

OAKLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Board Meeting, July 11, 2006

Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m. All Board members were present with exceptions of Shannon Adams (excused), Vince Schirmer (excused), Becky Stephens, and Dan Marshall.

Welcome and Announcements

- Speaker cards can be found on a table at the rear of the meeting room. Anyone wishing to speak needs to complete a speaker card and give to President.
- The OCC website is still being renovated.
- The community wide newsletter has been sent out.
- There will be no August meeting due to the National Night Out.

Standing Committee Reports

- Jim Assum reported as Crime & Safety Chairman. There is a new BBQ restaurant being opened next to Starbucks in Hyde Park Plaza, and they are applying for a liquor permit. We were also reminded to leave our porch lights on for safety and as a theft deterrent. There have been reports of people sleeping or running through yards on Verne Avenue.
- There were some beautification issues brought up in the business district. There are weeds growing around the trees on Madison, and there are landscaping issues with the Blue Manatee parking lot and Baba India. However, there have been improvements made at the CVS/Fresh Market location. Someone will follow up with Shannon Adams and ask for her help with the issues.

New Business

- Jeff McElravey from the City of Cincinnati Department of Economic Development and Katherine Keough-Jurs from the city Planning Department were present to review changes in the urban renewal plan.
 - Add residential
 - Revise to reflect changes in area
 - Kennedy Connector
 - Crossroads property - the portion that has the road running through it
 - Cast Fab
 - Corner of property (Crossroads) has already been designated planned development, but it needs to be changed on paper
- Dan Bennie made a motion to approve the change in zoning in the southeast corner of PD #36 and amend the Oakley North Urban Renewal Plan as recommended by city staff, including residential on the Millworks site and the residential/office/retail/manufacturing on Milacron and Cast Fab portion. Katie Carroll seconded the motion. All OCC trustees voted in agreement with the motion.
- The Oakley Community Council has been asked to consider a special exception for the construction of a car wash on a street other than the required arterial street on the subject property - 3015 Wasson Road.
- Ed Romero of 3036 Portsmouth spoke. The neighbors are opposed to the car wash

- and have obtained legal advice to fight this issue.
- There is a hearing on July 27, 2006 at 9am regarding this issue.
 - Katie Carroll made a motion to oppose granting a special exception and send a letter to Steve Kurtz stating opposition. Terry Garrard seconded the motion. All OCC trustees voted in agreement with the motion.
 - Dave Schaff asked the OCC to consider a motion regarding billboards. City Councilman Chris Monzel is bringing this motion before the Cincinnati City Council and has asked for the support of the OCC. The motion is to insert the words "residential district" in Section 895-5G, which would prohibit billboards "within 200 feet of a residential district".
 - Katie Carroll made a motion to support the Monzel proposed legislation and send a letter stating our support. John Heilman seconded the motion. All OCC trustees voted in agreement of the motion.

Minutes

- Katie Carroll made a motion, seconded by Beth Dziech to approve the June 2006 minutes. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- We will hold the treasurer's report until the September meeting.

Motion made by Katie Carroll, seconded by Beth Dziech to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Beth Dziech
Vice President