

NOTES & NEWS: A CLVN publication highlighting membership meetings and events



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- Member Notices**
1. Watch for the date for the Wine Tasting
 2. Outdoor movie dates are June 1 (Frozen), July 13 (Lorax) and August 10 (Nut Job). The movies are shown at Hawthorne School, Seminary and School at dusk. Cartoons before the movies and free snacks.
 3. CAPS meetings are now held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. and the CLVN meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7p.m.

****At Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital-Olson Auditorium-1st Floor, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY JULY 8, 2014

Agenda for July 8, 2014
1. Presentation by Ald. Tunney and Mike Restivo, 44 th Ward Superintendent
2. President's Report-Marsalek
3. Special Election of CLVN Recording Secretary
4. Approval of Minutes –May
5. Treasurer's Report-Zenoff
6. Nominating Committee-Zenoff
7. LVCC Report-Saliture/Patzner
8. CDDC Report-Poppy
9. New Business
10. Old Business
11. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

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| 6/1/14 | Outdoor movie at dusk at Hawthorne-Frozen |
| 6/10/14 | CAPS meeting 6:30 p.m. |
| 7/8/14 | CAPS meeting 6:30, CLVN meeting 7p.m. |
| 7/13/14 | Outdoor movie at dusk at Hawthorne-Lorax |

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM MAY 13, 2014 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Officers in attendance: Jeannie Saliture-Vice President, Alan Zenoff-Treasurer, Jason Osborn-Corresponding Secretary and Area Directors: Mike Canning and Terry Diamond. Excused officers were Karen Gaus and Joe Ravelingeen-Area Directors. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Liz Houtz-Tree House Foundation: Houtz is the Program Manager for Community Cats. The program consists of feral cats who are sterilized that get rid of mice and rats. These are wild cats and not cats that are pets. The wild cats are trapped, neutered and put into the program. The cats mark their territory. A Cook County ordinance requires sponsorship of the program which is being done by Tree House and PAWS. The program is in this 3rd year. Approximately 120 cats have been used in areas including Lake View. Staff make a site inspection. The cats are delivered in crates and need to be fed. The cats stay in the crates for 3 weeks. Acclimation can be in a backyard, shed, basement or garage. The cats will kill rats and their babies. The total cost is about \$200 per cat which includes the neutralization, crate, litter and other supplies. The cats can also live on decks or areas without green space such as concrete. The cats are fed dry food. The cats are social and a minimum of 2 cats should be housed in the colony. The cats stay in the territory where the food and water are for them. Contact Houtz for more information at 773-798-9250 or liz@treehouseanimals.org.

Zoning Request for 1037 W. Oakdale- The zoning request has been resolved and no vote was need by CLVN.

Second Presentation for zoning request for RM5 for 926-928 W. George: Attorney Nick Ftikas, Kenny Motew of Mo2 Properties and Architect Jay Keller presented. This property is an existing 13 unit apartment building that has existing, non-conforming zoning. It is zoned RT-4, but is over the FAR by a couple hundred sq feet within the footprint of the building. The rear porches were enclosed in the 1970s or 1980s and permits cannot be found in connection with the addition. The owners seek to renovate and update the property. The enclosed porches are now an issue. A water bill was discovered from 1968 which listed the building as 6 units. The owners are now trying to resolve the 13 unit issue. There will be 7 parking spots in the rear of the building. The footprint of the building stays the same including the height, length and width. The owners seek to upzone from RT4 to RM5. This is the second presentation at CLVN. The owners and their lawyer have met with the CLVN Planning and Zoning Committee. The owners have agreed to down zone to RT4 after the certificates of occupancy are issued. The owners are also adding bike parking on the site. Also they will file an elective type 1 application and the plans will be attached. Terry Diamond spoke for the CLVN P&Z Committee which made a recommendation to support the plan. Diamond indicated the property was zoned RM5 in the 1990's. The building will stay the same size and it will look nicer for the community. A restrictive covenant will be filed to rezone the property back to RT4 after the certificate of occupancy is issued. A vote was taken with 17 in favor and one against. Marsalek will send a letter to Ald. Tunney for this vote.

Presentation by Ald. Tunney: Ald. Tunney stopped by to inform us he had 2 other matters on his schedule. He will address us at the July 8th meeting. His office is working on many sewer projects in the area and the resurfacing of Barry. Work will be done on George from Racine to Halsted.

Memo of Understanding for 2901 N. Sheffield: John Durkin and Rick Douglas presented for BarCocina, a casual restaurant serving upscale modern Mexican food. This matter was previously approved by CLVN conditioned on a Memo of understanding with the community. They are spending close to \$1 million in upgrades to the space and will focus on using the event space in the back. They will be open for lunch and brunch and will be food focused. There will not be any TVs. The hours will be Sunday to Thursday until midnight and may be later on Friday and Saturday. They will have outdoor seating in front at some point. The restaurant seats 125 plus the private party space. The side lot will continue to be parking. There will be no DJs or live music on a regular basis. They need to have an entertainment license because of the party space and the needs of guest that book the space for private events. They seek a Public Place of Amusement (PPA), a Restaurant and an Incidental Liquor License. Marsalek highlighted the MOU with those in attendance-the terms include that the business will operate as a restaurant, the business will control sound levels, live entertainment and the dance floor will be in the rear party room, all staff will be Bassett trained, they will be a good neighbor, they will clean the outer area within 1 hour of closing, no bottles dumped from 10 p.m. to 7a.m., they will have a smoking area and clean it, no application for a tavern license, no application for a late night license, they will come to CLVN for a Sidewalk Café License, they will not apply for a patio license for one year, they will attend CAPS meetings, they will manage deliveries and they will have food specials with any promotions they have. They hope to open in spring 2015. A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jackie Price to approve the MOU for this business. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation by George Street Pub on expansion plans: Jim Donnary indicated he wanted to expand to offer the neighbors a place to hold a private event. He is expanding into the current space next door which is now the Paintbrush. The capacity would be 110 individuals for both rooms. Zenoff reported that the business is great and they are good for the neighborhood. Donnary indicated he has been in business now for 3 years on George. He has also hosted the CLVN Beer Tasting.

