

KENNEDY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 16, 2004 Opened: 07:45 PM. Adjourned: 09:29 PM. Attendance count – 37 (From sign-in sheet.)

Opening:

Noel Morgan, president, called the meeting to order and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reports and Comments:

The minutes from the February council meeting were approved as summarized by the secretary. Copies were available at the meeting.

Our treasurer, Bob Kamp, provided status that KHCC is in good status and needs to spend funds.

Announcements:

- ◆ Kathy Spoon said thanks to KHCC from the Art Center. There are lots of activities in progress and the center has been awarded various grants. Continued support will be appreciated.
- ◆ A representative from Art Works, Kathy, gave an overview of a summer program that has job opportunities for high school students ages 14 to 21. Flyers were available at the meeting and more information and applications can be obtained at www.artworkscincinnati.com. Interview sessions start April 17.
- ◆ Jeffery Weidner asked residents to review the newsletter article on Litter Magic and to sign up for COPS.
- ◆ Donna Faulk announced the Block Watch meeting at KHPC on Saturday (3/20) at 11 AM.
- ◆ Mimi Gingold announced that aerobics, at a recreation center, would be one of the options at the SAP Run this year.

Police Report:

Officer Engleman was accompanied by officers, Mitch and Blue and advised that there will be “Bike Patrol” in KH. They continue to hit the hot drug spots and need the residents to report suspicious activities at 382 2894. Clean up activities included the trailer being removed from Iona and the removal of 16 vehicles for the Red Bank Road property. The Ravenwood and Tyne location is being investigated. A crime prevention tips pamphlet was available to residents.

Fire Report:

Captain Long reported 5 fires, 50 EMS and 12 other response runs for February. He announced a Children’s Safety Fair at Sawyer Point on May 5.

A group of architects presented an overview of the plans for a new high school at Duck Creek and Eastwood. The Shroder Paideia Academy will be built on the site while classes continue at the old school.

Community Business Summary:

Charles Clingman, vice president, presented a verbal proposal that \$2,000.00 of the Invest funds be used for a “house to house” community survey to determine the community interests for education and business. The motion was moved, seconded and unanimously accepted at the meeting.

Committee Reports:

Beautification:

Mimi Gingold introduced, Diana Santos, a 20-year KH resident as the new committed chair.

CODC:

Valerie Butler reported that another appeal for the Beverage Cave failed. The committee is interviewing firms that submitted market study proposals on March 18 for the KM corridor and surrounding area. KH needs to act while the IDC (Interim District Control) is in place. Valerie also announced the zoning-planning meeting on April 5 at

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Centennial Plaza. Please call 513 293 9975 if you are interested. This appeals to area businesses and interested residents.

Constitution Review:

Ernie Barbeau (chair) distributed and reviewed briefly the proposed changes to the constitution. He stated that there will be a second reading in April and the intent is to request a vote at that time. In addition to the distributed changes, a motion was carried and unanimously approved to also

Remove lines 137, 138, 139 and 140 from the constitution as part of the changes to be voted on at the April meeting.

Education:

Ce Holm, told of the committee's 3 solution suggestions to propose to the Education Board to solve the problems of attendance area fragmentation and shrinking enrollments caused by too many school sites. They are as follows:

1 Combine Silverton and Kennedy Heights attendance areas to one. {Combine all students living in the city of Silverton and the Kennedy Heights neighborhood into one Attendance Area.

2 Build a combined neighborhood school for this combined attendance area at CPS' historic Montgomery and Kennedy site.

3 Renovate Woodford Magnet School and keep it as a Magnet School which will be racially balanced and open to students throughout Quadrant 3.

After Question and Discussion, a motion was made that KH send to the Education Board the 3 proposed solutions. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously. Residents agreed that if no response is given in a specific time frame, KH will need to go to the Education Board's meeting to make the concerns know.

Housing:

Mini Gingold provided Bruce Long's report. Bruce needs more members. Mimi asked for names of teenagers with Red Cross baby-sitting training to baby-sit for the KHCC meetings.

Recreation:

Karen Thomas is still in need of a coach for the 6-7 year olds. She has organized 4 teams so far and was commended by Mimi Gingold for her efforts. Melissa Smith announced Summer Day Camp registration at the PR Center.

Safety:

No report.

Closing:

There was no further business; the President adjourned the meeting.