**MACA Minutes June 2, 2015**

Meeting was called to order by President Jim McCarty at 7:05.

**Police Report:** Officer Doug Neack reported that 3 burglaries were on the Hill in the last 10 days. One was a forced entry and two were not. One had good information and is on Crimestoppers Tips. Capt. John was present along with another officer and a new officer from the lateral class. Questions Are Smash and Grabs up? ...No. Bar traffic on the weekends seems heavier. Problem taxis are following the procedures; Uber cars are not. Tavern Guild meets next week to discuss. Capt. John – in the works a plan for roving patrol cars to work on traffic. What is usually taken…TVs, cash, jewelry, and electronics. TIP: Write down all serial numbers of electronics, so that stolen property can be returned and not go to police auctions.

**Minutes:** Approved as in Grapevine and online moved by Tom Abare seconded by Chuck Curran

**President’s Report:**  MACA will sponsor a booth at the HCI Festival for $250. Volunteers may be needed to man booth. MACA appreciates the use of the community room for our monthly meetings. Mary Moran reported on the Keep Cincinnati Beautiful meeting just before this meeting. The program is designed for blight on private properties. Mt. Adams doesn’t fit the program Mt. Adams needs, since most of our overgrown areas (even the steps) are city or state owned. Any area that needs clean up, call the city 561-6000. The more calls the better! If it is steps name the steps and the streets that border the top and bottom. If you are walking and find an area that needs help, take a picture and send it to the city with street or address. This includes guardrails and potholes too.

**Vice Pres/ Planning and Development:** Kurt Meier handed out information covering IDC (Interim Development Control Overlay District). This can be used when current zoning doesn’t cover a development problem which entitles a community to require a developer to get community approval. P&D has written in that Mt. Adams is an Overlay District and that zoning applies in our zoning proposals. Tougher definitions of standards are written into the new code. Update on 1201 Elsinore development: no pending action at this time. Mt. Adams needs to continue its vigilance in all matters that may have a negative impact on the community. Contact Kurt Meier at kjmeier@fuse.net. Kurt suggested we send a letter to Vice Mayor David Mann for his support of Mt. Adams and the new IDC program. Also brought up was Hyde Park’s recent battle on Menlo to stop a house being torn down and two houses replacing it. Another issue brought up was the overlapping boundaries of neighborhoods. Basically the dispute has to be worked out between the neighborhoods. City will not get involved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Tom Abare ...Thanks to Eric Turner we got into our Pay Pal account and got $1,900 in memberships. We received $300 from the Flying Pig and $375 from Mt. Adams Walks. Waiting for Grapevine bill, and tree grate. We are in good shape.

**MABA…**Sue Zimmerman…The new gator has been named Zoomin’ Bloomin’ II. It is a great improvement and makes watering so much better. We need a couple of guys to move the business pot by the mural across the street. The current location is in construction area and is rarely seen due to parked cars. We have Smoke trees that need trimming and maybe a used mower for Mike Ferguson to cut grass at the Elsinore and Wareham garden.

**Clean, Safe and Attractive:** Jenny Ferneding …The grate is in and ready to be put in place. Towne properties will place the grate. It is in the works. Duke has patched the sidewalk by Sweetest Things. The Hatch St. metal plate is in the works to being repaired.

**Membership:**  Jim Horrigan… Memberships are still coming in. Also lifetime members are sending in additional donations.

**NSP:** Terri Abare…Nothing to report

**Business Guild:** Maryellen Horrigan HCI/Pilgrim Chapel Pancake Breakfast is back 6/15, HCI Golf outing June 20, HCI July 31 and Aug.1. Spring Artwalks were biggest yet… Two more in the Sept. and Oct. Holes from old utility poles are dangerous on Pavilion and St. Gregory referred to Towne. Question on Spaghetti wires on poles? Time Warner is responsible…If you have them on your street contact Maryellen Horrigan; she has a contact at Time Warner. Red Bull is on for Mt. Adams course has not yet been finalized. They are looking for nonprofits to man booths. Bridge opening and Streetscape completed a party to celebrate in the works penciled in for July 5. June 10-14 All Stars activities. Rehab of Holy Cross moving along Receptions has booked its first wedding reception for next May.

**Grapevine:** M’ellen Horrigan and Sue Zimmerman… The new issue is out…Extra copies can be found in businesses and the bank. We are getting more color due to ads wanting color. Expect a survey out on Marriage next month.

**Community Life:** Frank Obermeyer…Volunteers needed for Sept and Oct Art Walks. National Night Out Aug. 4. Mt Adams swimming pool is open as of June 2. Cinema in City June 25.

**Ida St. Bridge:**  Steve Gressel...Grading problem, so bridge was ground down, asphalt is done, Masonry coating needed…Lights need to be installed… road should be opened in two weeks…Lights installed by July 1.

**Roy Kreissl:**  HCI Festival…Tents, Games, Food, Music…Needs volunteers…Roy has sponsorship forms... June 14th HCI/Pilgrim Pancake Breakfast with omelets and more. We have a car for the Red Bull Soapbox race. It is a 1949 street car replica and volunteers for a race team needed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10.