

Kennedy Heights Community Council Meeting
May 17, 2022 - 7:30 PM

I. Minutes: Motion made by Caitlin, 2nd by Kate K. to accept the minutes. Ayes: 100%, Nays: 0%.

2. Safety (Off. Rice): Crime report given.

*Theft from auto: keep car doors locked.

*Spotlight: still waiting on tows to be completed. The Health Department will investigate since it's now private property. They will assess if there are hazards to animals, health hazards then the police will tow any remaining cars away.

3. Fire (Lt. Greg Jasper, Engine 31):

*Yard work – keep tools in proper working condition... No burning of dried leaves or branches.

*Stay hydrated to decrease the chances of heat stroke.

4. Treasurer's Report (Mary): Current budget presented.

A) Discussion regarding the newsletter:

*Newsletter cost is expensive – consider revamping it

*Ask for advertisements from the community

*Ask for patrons and include their names in the newsletter.

B) Vote to support Juneteenth (\$1,000) and Play in the Park (\$1,500)

*Question regarding KHCC hosting Juneteenth – Juneteenth is its own entity.

*Play in the Park was started in 2013 by Susan Wade Murphy. It runs from June – August, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 pm in Kennedy Park.

C) Vote to support Juneteenth and Play in the Park: Face to Face (9), Virtual (11) – Ayes: 100%, Nays: 0%.

5. Old Shroder Building Update: It has been sold to a developer, Vandercaar Properties.

*We are hopeful that they will be open to CBA – KHDC will take the lead, steering committee, public meetings.

*42 Units (KHCC/KHDC prefers) versus 72 units (developer prefers): patio homes, single family homes.

*No parking in the Shroder lot. It is now fenced off.

6. Work in Service: We have the Neighborhood Plan.

7. Grants (Mary): No deadlines currently. The parklet grant was denied, but there are other opportunities.

8. June Cookout Event (Samara & Abbie): June 4, 2-5 pm, Kennedy Park, rain or shine. A celebration of family, the park and the neighborhood.

*Volunteers needed. See the link in the chat box.

*Police, Fire, DJ, KHAC, inflatables (kids, teens, adults), FREE food, swag to purchase.

*Please bring a non-perishable item for The Caring Place.

*Limited parking for the set-up volunteers. Please carpool or walk if possible. Street parking is also available.

9. Parks Update (Kate Kern): To volunteer contact Kate at kkern@kennedyheights.org.

*Green-up Day at KH Park - entrance beds.

*Tot Lot Plans – make it bigger. We have applied for a grant.

*Drake Park Event – to meet and discuss a fall event. The Park Department will finance.

10. PARTNERS

A) Pleasant Ridge Community Center/CRC (Christian):

*Summer Time Program: Monday – Friday, 12-4 pm, \$30. Approximately 10 spots left.

Go to the CRC website to register.

*Life Guards: there is a desperate need so pools can be opened. A sign-on bonus is being offered.

*Health and Water event, May 28, Pleasant Ridge Pool, 10:30-2:30pm. Sponsored by CRC and CPS.

*Pickle Ball Social at Pleasant Ridge Pickle Ball Courts, Friday, May 20, 6-9 pm. Food truck and beverages.

*Pickle Ball lessons, Thursdays, 12-1:30 at the Pleasant Ridge pickle ball courts.

*No Saturday hours this summer.

B) Kennedy Heights Arts Center (KHAC): Yard signs are available to advertise the Community Days.

C) Neighborhood Schools (Sharifah): Summer Programs when school is out. Volunteer are needed. Contact the school

D) The Caring Place (Sharifah): Fan give away will be in June. Donations needed for new and gently used fans. Drop off items Tuesday or Thursday, 9 am – 2 pm.

E) OPEN COMMENTS

*(Lt.) **Greg Jasper** – New Sr. Pastor at Church of Christ of Kennedy Heights. Phone: 513-793-4309, email: preacher.jasper@gmail.com. Sunday service: 10:30 am, Wednesday Bible Study: 7:30 pm.

At 8:31 PM motion made and 2nd to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 100%.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peggy A. Brown, Secretary