

MWCC Membership Meeting Wednesday, September 21, 2016. 7pm
Alex and Greg absent, Brian presides.

Robert Hall from Engine 7 reports 156 medical runs last month, 3 fire runs. Call 591.6000 to report unusual activity in vacant or abandon buildings. Two Narcan uses in MtW vs 342 city-wide for the month of August. Question asked about Narcan use last month, but advanced notice is needed to compile statistics.

Officer Butler reviews crime stats sheet. See handout. Theft from auto up this month from last year. 4 rapes, double from last year, question as to where— but officer unaware of specific details. Crimereports.com can be visited to see where crimes occur.

Mandy Bello updates from Recreation Center. AED in lobby thanks to Marc! Rec Center staff trained on AED, but anyone should be able to use it. Rec Center hours change, open later. Flu-shot clinic, Weds Sept 28 from 10am to 130pm. Free for folks with Medicare or \$25 for others.

Jody speaks on behalf of Ilene Hayes about the Scavenger Hunt this Saturday.

Lori Geraci, accompanied by Gerry Reisert, of the City of Cincinnati with Sidewalk Safety Program. Brief history and explanation of program. Municipal code determines that residents are responsible for sidewalks. SSP looks at communities every year, driven by community councils, or customer service requests, steering clear of city utilities. SSP visited MtW last in 2003 and 2008, at which time there was a big push for utility work, so SSP came back, documented, sketched each location, inspected, generated price estimates, then sent out 'notice to repair.' REpari costs can be added to property tax assessment. Phase one in MtW complete, phase two finished by end of September.

Question about sidewalks on Glade—standard answer, drainage would require exorbitant cost. Property owners welcome to pay for it. Further street improvement questions can be directed toward Bob Vickrey of the Transportation Design section with DOTE.

Question about contractor criteria, including background checks. Contractors must supply bond, fill out paperwork, and submit \$\$\$. Their application is then reviewed by the City Law Dept, and they become licensed street contractors. Bond required for warrantee of 1 year. Does it help the homeowner? No. Never had this contractor situation (contractor ran out on several resident in MtW without refunding their deposit). Lori produced current list of contractors and copy of a notice to repair. If the contractor doesn't do work, or get into the right of way, Lori's office has no basis to pursue. Lori produced sample door hangers. Resident expressed hope that Lori's dept has learned from bogus contractor.

1000 inspections, this year in MtW, 800 properties required work.

Mayland question with trees- nice trees vs sidewalk repair. Root of 4inches or greater, forestry needs to inspect tree. Forestry is making attempts to reduce sidewalk damage due to trees.

Instances when City shares responsibility for sidewalks—corner property hit on both frontages, owner on side with driveway. Also share for bus stops and curb ramps.

Lori's email on visitor list.

Amy Murray— acknowledged we are the 'best community council.' She's going to all 52. We're 48. She's here to share things that are going on in City. Newsletter recently on MSD, four year city council terms, currently in third year. Wants depts. to be more responsive, and passed out list of frequently called numbers.

Explained Fix it Cincy app, passport parking app

Mentioned recent flooding—city responsible for sewer backing up, normally 400 instances per year, but about Aug 28 there were 1500 reports from one event.

Lead pipes- City has great, safe water. But some have some lead pipes. Waterworks will supply free lead-testing kits. From 1000 samples, maybe 50 have higher lead content. Ask area schools, churches. Lead pipes OK because it isn't disrupted, homeowner responsible for 'half' replacement. Use scratch test for pipes in the home.

Proud to have balanced the budget, for the third year in a row, and focus on basic services—police, fire, safety, roads, water. Increased numbers of police, contrary to common thought.

Question about Norwood police station drug drop-off, Amy Murray will follow up with MtW about getting them here.

Worked with Josh Mandel on ohiocheckbook.com. Cincinnati's finances listed online.

Question about the councilwoman's position on legalizing marijuana. Amy was asked this just last night in Hartwell. She is in favor of properly legalized medical marijuana.

Tom Brinkman- State Rep used to live on Bloomingdale. Voted for medical marijuana, would like it to be a state-specific plan.

History lesson, 50K borrowing max stemming from canal boat bankruptcy. Bonds for parks, recreation, etc. now listing what places and causes he gotten money for. Now current plans for parks and recreation expansion and development. Next year there will be money in the capital budget plan for.. Stanbery! Suggests coming up with ideas for improvements to Stanbery, brick and mortar, community project. How much? \$400K or so. Submit project, and don't show up to defend it, thereby avoiding criticism of project. Wasson Way got sliced. Community input helps Tom sell project. 1 year from now. Partner with Park commission, Steve Shuckman. With the goal of getting people in the park. Working also with Wendy O'Neil and SPAC.

Presbyterian Church mentions community meals, support for food pantry on Beechmont. Has fliers for a 5 week series with analysts on bio-ethics, designer babies. See flyer.

CBR discussion of five possible submissions, Morrow Beautification and Gateway, Road Repaving Raking, Side Path up Beechmont, Plaza Greenspace and

Entrance to Stanbery, Water Fountains in the Business District. Vote and decision to submit: Morrow project, Plaza project, Sode Path project.

Brian introduces appointment of Wade Johnston, asks for membership approval. Wade introduces himself, with a t. Approved.

NSP Proposal. Brian introduces NSP Board position. See attached NSP breakdown. Clear communication from schools requested and assured, would like specific and wonderful earmarks. Limited discussion. Plan to vote next month.

Presidents Report: Brian now Vice-President, Zak now Secretary, Marc still Treasurer.

Brian: Submits minutes, approved.

Treasurer: Transitioning from 5/3 to Watch Hill, only about \$300 in transactions, sound financially and transition complete. July financials approved; August financials approved.

Economic Development: Recommending to fund short-term suggestions from Transportation Study and get them completed. Video hopefully finished by October.

Community Engagement: Active. Resurrection of email newsletter. Thanks to Marc.

NIC: Chariman, Rick introduced. Vision- to improve community by assisting and addressing nuisance properties, building safety, attention to blighted property and removal of graffiti. Meeting with Mark Manning, City Solicitor, James Bass, and Kevin Butler, Neighborhood Officer. Plan to monitor progress, brainstorm solutions. Also assist MWCURC with MtW Welcome packets, and a call for volunteers! That call to be added to newsletter.

Citizens on Patrol: received and trained on new radios, crime reports are true! Crime is down. Credit given to residents who see stuff and say stuff. Bill's proud! Call for volunteers.

PF! Coalition: Summit at Great Wolf Lodge, attended by Pastor Penny Magee, Becky Buell, Sherryl Aborgastand George Lehocky. Keynote speaker addressed caution needed about marijuana. Next meeting is Oct 6 at the United Methodist Church on Corbly, 6pm, facilitated by Prevention First. Prescription drug return on 10/22/16. George secured 25 'not in my neighborhood' signs. Good job, George.

Forrest draws lottery 714380, gone. 714383, also gone. 714382 hooray! 714379, hooray!

Adjourned 9:04