residents are asked to exchange perennials and enjoy pastries. Residents advised to check the web for details. New KH Tee shirts are in the making.

Margaret Peyton, chair Education Committee, provided clarification on the PR school issue. She advised that the issue was not about KH but whether or not PR would be able to keep a school in the PR neighborhood.

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KH residents were advised that support signs for the School Bond Issue can be picked up from Ce /Duane Holm. Ce announced that a “car parade” in support of the issue will be held on May 4. Participants meet at 3 PM at the KHPC parking lot.

The president announced that PR is having Pleasant Ridge Day July 12 to July 13. Booth participants need to sign up before May 1 by contacting the event coordinator(Greg Hauser – 513 841 1559 or event chair (Roger Krummer 513 351 8916). The president has the details.

Kay Briggs, Coordinator, continues to work with the Amber Acres residents on their storm water concerns. KH residents expressed concerns that the Amber Acres residents were not at the KHCC meeting. Kay received 47 voice calls and 656 emails. Kay introduced Pastor Shandel Luther of the Rhema Word Church of God. The church is located at Montgomery and Coleridge. Pastor Luther’ s Church is hosting a carnival at the Kennedy/Montgomery property on May 2 (4 PM to 10 PM), May 3(Noon to 10 PM) and May 4(Noon to 6 PM). KH residents are invited to attend.

Josh Swain, chair, Health and Safety Committee reported that 6 site addresses were tuned in to the police for investigation.

Vice President, Noel Morgan, reminded us to use the web. He introduced Liz Hamilton, our web mistress.

The President adjourned the meeting at 9:34 PM.