

**HISTORIC BREWERS HILL ASSOCIATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Time: 5:30pm - Meeting Start

Place: Pilcrow Coffee, 416 W Walnut

I. Call to Order - 5:35pm

Members Present: Rachel, Molly, Aaron, Dan, DeWayne, Larry, Elizabeth, Fred
There seemed to be a total of 30-35 people present in total

II. Treasurer's Report and Membership Update

Current Balance: \$7,616.28

87 Households in good standing

III. Secretary's Report

As an attempt to make our board and what we do more visible, we will be publishing monthly board meeting minutes to www.historicbrewershill.com

- Reminder: Members should pick up their yard sign as part of our visibility initiative

IV. Vice President's Calendar of Events

Easter Egg Hunt Recap - it was a success - around 15 kids showed up with a number of adults to the corner of Reservoir and Palmer.

Neighborhood Cleanup - 4/30/22 we will all be meeting at St. Marcus at 9:30-10:00am. Garbage bags and gloves will be available along with some light refreshments. Come rain or shine.

Neighborhood Block Party - 8/20/22 - Dan Olson is building a committee. Come to his house on Tuesday May 3 if you are interested in joining the committee.

V. Guest Speakers

Two officers from District 5

- The two officers promoted a community engagement event that was taking place the following day (April 28) called coffee with a cop. They distributed fliers.
- Update on Crime:
 - Recently there were 2 incidents including one incident of domestic violence and a burglary on the 2000 block of N. Holton on 3/27.
 - Reckless Driving
 - Palmer and Brown is a significant corner on a popular street for joy-riding (Brown). In the past month there have been 3-4 pursuits that have started on Brown. Rachel questioned the policy about when a pursuit is aborted due to safety concerns. The officer clarified that a suspect is pursued only when the suspected crime is a felony (and reckless driving is a felony) For

context, the officer said that even though a high speed chase can be dangerous, when a recent policy shift meant that there were less pursuits, there was actually an uptick in deaths and injuries from reckless driving because there was more of it.

- The officer also responded to some other questions. Here are some highlights: Most reckless driving incidents are committed with stolen vehicles. The police expect a higher-than-usual amount of crime this summer. But they are optimistic that things will settle down by this time next year when they expect staffing to be higher with the addition of some new recruits that are currently in training. The officer made a note of street racing that happens starting on Holton going south to Van Buren and pointed out that this is right on the border between District 1 and District 5, so he was going to follow up with a colleague from D1.
- If citizens want to report a traffic safety issue, they should go straight to the website MPDTSU.org. This data is actually used to make decisions about where to place officers.

Sharon Grinker from Grinker Restoration and It Had to be You LLC

- Fun fact: Pilcrow Coffee (the location of the meeting) was the office for the Grinker Campus in the 70s.
- Sharon shared some neat stories about different jobs that they had done or were currently working on including loading docks being reapportioned, solar panels being installed, and a possible upcoming electric car charging station. The property at the corner of Vel R. Philips and Walnut has been moving slowly - they're currently still deciding what they want to do with it (in the design phase).
- After a question from a member, Sharon had this advice for neighbors:
 - Plant natives as much as possible (Check out the MMSD website - they do an awesome native plant sale and it is coming up)
 - Add solar panels

Lauren Nelson with Schlitz Park, Tenant Experience & Event Coordinator

- Joined before COVID
- Sept. 5k beneficiary TBD
- QR Code - container beer garden on river Wed-Sun w/ food trucks, trivia, live music, events
- Send pictures w/ Schlitz Mural to Twitter
- Kayaks returning to dock at Schlitz
- Schlitz health and wellness workouts

VI. General Business

Strategic Subcommittee

- We will be implementing the following 3 phases in a campaign to increase membership and visibility:

1. Yard Signs
2. Door to Door introductions to build membership
3. Welcome Packages for new neighbors (including gift cards and invites to join the Neighborhood Organization)

HBHA Letters / Communications

- TID41
 - Money for Infrastructure
 - Brewer's Hill traffic calming map was provided to alderwoman
- 116 W Vine
 - The board wrote a letter of support and their construction was approved by the common council
- License Applicants (The board has no concerns with either)
 - Dream Lounge (Triple OT)
 - Jewels Space
- New Clothing Design Contest
 - Details upcoming

VII. Adjournment

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date: June/July 2022

Go Bucks!!