

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



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Member Notices

1. CLVN Block this Saturday, July 19th!
2. Remember to lock the doors to your homes and garages and windows to prevent burglaries. Also remove all valuables from your car when your car is parked.

**Membership Meetings held on the 2nd Thursday of each month (except August)
At Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital on the 7th floor / Clarke Auditorium, 7:30p.m.**

NEXT MEETING September 11, 2008

A representative of Enterprise Car Rental will discuss their plans for updating their space on Sheffield.

Agenda for September 11, 2008

1. Presentation by a representative of Enterprise Rental on their lease and plans for the space on Sheffield.
2. Approval of July Minutes
3. LVCC Report-Marsalek
4. Treasurer's Report-Tatro
5. CDDC Report-Poppy
6. Standing Committee Reports
7. Announcements
8. CTA update-Tatro
9. New Business
10. Old Business
11. Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

7-19	CLVN Block Party
7-21	Safety Seminar 7p.m. at Advocate Ill. Masonic
7-29	Minor league game at Wrigley Field
8-9 & 10	Halsted Street Market Days
8-14	CAPS meeting 7p.m. (NO CLVN MEETING)

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM JUNE 12th MEETING:

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Officers in attendance: Terry Diamond- Vice-President, Jim Bail-Corresponding Secretary, Laura Kotelman-Recording Secretary, Norb Tatro-Treasurer and Area Directors-Marie Poppy, Frank Nussbaum and Jim Masini. Excused officers were Aaron Harkin and Jeannie Sticher-Area Directors. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Chris Matan concerning the Diplomat Hotel at 3208 N. Sheffield: Matan would like to acquire the Diplomat Hotel and convert the property into a youth hotel and a suite hotel. The zoning would conform to the existing zoning however a special use permit would be needed. Matan has presented his proposal to Hawthorne Neighbors, Triangle Neighbors, LVCC and now CLVN. Matan has also talked to Ald. Tunney and the Alderman does not support the project unless it included affordable housing. There are approximately 98 rooms in the building which is used for a single room occupancy (SRO) currently. There are 21 rooms with a private bathroom, 16-18 rooms that share a connected bathroom and 50-60 rooms that share common bathrooms on a floor. The building has been in housing court for code violations. There are three youth hostels in the Chicago area. The goal is for affordable lodging in a clean and well-run hotel. The fee would be \$30 per night. Matan is working with two other partners who have a background in real estate and hospitality. The financing for this project would be 5-6 million. The interior would remain the same except for utility upgrades. Visitors would not be able to stay at the property if they live within fifty miles of the hotel. This could be a place for individuals participating and viewing the Olympics to stay at while in Chicago. There would not be any food service at the hotel. Matan was told it was premature for CLVN to take any action on the matter and that he is free to come back in the future if he purchased the property. If he did purchase the property, a special use permit would be required in which residents in both CLVN and Hawthorne neighbors who live within 250 feet of the property would receive notice of the application.

Presentation by Larry Wroble of Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital on the Planned

Development: Larry Wroble, Vice-President of Operations, discussed the Planned Development for the hospital. A study on the hospital was done which recommended that the standards of care were not being met with the current structures, the infrastructure was old, the campus was not user friendly, more private rooms were needed and clinical programs should be housed near each other. The hospital bought the Inter American School property for the planned development. The plan will consist of three phases including construction of the north pavilion, renovate existing areas and demolish certain buildings. The timeline for the new pavilion would be between 2014 and 2019. The north pavilion would be located on the site of the former school and could be as high as eleven stories or 159 feet. The Stone Building is 143 feet in height. The north pavilion would face Barry and would fit into the streetscape and designed into a two-tier building. The look from Barry would be residential in nature and not be any higher than the Barry properties for the first tier. The north pavilion would house the emergency room, radiology and imaging, pharmacy, therapy, surgical area, intensive care and a mechanical area. The plan is to start with nine stories and have the ability to add two more stories. There would not be any curbs cuts along Barry. The emergency room would be relocated from Wellington to Nelson. The hospital also wants to create a campus environment and be sensitive to the community green space needs. Wroble indicated the hospital will be a major donor to the renovation of Weisman Park. A park on Wilton was proposed which would require the closing of the street. The park could have benches, lighting and fencing to compliment the campus and the neighborhood. The proposed roof of the new building will have a green roof. Various renderings were shown which are just initial thoughts. Some neighbors from Barry asked that the proposed building be set back further from the street, the design of the building be smaller/lower and wider and to seriously review the placement of proposed air handlers due to noise concerns. There will not be any helicopter pad. The building on Wilton would stay as is. The hospital spent \$30,000 to paint the fence and landscape the parking lot at Wellington and Sheffield. There are no plans for anything to be done with that lot at this time. Wroble will make future appearances to keep us updated.

Announcements: Marsalek announced that business items would be tabled to the next meetings due to the length of the two presentations. The property located at 2954-58 N. Sheffield at the corner of Wellington has been sold for \$2.5 million. Restaurants will be on the first floor and offices on the second floor. There will not be an August meeting and the next meeting is September 11th. The summer movie will be shown on Sunday if there is no rain. Thanks to the bars on Sheffield who participated in the Pub Crawl. The CLVN Block Party will be held on July 19th with food and activities for the children.

Garden Walk: Poppy reminded everyone that the Garden Walk will be held on July 20th. Matilda's will donate 100% of the beverage patio sales during the garden walk for the Weisman Park renovation fund. Also, there will be several families selling lemonade at lemonade stands during the garden walk. All of the proceeds from the lemonade stands will go for the Weisman Park renovation fund. A sign is now at the park to let individuals know about the renovation.

New Business: Deb Morrin knows of many cats that need a home. Contact her at dmorrin@morringroup.com. Robin Greene is a new member who lives in CLVN and owns a Housekeeping business. Information on the business can be found at GreeneClean@comcast.net.

Minutes: A motion was made by Jim Masini to approve the May minutes. The motion was seconded by Patrick Berger. The motion passed and the June minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tabled to the September meeting.

Alderman's Report: Tabled to the September meeting.

LVCC Report: Tabled to the September meeting.

CDDC Report: Tabled to the September meeting.

Report on Weisman Park Renovation: Tabled to the September meeting.

CTA Report: Tabled to the September meeting.

Old Business: Tabled to the September meeting.

Adjournment: Terry Diamond made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Jim Bail. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1932 (boundary - Diversey to Belmont between Lincoln & Clark):
There was no CAPS meeting in July. The next CAPS meeting will be held on August 14th at 7:00 p.m. at Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 814 W. Nelson, Clarke Auditorium, and 7th Floor. The 19th District CAPS phone number is 312-744-5574.

Questions about your membership? Know neighbors that want to join? Go to www.clvn.org to download a copy of our membership form or contact Diann Marsalek at marsalek@urbancom.net.

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