

## **Country Club Hills/Twin Lakes Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes**

**Date: November 27, 2017**

**Location: 840 Yorkshire Dr.**

**Welcome and Call to Order:** Attending: Roy Baldrige, Jen Gast, Becky Butterfield, Ted Nusbaum, Dianne Carter and Van Spragg

**Secretary's Report:** Dianne moved to accept the Minutes of the September 25 meeting and Van second. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** There is currently \$2112.92 in the checking account. As of the 4th quarter there were 151 dues paying households. That is the lowest amount since 2010. Ted moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Van second. Motion passed.

-- Thanks go out to Jen for her service as Treasurer since 2010. She will be stepping down as of the end of December. The new Treasurer will be Ted Nusbaum. Jen will help Ted's transition to the position.

-- Discussion: Signing up for a fundraiser with Texas Roadhouse. If mentioning that you are there and are from CCHTL when dining, they would give money to the association. This concept could be incorporated with canvassing the neighbors for memberships.

-- The Charitable Registration with the Ohio Attorney General's office (OAG) must be submitted online by May 15. Roy will file it. There is a \$50/year fee. Roy, Craig and Ted will have their names on the file to insure that there is a contact if someone fails to file.

--Roy will file the Federal Tax Return online. The property taxes are exempt.

**Charitable Giving Agreement (CGA):** Larry Huffman received our request regarding our CGA with Lima Legionnaire Charities (LLC). They will keep it on file. It was determined that we are a qualifying non-profit organization that they would support. However, at the present time, they only have funds to support their current charities. If they receive additional funds, they will send us a donation (with an invoice for rent). If we receive donations, they will be earmarked for park improvements.

**Trustee Recruiting and Nominations:** Dianne and Becky have agreed to run again. Erin Koenig will be added to the ballot. 3 vacancies and 1 unexpired term need to be filled.

**Christmas Decorating Contest:** Judging will be held on Sunday, December 17 by independent judges from outside of our neighborhood. Craig will chair the project.

**Devonshire Gateway Wall Repair Report:** The wall has been repaired. One post had a bar in it that was removed so that they would match. It hasn't been painted yet. There is a new bush. Thanks go out to insurance agent Ty Butterfield for his assistance.

**Zoning Appeals Hearing for 102 Devonshire Dr.:** The Edward Jones sign is on the Conley building. It is illuminated but is not too bright. They cannot put up any other signs on the outside of the building.

**Ottawa River Walkway Connector to CCHTL:** Plan C: Roy is working with Kevin Haver. The plan is to go along the tree line starting at the railroad tracks on Roush Road going east. There is an access road at Tony Nose Cemetery. The path would cross Reservoir Rd. and continue east and west on the south side of the road. There is possible grant money for this project.

**Valley Way Park Issues:** Fill dirt and seed are needed where a tree was removed.

--There are no more replacement swing seats. They are \$13 each. Roy will check about free shipping and will buy accordingly.

--Weed killer is needed in the spring for the walking path.

--The bench is tied down and is ok with the heavy rains.

**Adopt-A-Neighborhood Clean-up Program:** The Allen County Soil and Water Conservation District is sponsoring this in conjunction with the Adopt-A-Roadway program. We have agreed to participate. Volunteers adopt a specific area (we decide where to clean) and commit to conducting a litter clean-up event at least two times per year. Trash bags will be provided. Individuals, community groups, families and clubs are all welcome to participate. As part of the program, "Plant Pride...Not Litter" road signs will be installed at the Gateway entrances of the neighborhood.

**Little Free Library in Valley Way Park:** It has been built and is mostly painted. It will be secured on the northeast post of the shelter house.

**Neighborhood Concerns:** According to Fire Chief Joe Kitchen, there was a break-in in the 500 block of Fenway. The garage door was open and a purse was stolen.

-- There is concern about numerous "Garage Sale" signs at the Gateway at times.

-- Roy will send an e-mail reminder that leaf pick-up is over. There are still a lot of leaves.

Resource Recycling on Neubrecht Rd. will take them at no charge. They can also be bagged and put out with your garbage. A fee may apply.

**For the Good of the Order:** The next Newsletter will go to the printer on November 28.

**-- NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 2018, AT 7:00 P.M. AT ROY'S HOUSE, 840 YORKSHIRE DR. Please to encourage neighbors to attend.**

**Adjournment:** Van moved to adjourn the meeting. Jen second. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Minutes prepared by Becky Butterfield.