

OAKLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Board Meeting, March 7, 2006

Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. All Board members were present with exceptions of Beth Dziech who was excused.

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.
- New Board members are Dan Marshall who will serve as Communications Committee chair and Brent Van Lieu who will serve as Zoning Committee co-chair.
- Jim Assum has agreed to serve as the Safety & Crime Committee chair and work with District 2 on behalf of the OCC. Anyone wishing to contact Jim with a problem or question should call 969-1285 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Kate Herald has agreed to be the editor of the Oakley Voice newsletter.
- Tuesday, March 14, 2006, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., a meeting will be held at Two Centennial Plaza downtown to discuss establishing Park & Recreation Area zoning for Cincinnati.
- April 22, 2006 is the day for the Great American Cleanup efforts in Oakley. More details will be announced at the April 4 meeting of the OCC. At the conclusion of the cleanup efforts, RP McMurphy's will be having coffee, soda and pizza for participants.

Senior Citizen Liaison Report

- Jim Walls reported there will be an Alzheimer's Seminar coming up in late March and a blood pressure screening will be held on March 8.

District 2 Police Report

- Officers Hyob and Wayne along with Lt. Joe Williams were in attendance. Lt. Williams explained the new structure of the Police Department's community officer program. The program will be implemented on Sunday, March 12, 2006. There will be a primary and secondary contact officer for each of the 15 communities included in District 2.
- Transfers and new applications for liquor license - Jim Assum will investigate and work with Sgt. McCurley
- Neighborhood supervisor for Oakley - Sgt. Shirley Browner

Cincinnati Recreation Commission/CNAS

- Greg Pierson reported that Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be on April 8. Cost is \$5.00 per child. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 15 and is free and open to the public.

Standing Committee Reports

- Bob Luthy reported that the Steering Committee for the Gateway/Streetscape project for the Oakley Business District will be held on March 15 at 5:30 at

Richards Industries offices. Currently have 10-15 individuals interested in being on this committee. There will be periodic meetings with City of Cincinnati staff. OCC can submit a request for more grant money in June, but we have to spend the original grant monies first.

- Shannon Adams will be speaking to JoLynn Gustin, owner of the property where CVS and future Fresh Market are located, in regards to updating the landscaping along the front property line on Madison Road.

New Business

- Jeff McElravey from the City of Cincinnati Department of Economic Development presented information regarding the Millworks project. The traffic impact study has been completed. The developer is finalizing leasing documents with tenants. Finalizing of documents for bonds to be issued to cover cost of Kennedy Connector is also taking place. Developer hopes to bring presentation of traffic study and final site plan to the OCC at their April meeting. The next step would be the developer's presentation to the Planning Commission. Engineering and rights of way acquisition for the Kennedy Connector should take place in 2006 with construction slated to begin in 2007. Improvements on Ibsen Avenue will include widening of the street in the 3400 block and creation of a cul-de-sac at the top of the 3500 block at the Ridge Road intersection. City is actively trying to find a new site within Cincinnati to relocate Precision from 3520 Ibsen Avenue. If a site cannot be found within the City of Cincinnati, Precision would still be acquired and the project still moves forward. Tentatively, a public meeting will be held on April 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Jeff McElravey will let the OCC know if this date and time work for the developer and the City of Cincinnati to attend.
- WRNA would like the OCC to object the renewal of the 2006 liquor permit application by RP McMurphy's. The 2005 objection has not been resolved by the City and RP's. The City is still also objecting to the deck expansion and is appealing the courts decision to allow the deck. Officers Hyob and Wayne say the patrons leaving RP's are out of hand. Bob Luthy made a motion that the OCC object to the renewal of the 2006 application for a liquor permit for RP McMurphy's. Vince Schirmer seconded the motion. Official vote taken was: Yea - 3 Nay - 7. Motion did not pass so OCC will not object to the 2006 application for renewal of RP McMurphy's liquor permit. George Dyer and Jim Klei are looking at adding a second off duty officer for security at The Establishment and RP's next month. They will be meeting with Lt. Williams to discuss how off duty officer details can be directed to be most effective for the area.
- OCC Board would like to see the police division focus on other areas of Oakley other than Drake and Drakewood Avenues; are telephone calls or lack of calls received by police impacting where the police are focusing their efforts. Areas along Brotherton Road and Brownway and Robertson are having problems.
- Domain name for the Oakley website has been renewed for an additional 9 years.

NSP

- OCC will be voting on NSP budget at the April 4, 2006 meeting. The vote is being postponed this month. This vote will need to be advertised in the newspaper as required by Invest In Neighborhoods.

Minutes

- Katie Carroll made a motion, seconded by John Heilman to approve the February 2006 minutes. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- John Heilman made a motion, seconded by Vince Schirmer to approve the Treasurer's report. Passed unanimously.

Brent Van Lieu shared information that a zoning change request had been made for 3881 Paxton Avenue across from Kinko's. The zoning change was requested to accommodate a multi chair hair salon business. The applicant was told the OCC would not go along with such a zoning change request since current zoning is SF4 for single family dwellings.

Motion made by Vince Schirmer, seconded by John Heilman to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Becky Stephens
Secretary