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

CLVN Dues for 2020 are now being accepted. Dues are $20 per person, $10 if you are a senior (60 years or older) and $50 for a business. You can pay by check, cash or paypal.

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

NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2019

Agenda for Nov. 12, 2019

1. Update from Advocate Illinois Masonic for Wellington and Mildred and Sheffield and Wellington
2. President’s Report-Marsalek
3. Approval of Minutes – Sept. 10, 2019
4. Treasurer’s Report-Kerr
5. Committee Reports
6. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond
7. LVCC Report
8. Aldermanic Report
9. LVECC Report-Klees
10. Agassiz Report
11. New Business
12. Old Business
13. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

12/19 CLVN Holiday Party – River on Sheffield

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM SEPT. 10, 2019 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Officers in attendance: Terry Diamond-Vice President, and Area Directors-Dorothy Klees, Sharon Williams and Charley Wilcox. Excused officers were Ross Kerr-Treasurer, Mary Anderson-Corresponding and Area Director Dorothy Mroski. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Susan Nordstrom Lopez of Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital: Susan Nordstrom Lopez introduced Tim Tracey of Smithgroup (architect), KLOA who performed the parking study, Turner Construction and Jack George, attorney for the Hospital. The hospital presented to CLVN in May and July seeking to amend the PB 50 (planned development-the City zoning ordinance controls the development of the Hospital Campus) to add a parking garage on Sheffield between Wellington and Nelson, raze the former cancer center at Mildred and Wellington and to replace the building on Nelson to extend the new Center for Advanced Care to the el track. The building at Wellington and Mildred will be razed and a new building will be erected with a green roof. The surface parking lot bordering Mildred and Oakdale will remain a surface lot. The building will consist of masonry with glass and punched windows for light. The mechanicals will be located within the building.
A new parking deck is proposed as part of the PD 50. The first floor will house physical therapy with the other floors for parking. A traffic study was performed in March and June of 2019 during 7:45 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and 5p.m.-6 p.m. During the recent study they found pedestrian and bike and car traffic all up from March study. The entrance and exit to the parking deck will be on Nelson. There are 408 spaces in the garage with 30 dedicated to the therapy patients so 378 can be used by staff and others. The Hospital will terminate contracts with the VIC and Century for 150 offsite parking spaces. There are 380 parking spaces in the garage on Halsted north of Wellington. There will be one lane to enter and exit on Nelson. Employees pay $40.00 per month for parking. All parking spaces in garages amount to 1645 spaces. They are addressing lighting concerns and looking at sensors. A slide presented shows the wall or a covering to block the headlights on cars so this light will not spill on to the street. Also two large poles on the roof would be on sensors for lighting or have dimming capabilities. The intent is to keep light from spilling out onto Sheffield.

The Hospital would have to return for another amendment to use the additional far (building are) included in PD50. They are seeking to amend and expand the PD to include the property on Sheffield between Sheffield and Wellington and Nelson to build another parking garage to serve Advocate Medical Campus. They will meet with various city agencies. The Hospital hopes to appear before the Chicago Plan Commission on Oct. 23 and seek to have the PD amended in November of 2019.

A resident suggested the Hospital educate the staff to use public transportation as a way to reduce parking and traffic congestion. The Hospital informed us many of the employees come from far places to work and work 12 hour shifts leaving at odd times. Another resident raised concerns about traffic congestion on Sheffield and pedestrian safety. The Hospital plans to move the entrance to the garage to Nelson to take some traffic off Sheffield. The Hospital will eliminate a curb cut on Sheffield. The Chicago Dept. of Transportation is reviewing the plans and may require additional crosswalks. Another resident is concerned about the traffic congestion during Cubs games, concerts at the VIC and neighborhood traffic. Another resident offered the Hospital should consider staggering the garage use by moving employees to other garages and using this new structure for patients and visitors. The Hospital indicated patients want a closer facility to park in.

Another resident asked about converting the parking structure into offices in the future if parking demand decreased. The Hospital said it was not feasible due to the height of the ceilings which were lowered to keep overall height of the garage and low as possible. Jack George, attorney for the Hospital, informed the group the Hospital will not be using the space by the el as part of their floor area ratio or FAR.

Marsalek informed the Hospital that there are still open items and the matter was not ready for a vote. It was suggested the hospital draw up the required documents and covenants for CLVN to review. They will present at the next meeting on Nov. 12, 2019.

**Second Presentation by 3141 N. Sheffield to Amend the Type 1 Zoning:** Tabled to the next meeting.

**President’s Report:** The final Community Policing and CLVN meetings for 2019 will be Nov. 12. Marsalek reminded members that CLVN dues for 2020 will be due on January 1, 2020 and are now being accepted. You can pay on paypal or send to our Treasurer, Ross Kerr, 3033 N. Clifton, Chicago. Thanks to all who made our summer movies so successful including our sponsors. A fall fest to meet the neighbors will be held on Sunday Sept. 22, 2019 at Bar Cocina on Sheffield from 3-5 p.m. for $20.00 which includes drinks and food. The Festival of the Arts will be this weekend at Broadway and Belmont. CLVN will work with Agassiz on the Halloween Party. CLVN will be making our donation to Agassiz for their advanced learning lab on Sept. 23, 2019. Last month CLVN approved donating $5000.00 to Agassiz for the FUSE Stem Program. This is a match of funds with Ald. Tunney’s $5000.00 donation to the Learning Lab. A grant was received from Boeing for the balance to fund the Learning Lab. The CLVN Holiday Party will be held on Dec. 19, 2019 at the River on Sheffield. *** Since the meeting CLVN was informed that the Halloween Party at Agassiz was cancelled due to the teacher’s strike.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Marsalek reported for Kerr. The account balance for all our accounts is $19,775.71. Income was from memberships, movie night and interest. Expenses were Constant Contact for our emails and movie night.
Approval of July 9, 2019 Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to approve the minutes from July 9, 2019 which was seconded by Charles Wilcox. The motion passed unanimously.

