

# CORRYVILLE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** November 14, 2023

**Time:** 6pm

**Location:** Corryville Recreation Center

**Facilitator(s):** Leah Hollstein, Secretary – Corryville Community Council  
Bill Crawford, President - Corryville Community Council; Fran Larkin, VP and Treasurer – Corryville Community Council.

## Call to Order and Opening Comments

## Police and Safety Report

**Shawn Dent, CPD**

- Officer Dent previously was an investigative officer in District 5. He used to cover CUF and Clifton.
- Corryville Crime Stats are available online through the City's website. On [Cincy Insights](#).
- Uptick in theft-related crimes always happens at this time of year.
- Advice from Officer Dent: Don't leave vehicles running, don't leave packages visible. Don't leave cars unlocked or any firearms inside vehicles. Often those breaking into cars are looking for firearms, not money.
- Email address: [Shawn.Dent@Cincinnati-OH.gov](mailto:Shawn.Dent@Cincinnati-OH.gov)
- Question from Fran Larkin about shooting outside of Dive Bar in past few weeks.
  - Patrons of bar had fight. Went outside and continued fight. One left and came back with a gun and shot the other patron.
  - Since the time that the Dive Bar was brought up before City Council for possible rejection of their alcohol license renewal due to multiple calls to the police, there have been minimal calls about the bar.

**Greg Valerius, UC Officer**

- Last football game of year is Saturday after Thanksgiving.
- Commencement is December 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Shop with a Cop December 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Have 27 kids that they will engage with as part of the activity.
- UC police will be working to track down burglars and vehicle thieves over the holiday season.
- Corryville community voted to send \$500 to UC police to contribute to shop with a cop.



## Cincinnati Fire Officer

- Have finished service on fire hydrants – all pumped dry. Ready for winter.
- Reminder that open fire pits need to be 50' distance from a structure.
- You can call 311 and police or fire will come out and deal with the fire.
- You can object to a fire even if it is in accordance with all relevant laws.

## New Business

### Elections

- Elections were held for President, VP, Secretary, and Treasurer, as well as Board of Directors.
  - President – Bill Crawford
  - VP – Fran Larkin
  - Secretary – Leah Hollstein
  - Treasurer – (Will be filled by Crawford and Larkin)
  - Elected Director – Tabatha Adkins
  - Elected Director – Naomi Miller
  - Elected Director – Ed Wiethe

### Jefferson and Ruther Intersection

- We raised our concerns with CDOT about pedestrian safety at this intersection.
- City cannot do a raised crosswalk at this location due to existing infrastructure.
- They can do painted curb extensions instead with plastic paddles to shorten the distance of the crosswalk.
- Question from the community about possibly moving the shuttle stop back by about 10 feet from the intersection with Ruther. There appears to be a fire hydrant in this location – would it be possible to set up a shuttle stop at a fire hydrant?
- We will get back to the city to move forward with the temporary installations.

### CHCURC Mural

- There is a potential to have the muralist that the CHCURC has hired for murals in their neighborhood work on a project in Corryville.
- Rachel Re (Cincinnati Rec. Center) would propose one on the curved corner of the building at University and Eden.
- Fran has a list of locations that might be appropriate for murals, including on Short Vine.
- Suggestions for contextually relevant topics to be muraled can be submitted to the Community Council.
- CHCURC also suggested that we invest in the Short Vine plaza to make it more welcoming to the neighborhood.



## Old Business

### Keystone Hotel Proposal – Jonathan Wolcher, McBride Dale Clarion and Subhas Patel, Keystone Hotels

- A couple of years ago Keystone proposed a hotel at 60 William Howard Taft.
  - Located in the air rights above part of the Kroger parking lot.
  - 6-7 floors (under 75' total from WHT).
- Project was stalled due to the Pandemic.
- Developers are now in the position to restart the project.
- Project is the same – 117 beds, same parking, same height.
- Will be Home2Suites by Hilton rather than a Tru Hotel. Green branding color rather than blue and yellow.
- Kroger ground parking will still exist beneath the hotel, including the pharmacy drive-through.
- Two layers of internal hotel parking with rooms above the parking.
- They are working with the city and asking for TIF funding as part of the project.
- Questions from the community about access from W. Howard Taft, car movement, whether the entrance is going to be aligned with car access to the Uptown Properties development directly South across WHT, the height of the space available below the building.
- Construction will happen 2024 Spring/Summer or 2025 Spring/Summer.
- 8 people voted in support of a motion of support for this hotel project in line with the previous letter of support, subject to approval of the final plans.

### CRC Report – Rachel Re, Director

- In the Spring, the rec centers raised \$37k that went for programming at the rec centers around the city. Any money that was raised directly for Corryville went to Corryville and was used for Senior Programming. They are doing that fundraiser again this fall.
- The adult winter schedule is [available](#)
- Friday January 19<sup>th</sup> the CRC is going to be doing Glow Pickleball. \$10 registration fee for this event.
- The CRC is approaching 40 cars in the parking lot every day. They are in the process of getting a towing contract to get cars towed for people that aren't using the building. They will begin to enforce the parking rules. Signage will say that parking is prohibited between 8 am and 10pm for non-rec center patrons.
- People will be given at least two weeks notice before they begin towing.

### Library

- A number of programs going forward

### NSP Ideas

- Please come to the January meeting with NSP ideas!



## Next Meeting

January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | 6pm, Corryville Recreation Center

We now have an online payment button for membership fees on the CCC website!

<https://corryville.org/7-2-2/membership/>

### Membership Dues:

- (a) Resident Individual Member \$5.00
- (b) Resident Household Member \$8.00
- (c) Nonprofit Entity Member \$10.00
- (d) Religious Entity Member \$10.00
- (e) Non-Resident Property Owner Member \$10.00
- (f) Business Owner Member \$25.00
- (g) Community Group Member/Institution Member \$25.00

