# **Allegheny City Central Association**



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# General Membership Meeting Minutes Monday February 11, 2013 Allegheny Traditional Academy, 7:00 p.m.

#### In Attendance (54)

Michele Adams, Steve Adams, Jonathan Bender, Olivia Benson, Patricia Buck, Randy Burns, John Canning, JP Coakley, Dan Deis, Kathy Deis, Mark Deptola, Patrick Dexter, Bill Donovan, Nancy Ewing, Jerome Ferrar, Joan Gielas, Tom Hardy, Bruce Harshman, Arthur James, Paul Johnson, Brian Kaminski, Lauren Knapp, Barbara Kelly, Claudia Keyes, Jennifer Kilgore, Todd Kilgore, Heather Kitson, Susan Larkin, Joe Mansfield, Randi Marshak, Todd Meyer, Patrick Miner, Charles Moore, Gregory Mucha, Glenn Olcerst, Jason Owens, Neil Parham, Mace Porac, Henry Reese, Mary Lou Ruttle, Vincent Salvino, Bob Sechler, Sheila Sechler, Brad Spencer, Gregory Spicer, Neill Stouffer, Barbara Talerico, Leslie Ward, Karina Westfall, Thomas Westfall, Andrew Wickesberg, Craig Worl, Al Zanon, Randy Zotter

#### Introduction

The regular monthly meeting for the membership of the Central Northside Neighborhood Council was held on Monday, February 11, 2013, at 7:00 pm in the auditorium of Allegheny Tradition Academy, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present. The minutes of the last regular monthly meeting on 01/14/2012, being posted on the web site beforehand, were approved.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was given by Barbara Talerico, President.

Patrick Dexter moved "to accept the Treasurer's report." The motion was adopted.

### **Auditor's Report**

Barbara Talerico, President, presented the report generated by the auditors after the annual audit.

Craig Worl moved "to approve the annual audit." The motion was adopted.

# **Organization Name Change**

Arthur James moved "that in accordance with branding the neighborhood as Allegheny City Central, that the Central Northside Neighborhood Council change its name to the Allegheny City Central Association". The motion was adopted.



#### **Development Committee**

Tom Hardy, development consultant, reported on behalf of the Development Committee.

- The URA has selected a contractor to stabilize the building at 4 West North Avenue and to remove the back third of the building.
- Five properties were submitted for the Treasurer's sale for the Great House Sale project. Two were rejected. The three remaining properties are 108 Carrington, 1405 Buena Vista and 400 Jacksonia.
- Contact the Development Committee (development@cnnc-pgh.org) with recommendations for other properties for the Great House Sale project. Properties must be tax delinquent and vacant.
- An intern from the University of Pittsburgh's Urban Studies Program has been secured. He will do a survey of all of the parcels in the neighborhood (about 2,000) to inventory their status.

### **Safety Committee**

Steve Adams, chair, reported on the Safety Committee.

- Active projects include cameras, lighting, National Night Out, working with Jefferson Recreation Center.
- Project under review include traffic enforcement, crosswalks, block watch program, off duty police officers.

There was a discussion about the logistics of installing cameras.

Councilman Lavelle asked to be involved in the next meeting about cameras. He offered his assistance in acquiring equipment.

#### **Historic District Expansion**

Gregory Spicer gave a presentation about the expansion.

Barbara Talerico also reported about the expansion.

- City Planning unanimously voted to recommend the expansion to City Council and to recommend the
  original larger boundary that was in the nomination, not the reduced boundary recommended by the
  Historic Review Commission.
- The ACCA will inform its membership when City Council holds public hearings.
- Asked for people in favor of it to sign a petition.

#### **Board Elections**

Patrick Dexter reported on the upcoming board elections in May and took nominations from the floor.

Jason Owens nominated Vincent Salvino Craig Worl nominated Todd Kilgore

Nominations cam be emailed to Patrick at pdexter@cnnc-pgh.org.

#### Councilman Lavelle's Mobile Office

Councilman Lavelle presented, and answered questions:

- Commander Brackney has increased plain-clothed detectives in the neighborhood.
- Those residents that are no longer in his district after the reapportionment will not be able to vote for him.



#### **Letter of Support for Todd Meyer**

Todd Meyer presented his plan for developing his properties at the corner of North Taylor and Buena Vista:

- He has received approval from HRC for design.
- He plans to put an Italian restaurant on the first floor of Buena Vista and a bakery on the first floor of North Taylor.
- He has Kate Romane, the chef of E2 in Highland Park, lined up to run the Italian restaurant, which he will own. He doesn't plan on getting a liquor license for the Italian restaurant.
- The bakery will offer specialized baked goods.
- The restaurant and bakery will vent out the roof. They won't vent at street level.
- He asked Zoning for a change in occupancy. Zoning denied the request, but without prejudice, meaning he can reapply. Zoning asked him for more demonstration of no harm to the community, so he's asking for community support and a letter of support from the ACCA.

Greg Mucha moved that "the Central Northside Neighborhood Council (also known as Allegheny City Central Association) support Todd Meyer's proposed project of restoring the two store fronts at the corner of North Taylor and Buena Vista with a restaurant and a bakery". The motion was adopted.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Minutes prepared by Arthur James, Secretary, Allegheny City Central Association. Minutes approved on 03/11/2013.