Beautification Report: Marsalek reported that volunteers are needed to plant spring bulbs and mums on the corners on Sept. 28 and 29, 2019 from 11-2p.m. We will also put mulch on the corners. Send an email to centrallakeviewneighbors@gmail.com if you can help.

Nominating Committee: The election of CLVN officers for 2020 will be held on the November 12, 2019 meeting. If you want to run for an office contact Terry Diamond, Chair of the CLVN Nominating Committee. A slate of officers will be announced in October before the November election. We need a Treasurer and a Recording Secretary who takes the minutes at the meeting. You can view the descriptions at the CLVN By-Laws on the CLVN website.

Ald. Report: Jessup introduced Ethan Cox who is a new staffer for Rep. Feigenholtz. Rep. Feigenholtz was chairing a town hall meeting on the climate. There will be a property tax workshop at Ann Sather's on Sept. 19 from 6-7:30 p.m. Bring your tax bill. You can sign up for Rep. Feigenholtz newsletter and they are on both facebook and twitter. Jessup reported there are 409 police staff at the 19th District which was up from 326 at the time after the merger. An Aids Garden Chicago Memorial Space will be located at the lake in the space south of Belmont. There will be 2 water fixtures and a sculpture. The Governor's Capitol Plan helped to fund the garden along with Reps. Feigenholtz and Harris. The Chicago Park District and Mayors Emanuel and Lightfoot also are on board with the garden. The garden will be a living and interactive space. This will be a 2 million dollar project.

Ald. Tunney also addressed the membership. He attended three days of the trial of the offender charged with the murder of a young man a few years ago on Sheffield near Oakdale. A jury deliberated and returned a finding of guilty for involuntary manslaughter. A sentencing hearing will be in the future.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Poppy reported the committee is reviewing the request of the Hospital and 3141 N. Sheffield.

CDDC Report: Poppy reported a review was done of the plan by Optima for the space at Treasure Island which will be a mixed use with 254 apartments and 900 sq ft of retail space. Ald. Tunney commented that the population of the City is decreasing. Downtown has empty nest esters and young people living there. There are 55,000 individuals living in the ward compared to 60,000. Plans now look to increase density near commercial areas. Density has decreased from Ashland to Racine as more single family homes are being built.

LVCC Report: Tabled to the next meeting.

Lake View East Chamber of Commerce: Maureen Martino also reported on the plan for the former site of Treasure Island. Businesses like when more people are living in the area and less density hurts businesses. New planters have been installed on Belmont. Cement was laid at the corner of Wellington and Sheffield by fish Bar so the mud pit is gone. The security team is active and has found many overhead garage doors open while patrolling. You can attend or volunteer for the Festival of the Arts which is in its 15th year. The festival is held on Broadway this weekend. Dry Hop and Pastorl will be showcased. There will be a children's area, music, wine garden and a cooking area along with art. You can participate in the Lake View supper club which goes monthly to neighborhood restaurants for dinner specials. Residents thanked the custodial staff for cleaning the neighborhood and security for the work they do in the neighborhood.

Ald. Tunney told us that recreational marijuana is looking at occupying the space at John Barleycorn on Clark. Triangle and Hawthorne Neighbors will discuss this at their community meetings. Also sports betting will be near Wrigley.

Agassiz: No report

Chicago Cubs: No report

Old Business: None

New Business: Saliture announced that Our Lady of Mount Carmel is hosting a Fall Fest on Sept. 21, 2019 with tickets $40.00. Volunteers and sponsors are needed. Marsalek
announced St. Alphonsus is holding it Oktoberfest the weekend of Sept. 27-29. Ald. Tunney announced that the Merlo Library is under renovation for a 7 million dollar rehab.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Jackie Price to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m. The next meeting is Nov. 12, 2019 at 7p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The final Community Policing meeting for 2019 will be on Nov. 12. The Commander is Christopher Papaioannou and his contact information is chris.papaioannou@chicagopolice.org. The CAPS meeting was held Sept. 10, 2019. There were 21 thefts. Thieves are targeting bars and restaurants to steal purses, wallets and cell phones. Do not leave your purse on the back of a chair in a public place. Do not leave valuables in your cars. Also remove your garage door opener from your car and any items with your home address. There were 3 burglaries which is 66% down from last year. The burglaries are occurring when doors and windows are left open. Use your alarm when you are home. There were 7 robberies in which phones and money were taken. If you are a victim of a crime try to report it as soon as possible and give a good description. A member wanted to commend two officers for responding to a burglar alarm and waiting for the home owner to return. A member asked about homeless individuals sleeping at the Wellington el. The police will follow up about a group of guys hanging in a car on the 3000 block of Clifton. Another member asked about citations issued to dog owners when the dogs are off leash. A community conversation for the 19th District Strategic Plan will occur at Uptown Library 929 W. Buena from 6-8 p.m. The next CAPS meeting will be held on Nov. 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. 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. Gang and narcotics related calls can be made anonymously. 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 centrallakeviewneighbors@gmail.com.

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