

MINUTES

Berwick Civic Association

7 February 2017

Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1555 S James Rd., Columbus, OH 43227

Officers and Trustees in Attendance:

Candace Bauer
Angie Black
Bruce Black, President
Fred Buttle
Terrence Carter
Liz Cook
Shirley Harper
Sheryl Owens
Hannah Paschall
Todd Perlman
Carolyn Petty, Vice President
James Russell
Jennifer Sanders, Treasurer
Erliene Shavers
Carly Woodrow, Secretary

Residents in Attendance:

Diane Brobeck
Andy Ingraham Dwyer
David Eidelberg
Bob Lane
Bobbie Powell
George Powell
Jean Southworth

Special Guest:

Candelaria Mota

Prior to the meeting being called to order, **Officer Scott said that this would be his last week as our Community Liaison Officer**, as he is transferring to the CPD motorcycle unit. He promised to keep an eye on the neighborhood going forward and said it had been nice to work with the BCA. A new CLO will be assigned to the area, though Officer Scott was still unaware who that would be.

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:29 p.m.
2. **Special Guest:** Candelaria (Candy) Mota, Assistant Director of National Youth Advocate Program's Center for Adolescents and Families on Livingston Ave., gave a brief presentation about her work and their goals of helping children and families. The Center is in need of foster families and mentors. Candy left behind literature; for more info, she can be reached at (614) 227-9420 or cmota@nyap.org, or visit www.nyap.org.
3. **Overview of Minutes :** this was omitted, as no formal minutes are recorded at the annual meeting in November.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Jennifer Sanders reported three months' worth of financial reports, with a balance in checking of \$4,467.15, and a balance in savings of \$5,029.58. Angie moved, and Andy seconded, to approve the report as presented. The motion carried.
5. **Membership Report:** Sal Piazza was absent and had not forwarded an official report, though it was noted that there were 190 paid association members as of October, and records indicate 39 members paid dues for November 2016-November 2017. Another 5 members submitted dues at this meeting.

6. **Communication Report:** Terrence Carter reported that PayPal has been set up on 614Berwick.com to accept membership dues and donations online. He also reminded all in attendance that, in addition to the website, residents can contact the BCA by calling 614-Berwick (that's 614-237-9425). Terrence expects the annual newsletter to go out in early April and welcomes all to submit articles for consideration and inclusion. The deadline for articles is 31 March.
7. **Community Cleanups:** Carly reported that there will be an increased number of cleanups this year, with a total of 7 cleanups scheduled. The dates are 3/25, 4/23, 5/20, 8/5, 9/10, 10/14, and 11/11. Times and meeting locations will be announced soon.
8. **Old Business**
 - a. **Bylaws Changes:** This matter was tabled and will be undertaken under a new president.
9. **New Business and Announcements**
 - a. **Updates from the President:**
 - a1. Bruce shared **some updates on road work going on in the area**, including the addition of an overpass at College Ave. and Petzinger Road, where the removal of the traffic light at the same intersection is also under consideration.
 - a2. Bruce **urged all residents to call 311 (that's 614-645-3111) to report nuisance properties**, particularly the building at the southeast corner of Livingston and Alum Creek (formerly Buckeye Fried Chicken), which is now plagued by high grass, graffiti, and garbage.
 - a3. The MACC encourages all concerned citizens to join their **campaign against Lounge 13/ Klub 57**, located at 1311 Beechwood Rd. Bruce reported that the lounge is a huge nuisance and attracts crime and violence. The club's liquor license is up for renewal; you can contact the City Attorney, Richard Pfeiffer, to speak out against this. Contact info: 77 N. Front St., Columbus, OH 43215; (614) 645-7385; or email at rcpfeiffer@columbus.gov.
 - b. **Resignations:** Bruce Black will be stepping down as President; Angie Black announced she is resigning her position as Trustee; Carly Woodrow announced that John Woodrow must also resign his position as Trustee.
 - c. **Election of New President:** Bruce solicited volunteers who might be interested in taking over his seat as President. Angie nominated Carly Woodrow as new president. Carly agreed she would be willing to serve. Angie Black moved, and Shirley Harper seconded, to elect Carly Woodrow as the new President of the BCA. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Renee Weldy had commissioned a plaque for Bruce Black to commemorate his sixteen years of dedication and service to the BCA. It was presented by Hannah Paschall prior to adjournment.

10. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.