

Minutes
Cottontown Board of Directors
Tuesday, May 12, 2009

Members Present	Paul Bouknight, Ellen Cooper, Tom Walters, Mary Broadwater, Carol Finethy, Rusty Sox,
Absent	Josh McDuffie, Dennis Butt, Amy Herin, Julie Seel
Call to Order	President Paul Bouknight called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
Crime & Safety Report	Mr. Bouknight introduced Capt. E.T. Young from the Columbia Police Department. She reported that crime was down in the North Columbia region since January. There was discussion of recent thefts and break-ins that had occurred in the neighborhood.
Christ Central Ministries	Construction and renovation is proceeding on some buildings on the old Hampton Pontiac site.
Historic Preservation	<p>The zoning public hearing for the architectural conservation district is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20. There would likely be one additional reading required before passage by council.</p> <p>The project with Historic Columbia Foundation is moving ahead slowly. There was some participation from Cottontown in the HCF's neighborhood history blitz to collect oral history, images and material objects.</p>
Approval of Minutes	Ms. Cooper moved to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2009 meeting. Ms. Finethy seconded and the minutes were approved.
Cookbook	Ms. Cooper needs many more recipes before the cookbook project will be viable.
North Main Street Land Use	Mr. Bouknight and Ms. Cooper attended a public meeting in April regarding proposed new zoning for the North Main Street corridor. There is supposed to be another such meeting in June.
Fire Station & City Budget Cuts	In spite of rumors, Columbia fire officials and city officials assure that Cottontown's fire station is not in danger of being cut or closed.
4 th of July Parade	The annual parade will take place on Saturday, July 4 at 9:00 a.m. Same format as last year – parade followed by refreshments at the fire station.

National Night Out It was suggested that individuals host “porch parties” on National Night Out, August 4, rather than have a neighborhood-wide event. Visitors could be encouraged to stop at several parties. Paul Bouknight, Ellen Cooper and Rusty Sox each agreed to host one. Will & Ginger Thrift and Julie Seel were suggested as possible hosts to ask.

Adjourn There was no further business. Ms. Broadwater moved to adjourn. Ms. Finethy seconded and the motion was approved.