Shandon Neighborhood Council

Minutes – May 9, 2022



Call to Order -6:15 Roll Call

Judy Anderson, Steve Augustine, Troy Byrd, Andrew Clarkson, Dolly Garfield, Harrison Greenlaw, Rich Horton, Michael Jameson, Mike McCauley, Bill McCormick, John Meyers, Kelly Hynes Morris, Tricia Seal, Kathleen Warthen, Cindy Waund, and Dennis Wiehl were present.

All were in attendance.

Quorum established.

<u>Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved</u>
<u>Approval of Minutes - The March meeting minutes were approved.</u>

Recognition of Elected Officials, Special Guests, & Candidates for Office

Seth Rose (SC Representative)

- This week is last week in the House, trying to get \$35M from State for railroad crossing fixes
- Working on state and federal funding from Williams Street infrastructure along the river, already \$4M input from local government
- \$5M for Five Points road budget, undergoing public input, 5 Points Association involved, DOT working with 5 Points Association, plan for increased pedestrian access and safety. To start Summer 2023.

Crime and Safety Report:

MPO Collin Johnson

- Property crime rates from March to May down 54% due to incarceration of repeat property crime
 offenders. Students graduated last weekend, hopefully a lull in student complaints over the summer,
 but be sure to call in any issues. Please call with ANY issues, they prefer to be proactive. Check video
 and surveillance systems, keep them charged.
- Question from the floor concerning traffic enforcement in the neighborhood. They like to compile complaints (troublesome intersections, speeding, etc.) and then get an officer to patrol in that location. Please let them know if there is a certain time, any particular intersections, or part of a street.

Officer Reports:

President's Report - Michael Jameson

Welcome to Cindy, Rich, Troy, Dennis - new committee members.

Shandon Easter Egg hunt was very successful and fun.

Getting date and permit for NNO. City Neighborhoods Aug 2nd at Metro Convention Center, can set up table.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> – Tricia Seal

No report.

Treasurer's Report - Harrison Greenlaw

Expenses \$1440 for Newsletter \$380 for Easter Egg hunt \$225 for table at Columbia Council of Neighborhoods \$173 Gergel award

Working on State and Federal government tax forms

\$1500 grant from Richland County for NNO and Newsletter will be applied for

Columbia Council of Neighborhoods

Kelly Hynes Morris won Volunteer of the Year

Shandon Runner-up for Neighborhood of the Year

Working with the city on Air BnB/Short term rental (<30 days)

Committee Reports:

Beautification: Andrew Clarkson, chair

No report.

Bylaws & Procedures: Steve Augustine, chair

How to accommodate budget changes to the bylaw. Notice requirement to change bylaws, so start thinking now, must be done before March meeting.

Communications: Michael Jameson, chair

Website is not working well. Having to with with SquareSpace to get certificates for the website, possibly need new certificates or new website. Facebook has most up to date information at this time. Please let Julie Ruff know if you are not getting a newsletter: Shandontimes@gmail.com

Events: TBD, chair

A Clarkson- 2023 Columbia Green Tour of Gardens, request monitoring races and trying to not have a race on that weekend to conflict with the garden tour. They have started picking gardens.

Grants: TBD, chair

No report.

Traffic & Safety: Mike McCauley, chair

Running race request for the fall being discussed with the committee. Children (<16yo) driving golf carts, must be a licensed driver. CPD recommends calling 911 or nonemergency number for unsafe golf carts.

<u>Turkey Trot:</u> Kelly Morris, chair

Nov 25th, the day after Thanksgiving. Registration is already open, \$25. Need to approve the contract with Grit Endurance, tiers of 500 runners- will do this next meeting. Already has some sponsors including 2 platinum (Assurance Financial, Anytime Fitness, Strictly Running). Sponsorship from \$25 to \$1000.

Zoning & Code Enforcement: Judy Anderson, chair

Start to follow discussions on short-term rentals. Recommend asking for a presentation from the city regarding the short-term rentals. Some members of the committee will be meeting with Stacy Harris (zoning enforcement). We tend to have more issues with USC undergrad students than with short-term rentals. There is concern about real estate investment companies buying in the neighborhood to convert properties to short-term rentals.

Fill the Red Truck to support the Animal Mission's Community Pet Food Pantry and Columbia Animal Services, Sat May 21-Sun May 22, Corner of Heyward and Holly, 9a-5p. For more information and donation needs, visit FillTheRedTruck.org

ad hoc (Shandon Parks): Mike McCauley, co-chair

Did survey about Dog Park at Emily Douglas last year, surveys about each park coming out and all park users and any members of the public are invited to respond. Surveys will be distributed using newsletter, social media and flyers up around park with weblinks and QR code, similar to Dog Park Survey. Seeking input from neighbors who live immediately adjacent to the parks for their unique input- please contact Mike McCauley and Dennis Wiehl, please reach out to shandonparks@gmail.com.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Julia- More doctoral students coming in summer term to join Moore School of Business. Seeking long-term (5 years) rentals for hard working and responsible doctoral candidates. 60 PhD students enrolled with 12 joining every year. Students desire to live in Shandon for safety, welcoming community, and proximity to campus.

 If interested in renting, contact Marcelo Frias, DMSB Director of Doctoral Programs, <u>mfrias@moore.sc.edu</u>, 803-777-2751

H Greenlaw – Consider Shandon neighborhood budget to allow budget allowables under a cap per budget.

• Can not do email voting as a non-profit. Can not budget more than \$500 expenditure without requiring bids. Consider "petty cash," with cap.

- Consider more formal budget and then discretionary spending.
- Fiscal year is March to March, consider doing budget approval at May meeting.

K Hynes Morris, Michael Jameson - Neighborhood Council Meeting Signs

• Funding is approved, awaiting final design

M Jameson - Friday May 13th from 5-7pm, 14th 12-2pm, Methodist Church is collecting items (except books and clothes) for a yard sale planned for Sat 21st 8-1pm-times

C Waund - Dreher Band Booster Yard Sale May 14th, 8am-12pm in the cafeteria at Dreher HS

Dreher HS #7 in the State for High Schools

B McCormick - Dominion Energy doing check-ups/maintenance on gas meters (not just for upgrades) they are turning off the gas if no one is home

Adjournment - 713pm

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