

MACA Minutes November 7, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Frank Obermeyer at the Community Room of HCI. Directors and officers present included Judi, Ginny Corsini, Nic Covey, Tina Russo, Dan Weinstein, Frank Obermeyer, and Sue Zimmerman.

Police Report: Officer Johnson reported one auto theft on Ida Street. It happened because the thief made a connection to the keys in the residence. However, the car only went a short distance and automatically turned off. Four cars on Celestial had window damage. A camera has been installed in the area. Chief Theetge enjoyed the neighborhood meeting at Bow Tie Café. There was a question about what to do when a B&B causes a lot of noise and management does nothing about it. The answer is to call the police every time the problem occurs.

Cincinnati Rec Commission: Vanessa Henderson sent in the information. CRC is currently hiring part-time positions – Municipal Worker (duties include general cleaning and maintenance.) Recreation specialist (After School programs for children and teens). Visit the website cincyrec.org. Bush hours Monday-Friday 11am to 8 pm. The center will be closed Veterans' Day 11/10, Thanksgiving Day 11/23 and Friday 11/24. Can Good Food Drive is Nov. 1-17. Donated Goods will be given to the neighborhood, pantries. Bush Toy Drive is Nov. 1 – Dec. 15th. Please drop off new toys at Bush for school aged children (K-8th grade). The Winter Programs include Pickleball, Indoor Walking, Snow Boarding/Ski (ages 10-17) at Perfect North and more. Call 513-357-7665.

Minutes for October 3rd were approved as sent out via email.

President's Report: Frank thanked the people who attended the meet the Chief at Bow Tie. He thanked all who made the Halloween Celebration at Bow Tie. Lee Taylor was in charge, and it was a huge success. Thursday, Nov. 16th is Beaujolais Nouveau 2023. At 6:30 The starting point is the parking lot of The Rookwood (Monastery and Celestial). At 6:45 the parade starts and goes across Ida St. Bridge to the Monk Fountain with live music. 7pm Glasses of the celebrated Beaujolais 2023 is poured in front of Bow Tie and the Monk. Tasting and toast with Revel Master Winemaker Alex Sena at 7:15 the Beaujolais Celebration continues at Hi-Fi. Reindog Parade is Dec. 9th. Saturday, Nov. 11 – Dec. 10 The St. Vincent DePaul Coat Drive. Drop off new or used coats, mittens, hats at the bin in Bow Tie Café. Saturday, November 18 Upper Eden will celebrate 12 years. Linda Laschiavo has planned a party 4-9pm. Come and enjoy the party and 15% discount on merchandise. There will be no guest speaker for the December meeting.

Election of Director: Steve Vogel is up for election for his second 3-year term. All other current directors are still in a term. The vote was a unanimous Yes. Directors are elected by members. Officers are elected by the Directors. There is a need for officers. If you are interested, talk to Frank. Sue Zimmerman is leaving the secretary position. Janet Steiner has volunteered to be the interim secretary.

Treasurer's Report: Marilyn was busy. Frank reported a balance of \$60,000.

Planning and development: Nothing to report.

MABA: Margaret Hylton said the next meeting was Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 6 pm at Hilltop. December 13 is the Holiday party for members and a plus one at World Glass. It was a great year for the gardens, and a lot of watering. Luminaria Night is Dec. 17. Gather at the Monk at 6 pm. Order forms for luminaria kits will be distributed after Thanksgiving. New this year is Deck the Hill a décor competition for condo/ Apartments, Residences, and Businesses for the best holiday decorations. Robinson Southerby is helping MABA sponsor the competition. The best in the category will get a prize of \$100. Flyers will be distributed with details. December 2 will be decorate the Monk. People will be needed to help; meet at 9:30. Ida Street Bridge will be decorated with greenery. If you have extra let Tina Russo know. Meet at the Monk on Luminaria night Dec. 17 at 6 pm.

Clean, Safe and Attractive: No report

Membership: John Corsini said no new members.

Community Events: Frank listed many in his report. Margaret Hylton said that Mt. Adams Walking Tours are finished for the season. MACA is getting \$900 from the tours. Chuck won the tips contest with \$108 also donated to MACA.c

Community Improvement Projects: Judi Cettel reported the Gateway Signage project is making progress. We got the City grant. The city graphic designer met with some of the On the Hill group to get a better idea of what Mt. Adams really is. She was impressed as she walked the neighborhood and read Jim Steiner's Mt. Adams: A History and some other books. Some ideas have been discussed. It is planned to have the ideas shown at the January 2nd meeting.

Business Guild: Frank attended the meeting. Towne is looking to stage Tavern on the Hill to get it occupied. There have been some bids to replace the tree iron grates. The question asked was about the dog wash. It is still working on getting the correct papers to open,

Grapevine: Terri Abare said they are in the process of production and getting ready to print.

Mt. Adams Yacht Club: The annual meeting is Nov. 15th at Hi-Fi at 5:30 -8 pm.

Cincinnati Art Club: Nov. 10 (this Friday) Show of Photography opens at 6-9 pm and Saturday and Sunday 1-4. This is a new endeavor. Also the fundraising for the renovation is going well.

Pilgrim Chapel: A seminar Nov. 19 at 12:30 an Elder Law Workshop (Top Ten Mistakes Elders Make Financial Planning). Advent Harp Concert Dec,10 12:30 by Dr. Diane Schneider.

Holy Cross Immaculata: New kneelers are great!

Friends Giving: Nov. 11th at Crowley's A Potluck Fundraiser 6 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50

Submitted by Sue Zimmerman