

Minutes NANA General Meeting – January 9, 2024

Location: N. Avondale Montessori Cafeteria

Meeting called to order by Sarah Koucky at 6:35 pm. There were no minutes from December Holiday Party.

District 4 Report – Officer Crutcher & Lt. Lander. So far this year, crime is down. At end of 2023, there was a 33% drop in crime overall for the year. Chicken coop on Marion is no longer there and the one on Clinton Springs is in the process of being stopped. 882 Clinton Springs update – person issuing citation has must see the car parked on the front lawn and this has not occurred yet. Pictures of this sent to 311 will only be used after citation has been issued.

Rec Center Meetings – would like to move our meetings from school cafeteria to Rec Center (teen lounge) as it would be more comfortable for meetings. Rec Center has sound system and will get a projector for us to use. They will accommodate us in the summer to stay open until 8:00 pm.

Beautification: Bridget – Flower Pot contract is due to be signed this month. We have 26 pots that are switched out 3 times per year. The city increased the cost of the contract by 65%. NANA intends to establish an 'Adopt a Pot' fundraiser to help allay the increase. Total cost is \$8,580. NABA will pay for \$2,000. NSP will cover about \$3,500. Goal is to get 10 \$250 donations. Motion to approve the contract for the Flower Pots, Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasury Report: Sandesh Samdaria – Currently at \$10,274 in annual dues which is about twice the amount as last year. A lot of people also making part of their donations to beautification. Expenses were about \$34,000 for the previous two years.

NSP: Sandesh Samdaria -\$7,375 budget which is less than the previous two years. Proposal to spend about \$3,300 for communication, \$3,300 for beautification and the rest (\$775) for Education and Training. Motion to approve, Seconded, unanimously approved.

SKY Program: Sandesh Samdaria – Teen program will take place during MLK weekend at NAM. Have recruited about 15 so far and can take at least 10 more. Kids program is scheduled for Presidents weekend in February at NAM.

Nominating Committee: Troy Robinson – New Board beginning in May. Reaching out to get people to be on the Board in newsletter/website. Annual Meeting will also take place in May.

Discussion about live-streaming meetings. Currently are doing it only in person.

Website: Patrice Watson – 1258 people on email list when first started the new website/newsletter. Some new additions and some unsubscribers. Currently have about 1150 on the list but Patrice feels this is a good list. We have about 52% opens for every email.

Zoning/Masterplan: Walter Koucky – two guests from City of Cincinnati from Planning Department to speak about the new Master Plan – specifically the Urban overlay district. Provides for buildings that our neighborhood considers essential. Provides a stoppage of demolition without a Board of Zoning Appeal hearing. City has engaged "Urban Fast Forward" to get the plan finished within a year.

Gabriel Couch has been assigned to work with us on this and Maria Dininger is here to assist her tonight. Gabriel brought a power point presentation with her which is attached to these minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm