

Southwest Area Commission  
Minutes  
Wednesday, August 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: B.Collignon R. Horn, J. Kaufman, E. Kirk, C .Miller, J. Miller, R. Miller, Kathleen Williamson-Thacker, E. Walters. Quorum present. M. Hammonds arrived after roll call. Absent: R.Bertossi, E.McCleaf. Also present: B.Lee, K.Roan, M.Puckett from Neighborhood Services; J.Lee, Code Enforcement.

Zoning: J.Lee reported there are no new issues to report.

Neighborhood Services:. B.Lee was thanked for her help and assistance as the Neighborhood Liaison. Kay Roan will be our new Liaison.

Planning Division: A. Joly, Senior Planner, City of Columbus discussed the dates for the next Planning Committee Meeting and for the next Public workshop. Recommendations that have been made for our Area Plan are being organized and drafted.

Invited Guest: Mindi Hardgrow, from the Far South Side Area Commission, discussed the newly formed Commission and explained the boundaries.

Bylaws: Suggested changes were discussed and informally approved up to Article VIII. The changes will be submitted in writing to each Commissioner.

Routine Business:

1. Review of Agenda. Agenda approved.
2. Review of Minutes. Minutes approved.

New Business

1. Election Results. Outcome: R.Bertossi, J.Miller and S. Coe will be the newly elected Commissioners. There are 4 at-large Commission seats that will be nominated during the Sept meeting. There is also one vacancy that will be filled by appointment.

2. Reports:

A. C. Miller, Fiscal Officer, reported he wrote a check to R. Miller for \$163.62 for printing costs. This was previously approved. Remaining balance in bank account is \$549.51. He requested approval for \$30.99 to reimburse K. Williamson-Thacker for additional election printing costs and \$20. for routine printing. Motion made by J. Miller to approve the amount as requested. Seconded by E. Kirk. Vote: unanimous approval.

B. K. Williamson-Thacker discussed having signs made to place in front of the Church on Commission meeting day. J. Kaufman will contact the Church for approval. S. Paynes Miller stated that if the Church does not approve, signs can be placed in front of the Community Housing Network on Harrisburg Pike.

C. R. Miller stated the petition process for lights in Willow Creek has been initiated.

D. R. Miller presented ideas to improve the efficiency of meetings. Commissioners urged to formulate their suggestions to facilitate efficiency and they will be discussed during the September meeting.

9:00p.m. Motion to adjourn by C. Miller. Seconded by J. Miller. Vote: unanimous approval

Next meeting: September 17, 2008

Submitted by: R. Miller