**MACA Minutes Dec. 1, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 from Immaculata Church and was also on Zoom. Officers in attendance  Frank Obermeyer, Sue Zimmerman. Directors in attendance: Judi Cettel, Nic Covey, Dan Weinstein, Steve Vogel, Jenny Ferneding,

**Police Report:**Officer Bockenstette two thefts from autos in November one on Wareham and one on Paradrome. The items taken were of little value, but Officer Bockenstette said she was glad that they were reported.  No damage was done to either car. She did mention that a suspect for the thefts over the last few months has been arrested. Steve Vogel asked about the car accident at the bottom of Hatch that took out a park bench and the guardrail. He wanted to make sure that the bench would be in the report, so it will be replaced. She will look at the report.  A status report about the street lamp hit by a semi on the corner of Hatch and St. Gregory was asked. Again, that will be looked into.  She said she has also asked for some stop signs to be redone. It was also suggested that a warning sign be put up at the bottom of Louden and Paradrome to warn semis that they shouldn’t turn.  This is the same area that a few years ago that cause damage to what is now the Hookah Corner Lounge. Also mentioned was the banners along Museum Drive have been damaged by the big windstorm and are flapping around.

**Cincinnati Recreation Commission:**Vanessa Henderson no report

**Approval of the Minutes:**Approved by Zoom watchers.

**President’s Report:**Frank said our last meeting was short due to the election and he didn’t get the chance to speak about Russ Ferneding leaving the due to term limits. Russ served 6 years as a director. He brought a lot to the table and he never shied away from an issue. He was very engaged in meetings. Frank thanked him for his service, and as tradition has it, he received a gift certificate for the Mt. Adams Grill and Blind Lemon. Russ thanked everyone and said what a great neighborhood that welcomes new people readily.  Frank mentioned that he had been scammed and it was not him who sent emails out asking for money.  Frank thanked the Mt. Adams Walking Tours for their check from all the tours they did this year.  Jim Steiner’s new book is out and for sale at Bow Tie, Crowley’s, the Bar and Grill, North Side Bank, and available at HillYes.org. The net proceeds after expenses will go to MACA.

**Treasurer’s Report:**Tom Abare was out of town and sent a report. Expenses: Halloween party $41.65.  Income two annual members Erica Spitzig and Brent Patterson -$20. Grapevine Ads $825.00. Mt. Adams Historic Walking Tours sent a check of $822.83 added to Paypal Payments means the yearly total is $972.83. Thanks to Margaret Mock and tour guides Tim Riordan, Dave McCabe, Chuck Curran, and Pete Djuric for the giving of their time and tips. Bob and Ann Works donated an “annual support” check of $500. Tom said such generosity leaves him speechless, but very happy to be part of this neighborhood.  Much Thanks to Ann and Bob.   Cash on hand $25.045.91.

**Committee Reports**

**Planning and Development:**Steve Vogel – There is a request from Adam’s Edge Apartments for a sign 12 feet by 2 feet to be lighted interiorly which requires a variance, so there will be an upcoming meeting on that.  The sign would be at the apex of Wareham and Elsinore.

**MABA:**Mary Margaret Kindel reported that MABA is currently decorating for the holidays. Last Saturday the Monk was decorated. The Ida Bridge, the troughs on Pavilion and the pots will be decorated.   December 20 is Luminary Night.  Street Captains will distribute flyers to the residences for people to place orders for kits.  After Dec. 14 kits will be for sale at Bow Tie. Kits are $10; they contain 10 bags, 10 candles and sand. The night starts at 5:30 and Santa comes to the Monk at 6.   There will be no meeting in December because that is typically our holiday party and due to COVID that can’t happen.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:**Jenny Ferneding reported that the graffiti on the Ida Street Bridge was removed and repainted by the city. Thanks to Steve Gressel for all his help.  The other repair of the bridge is completed and the flower box has been put back.

**Membership:**Jim Horrigan no report

**Community Life:**Margaret Mock   Frank mentioned that as a community we have had to cancel many events. There was talk of some kind of small Reindog but nothing is definite.

**Community Improvement:**Judi Cettel said the committee had nothing to report at this point.

**Other Reports:**

**NSP:** Julie Dietz reported that our 2021 proposal has been approved for about $8,000 and this year the city will be giving that out early in the year. Typically, NSP funds are distributed at the end of the year. Julie thanked Tom Abare, Sue Zimmerman, Debbie Weinstein and Frank Obermeyer for getting all the data to her in such a timely manner. Mark Dietz  is on the committee of all the neighborhoods, so he is finding out what other neighborhoods are doing.

**Busines Guild:** There was not meeting today

**Grapevine:** Maryellen Horrigan/ Sue Zimmerman- Sue reported that the winter issue is out and extra copies will be distributed soon. They will be working on the mailing lists with updates in January.  The spring issue deadline is February 1st.  There is now a subscription for the Grapevine for people who do not live in the 45202 Zip Code. For more information go to [mtadamscincy.org](http://mtadamscincy.org/)

**Mt. Adams Walking Tours:** Tours will be back in the spring.

**MAYC:** Frank made the comment that he knows two people who will be joining who both know their way around a boat and one owns a yacht.

**Cincinnati Art Club:**Gary Eith  The Annual Holiday Art  Sale is this week(Dec 4,5,6). It will be a little different this year. The Club hired Coit to deep clean the building.  People will need to wear a mask, and it will limit entrance to 10 people at a time.  There will be a free poster to the first 200 people.  There will be a raffle and more.

**Pilgrim:**no report

**Holy Cross-Immaculata:** Sunday they are celebrating 160th anniversary.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50

Submitted by Sue Zimmerman