

# GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 4, 2019, 7 pm The Roger Robach Community Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Meeting called to order by President Jonathan Hardin at 7:00 pm. *CCA Board in Attendance:* Secretary Rose Mary Shaw, Treasurer Patti O'Brien, Directors Sue Roethel and Linda Litwak. The entire board was in attendance. There were approximately 31 members and guests in attendance.

Welcome; Pledge of Allegiance

President Jonathan Hardin began the meeting by referencing the decision last month to investigate and work with all parties to find out more about the problems that some of the students at the leadership academy are causing for the neighborhood. He announced that a roundtable discussion will be held on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 10:15 PM at LAYM. The public is welcome to join, groups that will be represented, Principal Moore, and other staff, RCSD administrators, RCSD School Board, RTS, Molly Clifford, RPD, Pathways to Peace as well as CCA.

Dr. Carmichael from RCSD was introduced to explain what steps have been taken so far. The major difficulty to be rectified is students leaving buses at other stops than the school. It is approximately 20 young men who are doing this. Frequently stopping to get breakfast or coffee at one of the establishments near Denise Rd and then walking on to school. Sometimes they get side tracked on the way and wander into yards and porches, causing a nuisance or being confrontational with neighborhood residents.

- The students can not be stopped from leaving the bus at stops other than the school, RTS is providing public transportation.
- Once the students were identified the school and administration started to work on finding solutions to encourage these young men to go directly to school.
  - Individual parent meetings were held.
  - Alternative programs and counseling are being provided.
  - A last step if no improvement would be suspension of the student's bus privilege.

Cynthia Elliott from the School Board was introduced. She suggested that as a community we should work to develop relationships with the school and students. Find ways to include them in community events. Remember that they are children.

Comments from floor:

• The CCA has what we feel is a good relationship with the school, and we partner with the JROTC program to provide them with support while at the same time they help us at events and are included in them.



• We have always worked with the school; the problem may partly be that the principal changes frequently and a new relationship must be built. The community is committed to keeping a school in this area.

## CITY OF ROCHESTER UPDATES

Rochester Police Department (RPD) – Lt. Radke, Crime Prevention Officer NSC

- $\circ$   $\;$  Since last month there have been one burglary and six larcenies.
- On January 6 several young adults chose to resolve their differences on Pettin Street.
- PCIC meeting at Aquinas, Feb 19 7PM
- Darren Jones has been convicted of the murder which took place in the Abbotts parking lot. Case closed.
- Some members questioned some Facebook pages that purport to present criminal activity. Lt. Radke cautioned that only the official information channels will have the facts. Anything else should not be supposed absolute.

Rochester Fire Department (RFD) Engine 19 - Capt. Scott Daily-

- Reminded us of winter safety, be sure your vents are not blocked by snow.
- Please shovel around hydrants if you can.

Northwest Neighborhood Service Center (NSC) – Tammy Herron

- Community Outreach event will be on July 19 at Ontario Beach.
- City has several events to celebrate black history month.
- Town Harbor Apartments, still renovating, some inspections are complete, and some are no occupied. No date for final completion.
- No sure when Bill Gray's will open at the port. Tammy is meeting on 2/22 with the owner.
- Still working on enforcement with Lakesider's but difficult to contact the owner
- Plans are underway to add benches and a grill and some other equipment to Brewster Park.
- Question from floor, has construction begun yet on the new Service Center? No, it has not.

City Council NW Representative - Molly Clifford

- There are two responses to the RFP. One is PathStone and on is a firm from Indiana.
- Thanks to CCA and Jonathan for organizing the discussion on the leadership academy.
- On the agenda this month expansion of the police body camera program.
- Police accountability Board: One forum was cancelled due to weather and will be rescheduled.
- Working on an electronic recycling program.
- Molly has decided not to seek reelection.

### NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATES

Fred Amato for OBPPC and Lighthouse

- OBPPC event Lakeside Winter Celebration February 9-10
  - Chili Challenge
  - Hike on Saturday
  - Neal VanDusen Band
  - Fireworks at 5:45 Saturday

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Polar Plunge on Sunday

Patty Anthony for Senator Robach

- Governor has presented his budget
- Setting up this year's recycling events and Women's Health Fair

Tony Micciche- County Legislator

- The funding for early childhood intervention services continues to be before the legislature. We have not added any new providers or increased their pay in some time. We are now down to seven providers from a high of about thirty-five. There is still a very long waiting list of those seeking help.
- o Attended Rotary International Ziti Dinner

Brian Labigan for Athletic Association

Sign up for Youth Baseball taking place in March. Flyers are on the table.

Pat Conner with the Rochester Public Library introduced herself as a new community Liaison.

#### BOARD REPORTS

President's Report:

- We will participate in Winter festival by selling bagels and water on Saturday.
- Thank you to all our new sponsors and especially Windjammer's which has given us \$1100 to help continue our work.
- We have received a "NeighborGood Grant" of \$2500 which will be used to hang banners along Lake Ave. and for beautification projects.
- We need volunteers to fill board positions and to help with communication if anyone is interested please contact someone on the board.

Vice President's Report:

• Jose Peo announced that he is running for the City Council position and therefore must take a leave of absence from the CCA Board as required by our by-laws.

Treasurer's Report:

• Patti O'Brien reported Monthly income of \$4322.70 Monthly Expense of \$255.72, and a balance of \$21, 553.36. Detail is attached.

Committee Reports:

- Community Development Committee Report:
  - Committee is moving on to other parts of the Vision Plan to see what can immediately get attention.
  - Meeting monthly on the Second Tuesday.

Adjournment – 8:25 pm



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2/9-10/19 Winter Fest and Polar Plunge
- 2/18/19 BOD Meeting, 6:30, 75 Stutson St.
- 3/4/19 General Meeting, 7 PM Robach Center
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