

## **Northeast Area Commission Meeting**

**June 2, 2022**

### **Northeast Area Commissioners Roll Call:**

**Karen Rogers (Cumberland Ridge): Chair - Present**  
**Stanley Fleming (Brunswick Estates): Vice-Chair – Present**  
**Kevin Kenley (Willow Springs): Treasurer – Excused Absence**  
**Chanel McDougle-Yakubu (Walnut Creek): Secretary – Present**  
**Elenora Moore (Arlington Park I): Zoning Chair – Present**  
**Sandra Chapple (At Large): Present**  
**Brad Davis (Bridgeview): Present**  
**Antwan Horston (Arlington Park II): Unexcused Absence**  
**Nicole Horston (At Large): Unexcused Absence**  
**Dr. Dimaris Medina-Cortes (At Large): Present**  
**Kawther H. Musa (Framingham): Present**  
**Alice Porter (At Large): Excused Absence**  
**Elwood Rayford (Somerset): Unexcused Absence**

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Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm by Madam Chair Karen Rogers. Madam Chair discussed meeting decorum. Commissioner McDougle-Yakubu took roll call and verbally confirmed that enough commissioners were present to conduct business.

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### **Meeting Agenda Approval/Amendments (June 2, 2022)**

- Chair Rogers presented an amendment to the agenda.
  - Under New business: Change of venue for July
  - Under Old Business: Report from Commissioner Medina-Cortes update on an ongoing issue
  - Commissioner Davis made a motion to accept the agenda with the amendments. Commissioner Medina-Cortes seconded that motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

### **Meeting Minutes Approval/Amendments (May 5, 2022)**

- Commissioner Moore made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Musa seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

**Treasurer’s Financial Report (May 2022)**

Column1	TRANS Type	Payee	Description	Balance
May 1, 2022				\$1,210.00
Microsoft Office Suite Purchase - Secretary McDougle-Yakubu	Check	NEAC	Needed for secretarial duties	\$128.99
Ending Balance May 31, 2022				\$1,081.01

- Commissioner Chapple stated that she is reading the report as written on behalf of Commissioner Kenley. She was not responsible for fund recording for this financial report.
- Commissioner Medina-Cortes made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Financial Report for May 2022. Commissioner Chapple seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

**Community Liaison Officer (CLO): Officer Rodney Reed**

- No one present for updates

**Guest Presentation:**

- **Armita Kar-OSU Inclusive Mobility Study – Absent**
- **Allen AV**
  - JD Grove (President Joule Electric CO DBA Allen AV): Spoke about the city’s plan to make the area more electric car friendly.
  - Discussion ensued about the city-wide EV Ready (EV) Parking Ordinance. More details can be found here:  
<https://www.columbus.gov/sustainable/evreadyparking/>

**City of Columbus Representatives Update**

- **Sarah Pomeroy, City Attorney’s Office**
  - Discussed matters that were raised at prior meetings with the appropriate parties.

➤ **Department of Neighborhoods: Neighborhood Program Specialist: DeLena Scales**

- Discussed treasurer updates: After April 30<sup>th</sup> no funds were supposed to be disbursed. The account was to remain frozen until old funds were taken out and the new funds were placed into the account.
  - 2022-2023 MOA should be submitted no later than June 30, 2022. Pages 3 and 6 must be signed by the treasurer and the chair and a copy should be sent to Ms. DeLena Scales.
- Information on a free IT Coding and Exam Prep for teens 13-16 was shared.
- Nationwide Children's Hospital: They are hosting free clinics for children 3 and up at local schools. Flyer was circulated with details.
- Quorum discussion for committees: Stating that we must follow our bylaws and we are at liberty to edit our bylaws.

**Zoning and Variances Presentations/Reports: Zoning Chair Moore**

1. **Z21-097: 2973 McCutcheon Road, 43219:**

Rezoning Representative Create Collaborative Kim Mikanik

- Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve this application. Commissioner Medina-Cortes seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

2. **DEMO2221064: 3035 Stelzer Road 43219**

Request for demolition of abandoned church

- Commissioner Medina-Cortes made a motion to approve the demolition of 3035 Stelzer Road. Commissioner Chapple seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

3. **Z22-015: 3301 Morse Road 43231:**

Rezoning Representative David Perry, David Perry Co, Inc.

