

MWCC Board Meeting: 10/2/19

**Board members present:**

Elissa Pogue  
Kristina Kew  
Sarah Henry  
Shanika Bane  
Nikki Marksberry  
Zak Slemmer  
Mike Cervay  
Wade Johnston

**Financials**

Kristina: Results of Agreed Upon Procedures

- Essentially states that we should improve our documentation. Several missing receipts (see report) however the council is aware how the money was spent.
- Certified Public Accountants have not yet sent the bill
- Discussion regarding the fact that we have a responsibility to be more proactive as a council, rather than delegating all responsibility to the treasurer. The MWCC is in a much better place communication-wise than it was a year ago.

**Pedestrian Safety**

- Sands now has paddles
- Salem has rumble strips

Mount Washington School is open to hosting our meetings should we want to relocate. The exception would be the month of July.

Mount Washington School may be passing along ideas for NSP funds.

**MW Tenant/community member outreach**

- There is potential for us to host meetings at alternative locations in order to reach more community members, with ample heads-up
- Sarah, Shanika are interested in brainstorming potential locations

Book club through public library: Continuing conversations about race, racial justice, etc.

Suggested readings:

- o Thug Life
- o The New Jim Crow
- o Netflix shows, movies could be a good gateway: Thirteenth, When They See Us, The Hate U Give
- o Kids involvement: *Melody 1963: Love has to win*. American Girl story about a girl in Detroit during the race riots

### Kroger's

- Removal of the benches: Certain meeting attendees may have skipped procedural steps in the removal of the benches, which are there to serve people who may not have a car to drive to Kroger's, and who may need the benches to sit and rest. The intention was to discuss the benches again at the next MWCC board meeting before coming to a conclusion. The benches are also very helpful for community events and parades.
- Kroger's could have taken more time to respond, rather than acting on the request of a single citizen.
- Greater police presence could help solve the problem without removing the benches.

### Sweets and Meats

- Kristen is concerned that her customers don't feel safe due to loitering at Dairy Mart
- In order for police to have a greater presence in specific areas, they need to be alerted to the problem
- Kristen has said they are applying for a zoning variance due to their smoker

TGZ and CDC are working together to make their space more accessible for community events

Holiday Walk: Potential street closing on Beechmont

### NSP

- Post cards
- Youth backpacks, power packs
- Shred day
- Dividers on benches
- Cameras
- More focus on the website
- Neighborhood cleanup day, t-shirts, pizza party to follow
- Use broad categories? I.e. Partnerships, communication, beautification...

### Pumpkin Chuck

- Will have 3-4 trebuchets
- Oct 14, 6pm Makers Space appointment to create the banner
- Need a flyer, Wade will create
- Nikki M. made a motion to use Team GDZ for t-shirts, Sarah seconded

Motion made by Nikki M. to approve last month's minutes, seconded by Wade

### **Board Basics:** 315 West Court Street, 5:30-7:30pm

- Financial Basics, Nov 6
- Grant writing/project budgets, Nov 18
- Mediation and difficult conversations, Dec 4

- Engagement and Outreach, Dec 18

Interact for Health: Non-profit Finance for Non Finance People. Upcoming workshop.

Motion to adjourn made by Elissa, Wade seconded