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

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Member Notices

1. Community Policing meetings are held on the second Tuesday of odd months at 6:30 p.m. and the CLVN meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of the odd months at 7 p.m.

2. CLVN Dues for 2018 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.

3. The Agassiz Halloween Party is Oct. 21, 2017 at the school from 10 a.m.-noon.

4. CLVN Holiday Party at Mad River will be held on Dec. 13, 2017 at 6 p.m. Free food and refreshments. RSVP to centrallakeviewneighbors@gmail.com.

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

NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 14, 2017

Agenda for NOVEMBER 14, 2017

1. Second presentation and voting item for request by Botega Ramos at 1134 W. Diversey for an incidental liquor license
2. Second Presentation and voting item for Zoning request for 922-924 W. George from RT4 to RM5
3. Presentation by Commissioner Bridget Gainer
4. Election of CLVN officers for 2018
5. President's Report-Marsalek
6. Approval of Minutes –September 2017
7. Treasurer's Report-Kerr
8. Committee Reports
9. CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond
10. LVCC Report
11. Ald. Report
12. LVECC Report
13. Agassiz Report
14. New Business
15. Old Business
16. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

11/14/17 CAPS 6:30 p.m.; CLVN 7p.m.
12/13/17 CLVN Holiday Party at Mad River

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM September 12, 2017 MEETING

CLVN Vice-President, Jeanne Saliture, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Officers in


**Presentation of Bodega Ramos of 1134 W. Diversey for an incidental liquor license:**
Deferred to the Nov. 14, 2017 meeting at request of Mateo Ramos.

**Presentation for Zoning Request for 922-24 W. George from RT4 to RM5:**
Chris Leach, attorney, Collin McKenna from Golub & Company and Jeff Levin, architect presented their request to rezone 922-24 W. George from RT4 (Residential Townhouse 4) to RM5 (Residential Multi-Unit 5) to legalize a basement apartment that existed in the property when Golub acquired the property in 2016. The City's records do not show the 12th unit, however it was listed on the certified rent roll when Golub acquired the property in 2016. Golub has photos to show what the unit looked like at the time it purchased the building. McKenna stated the 12th unit and a laundry room were located in the basement. The above grade 11 units have been renovated including in-unit washers and dryers eliminating the need for the laundry room. The basement unit would be expanded to include a part of the area that was former laundry room. McKenna stated they have 13 electric meters to indicate there were 12 units plus one meter for the common area. In the 1990's the property had been rezoned from R5 to RM5. The 12th unit would have been grandfathered if the City had records to indicate the unit existed before the area was down zoned. The owner's attorney stated Golub would sign and record a restrictive covenant prior to the rezoning that it would rezone the property back to RT4 after the building permit and certificate of occupancy were issued by the City. The Alderman could rezone the property back to RT4 if the permits and certificate of occupancy were not issued within 18 months. It was recommended that the deadline to rezone the property be extended from 18 to 24 months due to the time that it now takes to obtain building permits and inspections. The matter was referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee for review and discussion at the November 14, 2017 meeting.

**President's Report:** The last Community Policing and CLVN meetings for 2017 will be 11/14/17. The outdoor summer movies were very successful. Thanks to the sponsors-Ald. Tunney, Chicago Cubs, Lake View East Chamber of Commerce, Barcocina, Mad River and Hawthorne Neighbors. The CLVN fall fest will be held at Barcocina on Sept. 17th from 4:30-7:30 with a suggested donation of $20 for food and refreshments. Come and meet your neighbors. National Night Out was successfully held on Aug. 1, 2017 at Hamlin Park. Coffee with a Cop will be held on Sept. 26, 2017 from 4-6 p.m. at Starbucks, 3549 N. Sheffield. The CLVN Holiday Party will be held on Dec. 13, 2017 at Mad River. Watch for more details.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jeanne Saliture reported the account balances are $15,756.57. Income over the summer months was from memberships and donations at the summer movies. A 2018 budget will be presented at the Nov. 14, 2017 meeting for approval. Ross Kerr also provided copies of the current budget and accounts for the meeting.

**Lake View East Chamber of Commerce:** Christina Roberts, the Marketing and Community Development Manager from LVECC reported that this year's 13th Annual Lakeview East Festival of the Arts was a huge success. She thanked all of the artists, volunteers, vendors, and sponsors who helped to make this year’s event a huge success. There was still time to buy art work from the festival by going to 2017 Festival of the Arts website. Christina also reminded members about the Barcocina Fall Event on September 17 and the Belmont Theatre District events in October, 2017. Roberts also reported that LVECC is the service provider for SSA #17 and her office is on Sheffield just north of Belmont. Since January, 2017 LVECC as the service provider for the SSA #17 has provide maintenance, landscaping, and supplemental security services for the SSA #17 District. Terry Diamond thanked LVECC for its help at the summer movies and for the improvements they have made since it became the service provider for SSA #17.

**Approval of July Minutes:** A motion was made by Terry Diamond to approve the July 11, 2017 minutes. The Motion was seconded by Karen Gaus. The motion passed unanimously.

