



## **Mt. Washington Community Council**

### **Board Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2023, 7pm**

#### **Welcome and Call to Order**

A meeting of the MWCC board was held via Zoom link on this day. Jaime called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

#### **Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum**

Board members in attendance were Jaime Castle, Sophie Roberto, Michael Gray, Karen Luken, Priscilla Elgersma, Kristina Kew, Rick Meador and Julie Rimer. No one was absent.

#### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Rick made a motion to approve the meeting agenda, Julie seconded, and the meeting agenda was adopted.

#### **Reading of and Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting**

Karen made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2023 board meeting, Sophie seconded, and the minutes were approved.

#### **Unfinished Business**

##### **Pumpkin Chuck**

Priscilla gave a status report of Pumpkin Chuck planning. Please route any requests by a non-profit to have a table at the Pumpkin Chuck to Marc Raab. Hamilton County Department of Public Health will be at the Pumpkin Chuck.

Chipotle is donating ice. Kristina will order LaRosa's pizzas for the trebuchet volunteers.

Then next Pumpkin Chuck planning meeting will be held in the Kyle Plush Pavilion on Thursday, September 14 at 6pm. There will be another September Pumpkin Chuck planning meeting on Thursday, September 28 at 6pm. There will also be two planning meetings in October.

##### **Postcard Update**

Rick shared the draft of the fall postcard with everyone. Five minor tweaks were made to the information on the back of the postcard and Sophie said she will make the changes and get the revised postcard back to Rick by this Friday, September 8.

Rick presented the postcard printing estimates from Mark Hammond. The estimate is approximately \$2620 for the printing of 7500 postcards. That is about \$500 over budget, but Rick said Mt. Washington Cares can kick in the \$500.

Rick explained there are 25 postal routes in Mt. Washington. He selected 14 routes that are the closest to the post office and Stanbery Park. These postcards will go to people between 25 and 75 years old that live in both apartments and homes. Rick suggested that, in evaluating the efficacy of the postcards, we should all try to assess whether the postcard increases traffic to events like the Pumpkin Chuck and the Holiday Walk.

### **New Business**

#### **College, Career, and Community Resource Center Guest Speaker at Next Membership Meeting**

A representative from the public schools' College, Career and Community Resource Center will speak at the September membership meeting.

### **Announcements/Upcoming Events**

Priscilla suggested having Eric Russo, Executive Director of the Hillside Trust, speak at an upcoming meeting. She will see if he is available to speak at either the October or November meeting.

Karen has already garnered \$1400 in Pumpkin Chuck donations!

Karen and Kristina worked together to apply for a Kroger grant for the Pumpkin Chuck.

Rick said we should work on creating a succession plan with Kristina. She knows an invaluable amount of information from serving as treasurer for two terms on the MWCC. We should document this information. Kristina and Rick agreed to go through the MWCC rec center filing cabinet together.

Julie volunteered to oversee the recycling and composting at the Pumpkin Chuck. There was a suggestion that Walnut High School might have some environmental ambassadors who would volunteer to help with recycling and composting the day of the Pumpkin Chuck.

### **Good of the Order**

We all expressed appreciation to Rick for his invaluable work in creating the fall postcard and to Karen for all she has done to collect donations for the Pumpkin Chuck and to make the event green.

### **Adjournment**

Julie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rick. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Rimer