

Shandon Neighborhood Council

Minutes– Sept 12, 2022



Call to Order – 6:23pm

Roll Call

Judy Anderson, Troy Byrd, Dolly Garfield, Harrison Greenlaw, Rich Horton, Michael Jameson, Mike McCauley, Bill McCormick, Tricia Seal, Kathleen Warthen, Cindy Waund, and Dennis Wiehl were present.

Steve Augustine, Andrew Clarkson, Kelly Hynes Morris were not in attendance.

Quorum established.

Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved 6:24pm.

Approval of Minutes - The July meeting minutes were approved.

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

Will Brennan

- Columbia Water magnets with customer service # were distributed.
- Mosquitos are being sprayed for, there is West Nile Virus. Two cases, one on Wheat street that was fatal. Some on Heathwood, asymptomatic. Tonight spraying, 3 more times in the next 14 days. Time is 2a-4a. Shandon, Rosewood, Hollywood-Rose Hill, other downtown neighborhoods.
- Rick Blackmon 803-391-5730, Richard.blackmon@columbiasc.gov – Director, call with stagnant water, pools, other standing water. Please remove any standing water on your property.
- Second of three short-term rental meetings will be 9/29 at City Hall. Most recent draft re: residence requirements for STR, sprinklers if not primary residence.
- Parking variance is still pending public input, trying to get more restaurants in Five Points and other downtown areas. Handicap parking ratios will be reviewed.

Crime and Safety Report –

CRT Justin Boyd

- C rime is down, reduction in the South region of 35-40%. No reported auto break-ins or burglaries in Aug, 5 in previous month.
- G olf carts, tips for golf cart theft. Use of covers, blocking in with another vehicle, locking.
- F ootball season, calls for season increase during football days, be prepared for longer wait those days, up to 2-4 hours. Please be patient with the officers.
- O nline reporting system at columbiapd.net, “Get in Touch > Online Report ” auto-breakin, vandalism, petty larceny, etc. Can upload photos and videos. This DOES generate a case #. If you are unsure about online reporting, or if it says to call 911, call 911. Call 911 for any urgent requests.

- Online “get in touch” tab for traffic complaints (stop signs, etc.), front porch roll call (Under “Programs”) at your residence.
- Party season, call 911 or 2911 if party is a nuisance, otherwise, bothersome and they are USC students.
- Castle doctrine, in South Carolina you can NOT shoot someone in an UNoccupied vehicle. CWP holders all must KNOW the Castle Doctrine, “stand your ground.”
- Auto breakers in Sherwood Forest neighborhood have been caught.
- Remove valuables from your cars, they have seen increased forced break-ins, stealing Kias and Hyundais. Should you lock car if no valuables? YES.
- Call 911 before calling CRT Boyd for any crime in progress or crime about to occur.

Officer Reports:

President's Report – Michael Jameson

- Thank you for coming out to meeting today with venue change.

Secretary's Report – Tricia Seal

- Bylaws, draft minutes
- No report.

Treasurer's Report – Harrison Greenlaw

- \$12,985 in the bank account
 - Received 2 checks from Sloan ad check \$700
 - Richland county grant check \$1,500 (part for NNO, part for newsletter)
- Current totals: \$14,294.85
- Waiting for bill from Pelican SNOball for NNP, need to lock in ice cream vendor for this year
- City NNO next July
- Considering adding insurance

Committee Reports:

Beautification: Andrew Clarkson, chair

- Maintenance came by to beautify the triangle.

Bylaws & Procedures: Steve Augustine, chair

- No report.
- From last meeting, “Please review bylaws, if you have thoughts or changes please send to email (on website) and we will make pros and cons evaluation and have a more substantial report at future meetings. Bylaws would need to be voted on at March meeting.”

Communications: Michael Jameson, chair

- Website maintenance is still on-going, SSL proxy implementation has faced a few setbacks in testing.
- Please let Julie Ruff know if you are not getting a newsletter. Shandontimes@gmail.com

Events: TBD, chair (Presented by Michael Jameson)

- We had a wonderful time hosting the National Night Out 2022 this year and are happy to report there was a very large turnout. Huge thanks to our sponsors: Andy's Deli, Ole Time Meat Market, and Piggly Wiggly for helping make this happen. We're also grateful to Pelican's Snoballs for being able to step in at the last minute. Huge thanks to our volunteers on and off council who provided their expertise, time, and effort to make this event a success. This was Jesse Burke's 14th NNO and we would have never kept up with the line without John's epic grill. SNC has been invited to co-sponsor Shandon Presbyterian's Harvest Hope Community Drive. If there are no objections, we'll be promoting the event on our website and facebook. It is scheduled for October 15-16 and if you are interested in volunteering, please let us know.

Grants: TBD, chair (John Meyers assisting)

- Nothing to report.

Traffic & Safety: Mike McCauley, chair

- With the start of school, problems with street parking, blocking driveways.
- Hollywood Rose Hill has freshly painted yellow curbs, can call for individual houses too.
- Front porch roll call at Emily Douglas amphitheater to engage with officers in our neighborhood

Turkey Trot: Kelly Morris, chair

- The Shandon Turkey Trot and Burn 5K will be on Black Friday, November 25th at 10am! We already have about 75 runners registered for the event!
- The Start/Finish line will be near Craft and Draft and the course will showcase our neighborhood.
- Prizes will be awarded for the top three most creative outfits so participants are encouraged to dress creatively!
- There is a discount code for \$5 off for our Shandon friends: SHANDON5
- Here is the signup link:

Shandon Turkey Trot & Burn 5K (runsignup.com)

< <https://runsignup.com/Race/SC/Columbia/ShandonTurkeyTrotBurn5K> >

Zoning & Code Enforcement: Judy Anderson, chair

- Zoning & Code Enforcement: The results of the STR survey (107 respondents) conducted by Zoning & Traffic Committees has been posted on the SNC page and copies are available for the meeting this evening. "Extremely important" STR rental issues and concerns were identified as noise, trash/litter, enforcement, trespass, parking, limiting number of occupants, etc. These are all enforceable issues by the City, code enforcement, etc. There are ~750 rentals (long-term and STR) in Shandon. Thanks again to Mike McCauley and his committee, Mike Jameson and Julie Ruff in this endeavor. Our committee continues to monitor Zoning and Code Enforcement issues. Short-term rental meeting will be 9/29 at City Hall.

- Comment from the floor: Zoning ordinance for non-owner occupied homes.
- Comment from the floor: 2308 Wheat is being renovated- who is doing zoning, enforcement for this house as an example?
- Code enforcement officer Stacy Harris- if you have a concern for code enforcement they are requesting us to please send pictures with your request. Stacy.harris@columbiasc.gov

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

- A few more responses have been trickling in for contact info from park-adjacent neighbors.
- Meeting upcoming with Councilman Brennan and the Parks Dept regarding getting new equipment.
- Emily Douglas dog park – No big movement on this endeavor to improve our dog park. City is making new rules about dog parks, potentially establishing new ones (maybe one in each council district).
- Please contact Mike McCauley and Dennis Wiehl; shandonparks@gmail.com.

Old Business:

- Will work on a budget development during this year, change bylaws at March meeting, with plan for budget approval at May meeting.

New Business:

- Homes for the Holiday Tour will be Sun Dec 4th, funds will be distributed to small businesses
- Columbia Green will be hosting Garden Tour in Shandon, April 6th.
 - Comment from the floor: Consideration of effort to spruce up the neighborhood in anticipation of the tour.

Adjournment – 7:32pm

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