**Ald. Tunney Report:** Chris Jessup thanked LVECC for the great job that they are doing as the SSA #17 service provider. Due to the staff and private patrols added by LVECC, the streets are now cleaner and safer. Chris reported the number of police officers assigned to the 19th District increased from 330 in November to 370 officers in September; additional officers have been assigned to the area around the Belmont “L” stop. The South Loop Market at the southeast corner of Sheffield and Wellington is scheduled to open at the end of September, 2017. Their plan of
operation is posted on the City's Business affairs website. It is one of the most restrictive plans of operation for a local grocery store. South Loop Market will be closing every night by 10:00 p.m.

Jessup also discussed the proposed amendment to the City Liquor Sales Ordinance that was presented on August 30 at the City's Licensing Committee. The new amendment would prohibit package goods license holders from selling wine or liquor less than 25 fluid ounces or a single serving of beer or malt liquor after midnight. He also talked about the new Mosaic (bricolage) on the Chipotle Building at 1025 W. Belmont. The mosaic was installed by Green Star Movement and 15 After School Matter students with partial funding from Alderman Tunney. Alderman Tunney is sponsoring the annual 44th Ward Document Shredding Day on Saturday, September 23 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Midway Movers will be at the 44th Ward office to provide free document shredding. Mi Tierra on Belmont closed. There is a potential new buyer for the restaurant; they will be applying for a new liquor license and will need a Plan of Operation. A new wine bar will be opening on the north side of Belmont next to Home Run Inn. One of the members asked about the replacement of the pedestrian traffic sign in the intersection of Seminary and Belmont. Chris explained that the pedestrian ROW sign had been replaced previously and was very expensive. Therefore the Alderman could not justify replacing it and was looking for a local business to fund a replacement.

**Beautification Committee Report**: Saliture reported for Marsalek that volunteers will be planting spring bulbs and mums on Sept. 16 -17 at the CLVN corners. Also all the tree boxes surrounding Agassiz School have been completed with brick.

**CDDC Report**: Poppy and Diamond reported that the 44th Ward CDDC met on July 26, 2017. Blitzlake Development's future purchase and development of the Lakeview Learning Center property at the northwest corner of Clark and School Street (3300 N. Clark) was the main item on the agenda. Blitzlake is the developer of the Target property at 3200 N. Clark. Blitzlake was purchasing the 23,672 sq. ft. site for $7 Million or about $300 per square foot. The property is zoned B3-3 and is a TOD because it is less than 1,320 sq. ft. from the CTA Belmont L Stop. Under the existing zoning Blitzlake could build a 79'11" tall, 92,000 SF building including 76 residential units. Blitzlake and its architects presented initial plans for the property that showed a 127' tall glass curve shaped mixed use building containing 171 dwelling units, 12,500 sq. ft. first floor commercial space and 15 parking spaces. This would require rezoning the property to B3-5 and then to a Planned Development. Members of the CDDC expressed concern about the height, density and limited parking. Blitzlake is scheduled to meet with the Hawthorne Neighbors in September 2017.

**Planning & Zoning Committee Report**: Poppy reported that the owner of 821 W. Oakdale had received his permit to install the basement unit. Construction in progress but the owner was having difficulty getting city inspectors to inspect the work. The owner anticipated construction would be completed in October 2017. After the construction was complete, his attorney would file an application with the City to rezone the property back to RT4.

**Nominating report**: Saliture reported the slate for 2018 officers of CLVN are as follows: Diann Marsalek-President, Terry Diamond-Vice President, Ross Kerr-Treasurer, Lauren Scohnic-Recording Secretary, Mary Anderson-Corresponding Secretary, Area Directors-Charley Wilcox, Sharon Williams, Dorothy Klees and Dorothy Mroski. The elections will occur on the Nov. 14, 2017 meeting and nominations can be taken from the floor at the meeting.

**LVCC Report**: Klees reported that the LVCC meeting had been cancelled due to the lack of a quorum.

**Agassiz School report**: No report. Members brought school supplies for the school. Karen Gaus collected the supplies and agreed to take them to the school.

**Old Business**: None.

**New Business**: None.

**Adjournment**: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Dorothy Klees. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

**CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933** (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The CAPS meeting was held on September 12, 2017. The Commander is Marc S. Buslik and his contact information is marc.buslik@chicagopolice.org. The next CAPS meeting will be held
on November 14, 2017 in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. A review of crimes for our beat occurred. There were 8 burglaries and 7 robberies in the beat in the last 60 days. There was an armed robbery on the 2800 block of N. Seminary on September 2, at 11:00 p.m. The offender approached the victim with a weapon and demanded the victim's property then fled on foot and drove away in an older grey or silver sedan. To avoid being a victim, the police advised neighbors to stay on main streets, don't use alleys, take transportation if possible, stay off your cell phone, keep valuables hidden and be aware of your surroundings. Always lock your car doors, residence doors and garage doors. If you have an alarm and cameras use them. Don't leave any items visible in your car. Call 911 for police and fire emergencies, crimes in progress, immediate threat to life or bodily harm, or major property damage or loss. Jessup commented that the private security from SSA 17 and the Cubs are communicating with the police and working together. There was a meeting with the CTA, private security, the police and the hospital security to address communication and working together. 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.

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