

# MACA Meeting April 4, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Frank Obermeyer at HCI community room at 7 pm. Officers and directors present included Tom Abare, Sue Zimmerman, Judi Cettel, Ginny Corsini, Nic Covey, Steve Vogel, and Dan Weinstein.

**Police Report:** No report due to officers in Columbus for training.

**Firefighters Report:** Firefighter Jason Edwards reminded us to check smoke detectors. Smoke detectors are available at the Red Cross and Fire Stations. It is possible to get help to install the detectors. Things discussed were about the many runs up to Mt. Adams which turns out to be medical runs not for fires. In fact, about 85% of 911 runs are medical. The fire truck is equipped like an ER. Typically, six people are on a run. Another question was about getting help installing children's car seats. It turns out that only two firehouses have certified people. No longer functioning fire extinguishers may be dropped off at fire stations.

**Cincinnati Rec. Commission:** Vanessa Henderson told of several events. The Sport Sampler for 4–5-year-olds on Wednesdays 6-7:15 pm, Spring Open Pickleball, Adult Women's Basketball at Corryville Rec. March 2<sup>nd</sup> to May 25, River Trek July 24-28. For more information [www.cincyrec.org](http://www.cincyrec.org). The pool openings are still in the works. They need more lifeguards. They may try to work a rolling brown out system to get all pools open.

**Minutes:** The March minutes were approved,

**President's Report:** Frank said that the Mt. Adams Walking Tours requested \$500 to advertise the walks to boost the number of people participating. The directors approved. Frank explained the need for volunteers to help with all the events that MACA does such as the Easter Egg Hunt, Party after Art, Invest in Neighborhoods representative, other meetings too, National Night Out, Clean Safe and Attractive, and more. Interested in helping contact Frank. MACA is placing a half page ad in the final program of the season welcoming the Playhouse back to Mt. Adams. The On the Hill group is trying to get a Grant Proposal for Gateway Signage from CNBDU. (Organization for promoting Cincinnati neighborhoods) In order to submit the grant proposal MACA must submit our meeting attendance and vote to support for the grant proposal. Janet Steiner moved to support the grant proposal and Maryellen Horrigan seconded. The vote was unanimous for the proposal. An Issue was discussed about the streets and sidewalks poor condition on the Hill. Russ Ferneding has been working on getting the Hill to improve the situation and at past meetings he had city representatives at our meetings explain the system and help to improve. But it would be beneficial for individuals report problems by calling **311** or email [311Cincy.com](mailto:311Cincy.com) (Cincinnati City Services) for resolution of non-emergency issues. It was mentioned that the hole in the sidewalk in front of El Barrel has been repaired thanks to the people who reported it. Remember the squeaky wheel gets the oil so to speak.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tom Abare reported that we have received NSP funds of \$9,800 and thanked Julie Dietz for filing all the forms etc. MACA paid \$2,300 for printing and distribution of the Spring Grapevine. Current balance is \$52,000. Tom announced he is retiring his position. Marilyn Ormsbee has volunteered to fill in for Tom's remaining term. Tom has been the treasurer for ten years. He has dealt with contracts, official letters, insurance, and so much more. Tom was presented with the honor of his name to be added to the Exemplar Plaque on St. Gregory near Bow Tie in appreciation for all his work. We thank him for his stellar work.

**Planning and Development:** Steve Vogel had nothing to report.

**MABA:** Margaret Mock thanked Debbie Weinstein and Dave Zimmerman for a successful Spring Clean Up April 1. The weather was good, and many people came to clean up the Hill before the Good Friday praying of the steps. Also, the pansies have been planted on the Ida Street Bridge and the flower boxes on Pavilion. Also thanks to Pete

and Jean for the planting of pansies at the Hill/ Martin garden. Next MABA meeting is Tuesday, April 11 at Hill Top at 6:30.

**Clean, Safe, and Attractive:** Jenny Ferneding reported two burned out lights on the Ida Street Bridge; they have been fixed. Also, mentioned was the need to a NO ENTRY sign on Paradome since cars are going up the one way street.

**Membership:** John Corsini said there were no new members.

**Community Life:** The Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday April 8 at 11 am in the Magnolia garden by Krohn,

**NSP:** We have received \$9,800.

**Business Guild Meeting:** Maryellen Horrigan reported Crowley's St. Patrick's Day was the biggest ever. Hill Top will open at 2 pm on Good Friday. Dylan Sears has left Bow Tie, and Kay Marshall is now in charge. Your Mom's Pizza is planning to open April 20. Art on the Hill is April 8. HCI golf outing is June 17<sup>th</sup>. World Glass is open 5 -1 and closed Monday and Tuesday.

**Grapevine:** Summer deadline is May 1. This will be the last issue for Maryellen and Sue. It's been 15 years since they started publishing. Summer issue will be out June 1.

**Walking Tours:** Tours will start the first Sunday in May.

**Art Club:** Founders Week will be April 28, 29, and 30. There will be art from the founders and current members/

**Mt. Adams Yacht Club:** Spring meeting is April 19 5:30 – 8 pm at the Hilltop.

**Pilgrim Chapel:** Maundy Thursday Dinner and Last Supper Worship April 8. Easter Sunday Worship 10:30 am. CPR and AED class tentatively 1 pm April 23. "My Near Death Experience" Led by UCC minister and author Rev. Howard Strom Sunday, May 21, "How to Talk to Your Doctor" by Dr. Peter Ruhlman oncologist/hematologist 1 pm Sunday June 25.

**Holy Cross Immaculata:** Thursday Mass at 7pm. Blessing of the stairs at Midnight. Good Friday Praying of the Steps. Fish Fry 3pm to 7pm. Easter mass at 9am and 11am. 2023 HCI -Mt. Adams Golf June 17. Contact Jim Horrigan at [jhorrigan1@cinci.rr.com](mailto:jhorrigan1@cinci.rr.com). or call HCI. Office 513-721-6544.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07

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