

# *Old Beechwold Association*

A HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

Old Beechwold Association Meeting  
July 23, 2018

Whetstone Library Meeting Room

## **MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President John Alexander. Twenty-three residents were represented (including officers).

### **MINUTES for the April 23, 2018 meeting**

- Approved

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS**

### **Executive Committee (John Alexander)**

- President Alexander provided clarification on the Right-of-Way at West Beechwold Blvd and Riverview Park. This area is private property and any plantings require the consent of the owner and approval by the City Forester
- President Alexander contacted Leslie Westerfelt from the City of Columbus regarding the city's plans to address overflows as a part of Blueprint Columbus. Our neighborhood is being surveyed and a preliminary plan developed. Leslie anticipates neighbors will be invited to a meeting in October to offer input and feedback on the initial plan for Old Beechwold.
- HISTORIC DISTRICT ACTIONS: April & May: none; June: 63 W Beechwold Blvd; tree removal; 71 W Jeffrey Place; gutters; July: 4914 Olentangy Blvd; window repair & painting.

### **Treasurer's report (Laura Philip):**

- The Association had an ending balance of \$18,981.29 as of July 23, 2018. (See the attached report for details). Sixty homeowners have paid dues.
- A survey regarding a membership directory was distributed with the dues statements. The majority were in favor of an electronic directory that had options to limit the specific information included.
- Bids were solicited for snow and leaf removal. GAG will continue as the vendor. This year homeowners will have the option of selecting either the end of October or the last week of November for leaf pick-up with late November as the default date.

### **Secretary's report (Dianne Radigan)**

- A committee is being formed to provide insight and advice on the Old Beechwold Association's website and other forms of communication. The intent is to make the site more valuable and utilized by homeowners and facilitate communication.

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## **Arbor Committee (Lindalee Brownstein)**

- Thank you to all working hard to clean up invasive plants, water, mulch, fertilize and prune bushes in the neighborhood.
- An email was sent to homeowners asking that vegetation that encroaches the streets be pruned. So far that has not proved helpful.
- Lindalee asked if there is a desire to name the creek.

## **Social Committee (Stacia Clifton):**

- A fall get together is planned for September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 230 West Jeffrey Place.

## **INVITED GUEST**

President Alexander introduced Vincent Green from AEP who provided an overview of the Smart Meters being installed in our area. These meters are more accurate and can provide real-time utilization information. AEP is providing comparison data for homeowners to assess utilization.

A question was asked about the number of outages in the area. Our area is slated for upgraded electric systems in late fall which should help with the many outages.

**Old business** – no additional old business

## **New business**

It was mentioned that new city council member Emanuel Remy has been very helpful addressing the potholes in our neighborhood.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Standing Communications to be reflected in the minutes:

- Please provide your current email address to the OBA Secretary Dianne Radigan [Dianne.Radigan@gmail.com](mailto:Dianne.Radigan@gmail.com) so the OBA can communicate easily with you.
- The “Old-Beechwold-Assn. Google Group” is a neighborhood posting site to keep participating neighbors connected. It is to be used for the betterment of the neighborhood. **Please note your name and address in all postings if not apparent from your email address.** Go to <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/old-beechwold-assn> to join.
- To send an email to the neighborhood email list, address it to [old-beechwold-assn@googlegroups.com](mailto:old-beechwold-assn@googlegroups.com). If you are not on this list, contact Dianne Radigan

The Old Beechwold website is [www.oldbeechwold.org](http://www.oldbeechwold.org).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

**Next Meeting is Monday, October 22, 2018 at Whetstone Library at 7:00pm.**