

Southwest Area Commission  
Minutes  
Wednesday, February 20, 2008  
New Horizons United Methodist Church, 1665 Harrisburg Pike

**Call to Order:** Chairperson, Ralph Horn, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Roll Call: Present:** E.Crego, B.Collignon, R.Horn, J.Kaufman, E. McCleaf, C.Miller, R Miller, E.Walters. Quorum present. E. Crego is on a LOA until April. However, she was able to attend this meeting. Chairperson, R.Horn, requested that E.Crego be granted permission to vote on issues presented during this meeting. Vote: unanimous approval.  
**Absent:** R.Bertossi, M.Hammonds, E.Kirk,K.Williamson-Thacker

**Also Present:** Code enforcement: J.Lee, Police Liaison, Officer B.Smith,  
Neighborhood Services: M.Puckett, Intern:A. Cackler.

**Zoning:** 1. Demolition Permit Request for 2540 Clime Road. Demolition requested due to widening of Clime Road. Discussion ensued about improving the property of 2540 Clime Road after the demolition. C.Miller made motion to approve the demotion request. E.McCleaf seconded. Vote: unanimous approval.

2. Representation for zoning request from Kroger Co for permit to add a fuel storage station at SW Kroger store not present. Discussion delayed for meeting at later date.

**Invited Guests:** Judge Harland H. Hale, Environmental Court Judge and Mr. Bryan Wagner, Chief Environmental Specialist gave a presentation that included discussion about environmental issues and explanation about how the Environmental Court functions. Judge Hale has been with the Environmental Court for 6 and 1/2 years. The Court was created in 1989. Both Civil and Criminal Cases are heard. It has a large number of cases. In Dec, 2007, 1280 environmental cases were disposed. The goal is to require property owners to be in compliance with codes. Discussion included problems with foreclosures; the smoking ban; graffiti; vicious dogs. Judge Hale and Mr. Wagner stated they would like to be contacted if there are problems or concerns about a situation or a case.

**Routine Business:**

1. Review of Agenda. There were no additions or deletions.
2. Review of January Minutes. Motion to approve made by B.Collignon.  
Seconded by E. Walters.

## New Business:

1. Townhall meeting. D. Bagley, Westside Community Health Advisory, discussed Townhall meetings being organized to discuss Health issues. R. Horn stated he felt we should accept the invitation to join the Franklinton Area Commission Townhall meeting.

2. C.Miller stated next meeting he would like input about where we would want to spend our yearly amount of budgeted money that we receive from the City.

3. R.Horn stated that he would like input during the next meeting about suggestions for what to include in his presentation before City Council.

9:20 Motion to adjourn made by J. Kaufman. Seconded by C.Miller

Next meeting: March 19.

Submitted by: R.Miller, Secretary