



Merion Village Association

Meeting Minutes: November 4, 2015

DESCRIPTION: Monthly Association Meeting

LOCATION: 1330 S. Fourth Street, Columbus, OH 43206

MEETING DURATION: 7:20 PM – 8:10 PM

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

- PRESIDENT: Tony Roell (TRoell@MerionVillage.org)
- VICE PRESIDENT: Coda Bruce (CBruce@MerionVillage.org)
- SECRETARY: Jessica Norman (JNorman@MerionVillage.org)
- MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Nicholas Jenior (NJenior@MerionVillage.org)

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

- TREASURER: Michele Audetat (MAudetat@MerionVillage.org)

TOPIC: MVA Board Elections

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: Board elections were held at this meeting for Secretary, Treasurer and Member-at-Large positions. Jessica Norman re-ran for Secretary, Allison Willford ran for Treasurer and Nicholas Jenior ran for our Member-at-Large position. All candidates were re-elected unanimously by the MVA members in attendance.

VOTING RESULTS: APPROVED/REJECTED (SUPPORT: 21 / OPPOSE: 0 / ABSTAIN: 0)

TOPIC: Treasurer's Report (Presented by Tony Roell)

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: Tony provided an overview of the monthly report provided to all those in attendance.

TOPIC: Merion Village Information Center

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: At the January MVA meeting, we will begin the discussion about the Info. Center and our future plans for the space.

TOPIC: MVA Committees

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: The board is launching several new committees which will help us gather additional manpower and give attention to areas that are important to our residents. Current committees include Education, Business Development, Neighborhood Welcome, Beautification and Social. If you have ideas, concerns or suggestions or would like to be part of a committee, please e-mail Coda at CBruce@MerionVillage.org

TOPIC: MVA Membership Renewals

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: It's time to renew your MVA memberships before the deadline on December 31st! Visit our website at www.MerionVillage.org for easy registration.

TOPIC: Pocket Park at Morrill and Bruck

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: We will have a special meeting on November 23rd at 6:30 in the Reeb Center to discuss the future of the Pocket Park. We encourage anyone who is interested in this park or project to stop by. The person who currently has the lease through the City is happy to work with the committee to improve this lot.

TOPIC: Neighborhood Beautification Efforts

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: Coda and Jeff are picking up the planters around the neighborhood plants are dying off. We got a call from the City who will be replacing the trash cans in Moeller Park free of charge, so we will be repurposing the funds we received through our United Way grant for this project. Tony is still working on this issue with the City trying to get more information and get the repairs and replacements expedited and resolved.



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TOPIC: Meet Local / Buy Local Events

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: We will have our next event at Tatoheads on Wednesday, November 18th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. This event is called potatoes and pints. We will share more information on Facebook, Twitter, the website and Instagram. Bake Me Happy will host a Pie Baking Experience in connection with their “Merry in the Village” craft bazar and events. All tickets for the pie baking event will be pre-sale only.

TOPIC: Southside Area Commission Report (Presented by Erin Synk)

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: Erin Synk needs your support to be reelected! Vote on November 14th at the Barrack Recreation Center from 12:00 to 5:00 PM. You can find the Southside Area Commission on Facebook to keep up to date. Parks and Recreation representatives will be at the November meeting to discuss upcoming plans for parks across the Southside. The gas line replacements are coming to a close and they are tidying up, so if things are unfinished, contact Infrasource in the next week or so.

TOPIC: Scheduled Events and Activities

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: The Parsons Avenue Development Corporation is having their first annual event on November 12th at 5:30 PM. The St. Paul’s UCC Feed the People the 6th annual concert is November 14th from 7:00 to 9:00 PM

DATE (TIME)	EVENT DESCRIPTION	COORDINATOR(S)
December 2 nd (7:00 - 9:00 PM)	Annual MVA Potluck	The MVA Board

LOCATION: Gather at Village Point (625 Parsons Avenue, Columbus, OH 43206)

TOPIC: Nationwide Children’s Hospital Community Meeting

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION: There is always construction in this area. There will be retail on the ground level. Bob spoke on behalf of PAMA to discuss several projects they are working, planning and discussing. The Healthy Homes, Health Families gave a great update on their projects. They are attempting to secure funding for 2016, purchasing properties, finishing properties they are currently working, etc.

GENERAL REMINDERS:

- ✓ Community Rewards: The board would like to remind members and residents of the reward programs which help support the MVA. Visit our website for instructions to sign up for the 4 community reward programs in which we currently participate, including AmazonSmile, GoodSearch, GoodShop and Kroger Community Rewards.
- ✓ Report non-emergency crime to the Columbus Police Department by calling 614-645-4545.
- ✓ Report potholes, code violations, broken dumpsters and other requests for City services through the 311 Program. Call 311 from your telephone or visit www.311.columbus.gov

NEXT MONTHLY ASSOCIATION MEETING: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 in the basement of St. Paul UCC (225 E Gates St, Columbus, OH 43206) beginning promptly at 7:15 PM.