

WESTLAND AREA COMMISSION

P.O. Box 293 – Galloway, OH 43119

Wednesday October 19, 2022

Darby House
801 Darby Creek Drive

Chairman: Scott Taylor; Vice Chairman: Vacant; Treasurer: Dave Van Order; Recording Officer:
Janet Cahill

Minutes

7:03pm - **Call to Order**

Roll Call

Heather Abdalla - *	Ashley Hoye Sr -*	Dave Van Order -*
Nancy Day-Achauer -*	Mike McKay - *	
Lori Balough - EX	Pol Panos -*	* - Present
Janet Cahill - *	Jeff Tanner -*	EX - Excused
Kim Hehman -EX	Scott Taylor- *	

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to approve the September 2022 minutes as amended. Nancy Day-Achauer moved to approve the minutes as amended and Mike McKay seconded. All approved.

Recognition of Guests

Kevin Wheeler, Assistant Director with the City of Columbus Development Department, spoke about why the code is being rewritten and updated as a whole. He explained what processes have been done and that there will be multiple steps involved. There is no plan ready at this time and anticipates a plan to be presented to City Council in 2024.

Committee Reports

Zoning – No official report.

Community Relations –

Committee member Nancy Day- Achauer shared that the WAC table had a lot of visitors during the Trick or Treat Trail. The event was attended by an estimated 900 children and their families.

Education – No official report.

Planning & Development – No official report

Public Health & Safety –

Committee chair Nancy Day- Achauer reminded everyone to get their flu shots. Experts are anticipating that this year the flu will be worse than previous years. Also, she mentioned the continued importance of receiving Covid shots and booster shots.

Recreation & Parks -

Committee chair Janet Cahill reported that petitions are available for commissioners and volunteers to get signatures calling for the City of Columbus to build a Columbus Recreation Center in the Westland Commission Area as promised. Blank petitions will be available via email, WAC website and by contacting Janet Cahill.

Committee member Heather Abdalla presented information about the Norton Middle School Family Resource Fair on Nov. 3. The committee is considering having a table with display, petitions and information about WAC to pass out and inform the community.

David Hooie, Department of Neighborhoods, confirmed that there would be various city representatives that would be present at the Nov.2 committee meeting. Social media blasts will begin Oct. 22nd and continue to Nov. 2 announcing the meeting. The next meeting of the committee will be Nov. 2, 2022 at 6:00pm, Auto Boutique Meeting Room.

Old Business - No old business was discussed.

New Business

Election of new officers for 2023-2026 will be held at the November WAC meeting.

Nancy Day-Achauer's last meeting will be the November meeting as she resigned to run for Columbus City Council.

Announcements

David Hooie, Department of Neighborhoods, announced a Zoning training online on Oct. 29. The training will be available on their website as well, for future review. The department will be offering less training sessions in 2023. Also, he announced that the Mayor's Budget preview dinner will be held Nov. 9. Chair Taylor and a few WAC members will be invited to attend. A new liaison was hired for the area and Rebecca Deeds and the new liaison will attend the November WAC meeting. The Franklin Co. Auditors website has a survey to guide valuations in the area in 2023. Westland residents are encouraged to take the survey.

Adjourn

There being no more business before the Westland Area Commission, Chairman Taylor asked for a motion to adjourn the October 2022 meeting. Janet Cahill moved to adjourn and Nancy Day- Achauer seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. Meeting ended at 8:27pm. **The next meeting of the Westland Area Commission will be held November 16, 2022 at the Auto Boutique meeting room at 7pm.**

Scott Taylor Chair 11/19/22