- Turning lot into Baskin Robins/Dunkin Donuts
- Traffic flow changes/updates as directed
- Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the re-zoning from AR12 to CPD. Commissioner Medina-Cortez seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

**Guest Presentation/Speakers**

- Donna Marbury - Alum Creek Trail Connections Project – Will Reschedule

**New Business/Commissioner Announcements (Madam Chair Rogers)**

- Venue Change for July 7th commissioners meeting. Will be held at Shepard Library (850 N Nelson Rd, 43219) and the start time will be **6pm EST**.

### **Old Business/Commissioner Announcements (Madam Chair Rogers)**

- Commissioner Medina-Cortes
  - Mifflin Township Property updates (2140 Denune Avenue)
- Commissioner Chapple
  - Election Updates: Committee met on May 15<sup>th</sup> and they made necessary updates to the election/candidate packet
  - Commissioner Musa will be at Northern Lights Library from 11am-1pm EST accepting election votes for the election.
  - Commissioner Fleming will be at Shepard Library from 1:30pm-3pm EST accepting election votes for the election.
  - We will participate in the city-wide elections: August 27<sup>th</sup>
  - Commissioner McDougle-Yakubu will create marketing material.

### **National Night Out: August 2<sup>nd</sup> 5-8p at Howard Community Center**

- Chair Rogers expressed our need for sponsors.
- DeLena Scales confirmed that grant money can not be spent on food. Once she gets the grant information, she will send it to the commissioners.
- Commissioner McDougle-Yakubu will create marketing material.

### **Commissioner Role Expectations/Code of Conduct Contract Form**

- Concerns were raised about the actions of Commissioner N. Horston. In regards to her adherence surrounding the code of conduct.
  - Commissioner Moore discussed issues that have occurred pertaining to the zoning committee.
  - Commissioner Medina-Cortes discussed aggressive behavior that she has experienced at both the commissioner meetings and the zoning meetings.
  - Discussions of a possible vote was put on the floor for removal from the commission
  - Commissioner Moore stated that she would abstain from voting on this issue.
  - Commissioner McDougle-Yakubu stated that due to the absence of Commissioner N. Horston that these discussions should be tabled until the next meeting.
  - Due to the unexcused absence of Commissioner N. Horston it was agreed upon unanimously that this would be tabled until that next meeting. This will give Commissioner N. Horston the opportunity to respond to any issues or ask any questions. If commissioner N. Horston is not present at the July meeting, discussion will continue her removal from the Northeast Area Commission as it relates to the code of conduct. Chair Rogers will reach out to Commissioner N. Horston to inform her of the discussion and possible outcome at the July meeting.

- Unexcused absences pertaining to Commissioner Elwood Rayford (Somerset) were discussed.
  - Commissioner McDougle-Yakubu made a motion to remove Commissioner Rayford from his current role due to multiple unexcused absences. Commissioner Medina-Cortes seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

### **Commissioner Fleming Update**

- Commissioner Fleming has resigned effective June 2. He named a replacement for consideration.
- Commissioner Fleming made a motion for Karen Brown to succeed him and complete his term as the Commissioner for Brunswick Estates. Commissioner Chapple seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.

### **Mobile Park Home Committee**

- Commissioner Moore made a motion that we establish a special committee to handle the mobile park issues in the Northeast Area district. Commissioner Chapple seconded that motion. The motion was carried by unanimous approval.
  - Committee will be spearheaded by Commissioner Medina-Cortes. Commissioners Chapple and McDougle-Yakubu volunteered to be on that commission.

### **District Updates**

Arlington Park I: No updates

Arlington Park II: No updates

Bridgeview: No updates

Brunswick: Flooding is still an issue for many residents in this area. There are no sewer drains in this area.

Cumberland Ridge: NNO and traffic on Cassidy Avenue (Sheetz)

Framingham: Somali Independence Day celebration at Innis Park on July 2nd

Somerset: No updates

Walnut Creek: No updates

Willow Springs: No updates

**Meeting adjourned at 8:21pm by Madam Chair Karen Rogers.**