President's Report: The 2014 CAPS schedule is on the CLVN website and future meeting dates are June 10, July 8, August 12, Sept. 9, Oct. 14, and Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Olson Auditorium. The CLVN Wine Tasting was rescheduled due to the Blackhawks playoffs. The beautification committee has 2 estimates for work on Agassiz, A meeting was attended by Marsalek and the bar owners with the Chicago Police to go over procedures for closing etc on Sheffield for the upcoming months. The summer movies will be June 1- Frozen, July 13-Lorax and August 10-Nut Job shown at dusk at Hawthorne School with free snacks. The movies are presented by CLVN, Hawthorne Neighbors, Ald. Tunney and Central Lake View Merchants Association. CLMA Belmont Sheffield Music Fest is June 7 and 8. Billy Joel and Blake Shelton (July 19) will perform at Wrigley this summer. The CLVN Party will be held on Saturday September 6, 2014 on the 1000 block of George-more info to come. Please keep drains at the corners free of debris so rainwater has somewhere to drain. The event at Wellington and Sheffield will not be proceeding this year due to more planning needed. Work will be done at the corners to meet ADA requirements on Seminary from Diversey to Wellington. Marsalek met with VIC reps, condo reps, police and the Alderman's office to discuss progress made so far including the noise being eliminated from idling engines. Thanks to all who helped in the area clean up and Vaughan's for hosting a lunch after the clean up. Thanks to the Chicago Cubs for providing tickets to CLVN to attend a night game. 3016 N. Seminary had another court date and is addressing the violations. 1015 W. Wellington is in full compliance and the court case has been closed. Thanks to all who participated in the CLVN Flower Sale. Also thanks to all who are helping with the planting and mulching of the corners. The Divy bike station is being moved on Wellington to the north side of the Street. City Dough closed and Alderman Tunney is in communication with the business about their future and the placement of the sidewalk café. Agassiz is holding an on line auction. A meeting will be held to see the final plans for the 3200 N. Clark project on May 14, 2014 at the 19th District-850 W. Addison at 6p.m.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jeannie Saliture to approve the minutes for March. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Zenoff reported there is \$16,199.10 in the bank. A budget until November 30, 2014 was attached to the treasurer's report. A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jackie Price and Mike Canning to approve the proposed budget. The motion passed unanimously.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: No report

CLMA report: Isacson reported on Thursday in the month of May free Italian food will be offered at Wilton and Belmont from 5-7 p.m. CLMA has Charlie the Mascot which is a dog. They also have a fish book and game in which Charlie looks into the neighborhood for fish events, activities and restaurants. The Belmont/Sheffield Music Festival will be held June 7 and 8 and CLVN can volunteer to be bartenders. CLMA will be sponsoring a night at the art institute on July 10. In August they will sponsor a cruise night for 150 to attend. Isacson thanked the neighbors for attending the CLVN meetings.

CDDC Report: No report

LVCC Report: Saliture reported the meeting is next month and LVCC now also meets every other month.

Ald. Tunney: Duffy reported

Old Business: Petitions have been distributed to neighbors to circulate and are available at Cleaned in the USA on Wellington to change the zone 383 hours to 5p.m. -9a.m.

New Business: Laura Kotelman has resigned as the Recording Secretary as she is moving from the CLVN area. Rick Cummings has offered to serve in her position. The CLVN By-Laws provide if a vacancy of an office occurs that a special election must be held. We will hold the election at the next meeting on July 8th. If you want to run for this office send an email to marsalek722@gmail.com. The duties of the office are listed in the CLVN By-Laws. Marsalek named Alan Zenoff as the chair of the nominating committee. The CLVN By-Laws provide for the election of officers at the November meeting. Zenoff and his committee will provide a slate of candidates at the September meeting. If anyone wants to run for a CLVN office they should send Alan an email at azenoff@zenoffandzenoff.com

Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Mike Canning to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The Commander's contact information is elias.voulgaris@chicagopolice.org. Our beat is 1933 which meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month and the meeting dates are June 10, July 8, August 12, Sept. 9, Oct. 14 and Dec. 9 in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. The police informed us at the May 13th meeting that there has been a 77% reduction in robberies compared to last year. There have been 2 reported burglaries in the last 30 days. 6 unlawful entries were reported. 17 thefts were reported. The total index crimes were 22 in the last 30 days which is a 32% reduction from last year. Tagging was discussed. Call 311 to report and send pictures to the CAPS office at caps19district@police.org. If scrapers are a nuisance call the police. In the warm weather locks doors and windows. Do not advertise your property by carrying your phones in public where they are visible. Catalytic Converters are still being stolen for the metals. Court Advocacy training will be held on May 29, 2014 at the station at 7p.m. Sign up for CLEARpath at www.chicagopolice.org to find the latest news and communicate with the police. Also you can text the police and receive cash rewards for tips on crime see www.chicagopolice.org/txt2tip. The 19th District CAPS phone number is 312-744-0064.

Questions about your membership? Know neighbors that want to join? Go to www.clvn.org to download a copy of our membership form or contact Diann Marsalek at Marsalek722@gmail.com.

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