**MACA Minutes June 5, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President, Kurt Meier at 7:03 pm. In attendance were officers- Frank Obermeyer, Tom Abare, and Sue Zimmerman.  Directors present were Pat Feghali, Janet Steiner, and Bill Moran.

Chris Burton from Water Works was there to answer questions. Arica Underwood, a candidate for Common Pleas Court Judge, was present and available for questions after the meeting.  Presenters were Wade Walcott, Director of Cincinnati Parks and Jennifer Spicer director of Cincinnati Parks Foundation.

**Police Report:**Capt. Davis and Sgt. Ward reported.  In May, Mt. Adams had three burglaries and two auto thefts.  Two houses were left unlocked. One car had a key fob inside it.  Questions and comments included the traffic noise created by motorcycles and cars with loud exhaust equipment speeding or racing after midnight.  Traffic is working on it but pursuing offenders can be a safety hazard. The particular streets mentioned were Baum, Eggleston, and Parkside. Offenders do get cited and do call in problems.  Hank Ward mentioned that in the new hires for the force nine were sons and daughters of current police officers.

**Minutes:**The minutes from May were approved.

**President’s Report:** Kurt cited Dave Zimmerman and Gail Seifert as volunteers of the month- Dave for helping Pete with mulch on the Martin Street Garden; Gail for her work on the gardens and all her volunteer work with the Park Board.

**Presentation by the Parks Board and Parks Foundation:** Wade Walcott is the new Park Board Director, he believes that we all have special memories that involved the parks. He pointed out that the positive impact of the parks includes quality of life, conservation, recycling, recreation, and a great equalizer since the parks are open to all.  Jennifer Spicer, the director of the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, explained the foundation is self-funding and a 501C philanthropic entity. They raise the funds to improve the parks – like Smale Park, upgrading parks in the neighborhoods, and other improvements.  We were reminded that Cincinnati is rated #7 in the country for the quality of our parks.

**Committee Reports:**

**Planning and Development:** No report

**Treasurer’s Report:**Tom Abare- May wasn’t a busy financial month. Received $1,000. Sponsorship from Monastery Event center
Paid for Mutt Mitts order (1st order since August 2017). $1,689. Paid consultant - Revitalization project, lighting strategy $500.
May 31 cash on hand $32,740.

**MABA:**Sue Zimmerman reported for Barb Timmins. All the business pots and the bridge were planted on June 2nd. Special thanks go to our planters: Sue Zimmerman, Mary Margaret Kindel, Gail Seifert, Evi Banzhaf McCord, Susan Chant, Charlotte Hahn, M’ellen Horrigan, Margaret Mock, Carolyn Moore, Roberta Teran and Debbie Weinstein. Our next meeting on June 12th will be at Lloyd’s Library on Plum Street starting at 6:00. We continue to grow and have welcomed three new members this month.

**Clean, Safe and Attractive:**No Report

**Membership:**Jim Horrigan… One Lifetime membership received.

**Neighborhood NSP Program:** No Report

**Business Guild Meeting:** Janet Steiner/M’ellen Horrigan- HCI Booth needs to be manned; sign-up sheet was passed out.  The valet parking area needs to be changed to 10 minute parking. Pat Sheppard wants businesses to help sponsor the new flower baskets. There will be need perhaps of a second watering vehicle. Currently MABA will water the baskets that are above the business pots. June 23 noon to 5 pm will be Art on the Hill at Upper Eden (1120 St. Gregory). This will highlight local artists – Linda Loschiavo, Margaret Mock, Peggy Murphy, and John Wilson. SPCA –Reindog Parade- there is a need to re-coop money from venders or perhaps charge for dogs to be in the parade…This was at the discussion stage.

**Grapevine:** Sue Zimmerman/ M’ellen Horrigan – The deadline for fall is August 1st.  The spring issue was very challenging because many people thought that the May 1 deadline was a suggestion.  Please get articles and ads in on time.

**Community Life:** Pat Feghali reported on Cinema in the City. The first film is *The Sandlot* with music by Comet Bluegrass All-Stars on June 8*. Elf* will be July 13 with the Sound Body Jazz Orchestra*. Labyrinth* will be August 10 with Jake Speed and the Freddies. All are on Fridays.  Sponsorship is still available.  Frank Obermeyer reminded everyone National Night Out is August 7th (the first Tuesday in August as always). It will be held in the Monastery Event Center parking lot.  Margaret Mock –Neighborhood Games- We have a Trivia team formed and adult and youth chess players. Still needed Stein holding, Corn Hole, Giant Jenga, Hula Hoop. She reminded us that Mt. Adams place 17th out of 52 neighborhoods last time.

**New Business:**

Mt. Adams Walking Tours are back.  May was the best ever. Dave McCabe is our fourth tour guide.

Bush Rec. Ctr. Vanessa Henderson- The Mt. Adams pool is open!  Leif Longstreth is the manager.  Swim lessons begin on Wednesday, June 6th.  Adult tokens are $35.00, Seniors, teens, and children tokens are $20.00.  Family memberships (up to 6 people) are $80.00.  Daily passes - 0 - 8yr old $1.00, youth 9 - 17 $2.00, adults $3.00.  Hours of operation include Mon - Thurs 1 - 7 pm and Fri - Sunday 1 - 6 pm.  For more information, please call Mt. Adams pool at 513-421-5073.

MAYC- Maureen Webb announced the 15th anniversary of the Yacht Club will be celebrating on Saturday with a B&B riverboat cruise. Sunday will be the Blessing of the Fleet at 12:15.

Brian Frank - Solarize – Wednesday, June 6, 6-8pm at Quincey’s.

 HCI- Golf event Saturday, June 16th Golf (golf fee, lunch, golf cart and dinner $110 per person/$440 foursome) Dinner only at 5:30 $20.00…HCI Festival Friday August 3/Saturday August 4 – 5:30pm to Midnight.

Pilgrim Chapel …Baseball Sunday July 8th the service is at 10:30 with a baseball theme and after the service a baseball themed lunch.

Motion to adjourn made by Lee Rasmussen; seconded by Larry Boberschmidt. Meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Submitted by Sue Zimmerman

**No MACA meeting in July; National Night Out August 7th.**