

WESTLAND AREA COMMISSION

P.O. Box 293 – Galloway, OH 43119

Wednesday September 21, 2022

Auto Boutique Meeting Room 1800 Georgesville Sq.

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

Minutes

7:01 **Call to Order**

Roll Call

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

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to approve the August 2022 minutes as amended. Mike McKay moved to approve the minutes as amended and Janet Cahill seconded. All approved.

Recognition of Guests

Maria Cortez, Assistant Director of Community Affairs, representing the Mayor's office, spoke about Issues 14-18 that will be on the November ballot. This is a bond package not a tax increase. More information can be found at [columbus.gov/2022bondpackage](https://www.columbus.gov/2022bondpackage).

David Hooie, Dept of Neighborhoods, discussed the CityWide Elections and that six area commissions had competitive elections this year. Also, he announced that there would be several training opportunities for new commissioners this year. He said they would be announced via e-mail but can be found at

<https://www.columbus.gov/neighborhoods/Department-of-Neighborhoods/#>

Committee Reports

Zoning –

Committee chair Mike McKay reported that there were no matters to vote on. At the October meeting, there could be a graphics request from an applicant who wants to install EV charging stations in the Kroger parking lot at W. Broad Street and Galloway Rd. Also, it was noted that the Blausen project has started to be developed.

Community Relations –

Committee chair Ashley Hoye reported that he will be emailing the updated plan of the Franklin Co. Engineer's roads to members.

Education – No official report

Commissioner Heather Abdalla reminded members that there will be a Community Resource Fair on Nov. 3, 5pm - 7pm at Norton Middle School.

Planning & Development –No official report

Public Health & Safety – Committee chair Nancy Day- Achauer reported that the health fair on Aug. 30 at the Mid-Ohio Food Bank was successful. Lots of representation of medical professionals as well. A lot of information was distributed including information on doctors in the area that is accepting new patients. Also, she reported that there has been a lot more breaking into vehicles in the area as well as more violence and theft in general.

Recreation & Parks – Committee chair Janet Cahill reported that she attended a meeting with CRPD Deputy Director Steve Hiland and Morgen Wade, CRPD Capital Planning Team on August 24. Funds in the Westland Parkland Dedication Fund, and our fund was emptied to complete the Alkire Rd. Park. The three areas that the Rec & Parks Committee identified as potential parkland/recreation use areas were discussed. 5300 Crosswind, previously Dispatch, recreation area is still a possibility for lease. 433 Galloway Rd. is committed for future use and possibilities for some limited use of the West Broad Parkland was discussed and ideas included an open space park, and a 1 acre LinkUS end station. Deputy Director Hiland said they are not going to build any more recreation centers in the city. The committee will use other options to obtain a recreation center. Petitions and letters to the Mayor and city will be the next step. The committee discussed the Westland Capital Improvements Reports from 2010 to 2021, where 25% of the money was not spent in the Westland area. This will be a topic that will be discussed with appropriate departments. Next meeting will be Oct. 5 at 6pm. at the Auto Boutique Meeting Room.

Old Business - No old business was discussed.

New Business - No new business was presented.

Announcements -

The Trick or Treat Trail will be in Westland H.S. parking lot on Oct. 15 between 4pm and 6pm.

Adjourn

There being no more business before the Westland Area Commission, Chairman Taylor asked for a motion to adjourn the September 2022 meeting. Mike McKay moved to adjourn and Nancy Day- Achauer seconded the motion with all members voting in favor. Meeting ended at 8:05pm. **The next meeting of the Westland Area Commission will be held October 19, 2022 at the Darby House at 7pm.**