

KENNEDY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 20, 2003 Opened: 07:38 PM. Adjourned: 09:51 PM. Attendance count was 59.

Joshua Swain, president, called the meeting to order.

The minutes from April 15, 2003 were accepted, copies of which were available.

Bob Kamp's treasurer report for April was accepted.

Funds Available - \$10,570, payouts by KHCC - \$-2134, paid to KHCC - \$+1,970, SAP RUN receipts \$5,010 and SAP RUN expenses \$1,401.

William "Buddy" Jackson is interested in the property on Montgomery and Kennedy where Richie's existed for the purpose of developing a drive through store where he would sell various items including **liquor**. He was advised to contact the Office and Commercial Development Committee for alternative ideas. KH Residents were strongly opposed to "another" alcoholic distributor in KH and across the street from the church.

Officers Engleman, Miller(Bike Patrol) and Blue together with Captain Curatin attended the meeting. Officer Engleman advised that residents contact Officer Ibal at 513 979 4420 with any drug related issues or problems. Radar is being set up in various areas i.e. Zinsle, Skyline, Aikenside. Officer Engleman will assist with any one wanting to start a "Block Watch" program. At 513 564 1785, contact Richard Thornbird(sp) about junk car removals. Officer Engleman's number is 513 979 4468. Captain Curatin advised that we be watchful and report undesirable activities.

Captain Bill Long (513 357 7596) reported that there were a total of 68 responses in April. Nationally we are at level orange and need to be prepared for an emergency event. Flyers were provided at the meeting. Storm water problems on Wyatt and Davenant were reported.

Councilman DeWine advised that we focus on the "crime rate" and on the quality of life issues. We need to allow officers to aggressively enforce the law and support them.

Jeffery Weidner said that COP's main goal for 2003 is to see every resident of KH get the gear, take the training and walk the beat. He advised that we get involved in the Sighting, Reporting and Dispersing of undesirable activities. The new ordinance will allow for arrests of individuals after they have been dispersed a given number of times. Copies of the ordinance were distributed.

Melissa Smith from the recreation commission said that flyers for swimming are available at Pleasant Ridge. Swim passes are \$8 and can be used at any CRC swim site. Dedication for the June Alexander Park will take place 6/8 at 2 PM. Features include light refreshments and an adolescent baseball game.

Mimi Gingold, beautification committee chair spoke about the SAP RUN success, walking in the neighborhood, litter clean up and the first Perennials and Pastries event. Residents were asked to take home remaining plants after the meeting. She asked folks to contact Kathy Spoon with "neighborhood" concerns.

Felix Baeare provided a contact number for concerns about renovating properties, 513 352 4846, please call with questions and concerns.

Margaret Peyton, chair of education committee, has resigned as KH rep from the Coalition of Neighborhoods. The president suggested that we appoint another rep to determine whether KH should continue to be involved with the Coalition of Neighborhoods.

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Van Foster, chair of the Nominating Committee, introduced his committee and read excerpts from the constitution about the nomination process. Van Foster, Kathy Spoon and Ernie Barbeau.

The committee had the following concerns and Recommendations for constitutional revision:

Insufficient time for recruiting

The slate should include several candidates for each position

The council should elect the nominating committee

No suspension of meetings in the summer months

Handouts were distributed that contain issues to be addressed at a later meeting and the current slate of officers.

This year, written ballots will be used for the election.

Candidates will be asked to speak to the council and submit a short 100 word or less bio to be posted on the web site.

Current slate for June election:

President: Noel Morgan and Joshua Swain

Vice President: Charles Clingman

VP for Community Planning: Mimi Gingold

Secretary: Sheral Foster

Treasurer: Bob Kamp

Noel Morgan, vice president, summarized the financial audit committee's report. The books balanced and recommended changes included better ledger accounts and better record of individual contributors.

Kay Briggs, Coordinator, continues to work with the Amber Acres residents on their storm water concerns. Kay introduced Mr. Martin who has concerns about safety in the neighborhood. The Police are addressing these issues: surveillance cam request for Northdale and Kennedy, drugs, robberies, prostitution, more lighting in Kennedy Park, parental accountability and loitering at bus stops.

The President adjourned the meeting at 9:51 PM.