

West Scioto Area Commission Meeting Minutes - August 17, 2017

Meeting was called to order

Roll Call -

Jess

Larry

Rick

Jo

Rita

Erik

Julie - All present

Jaime - out sick

Approval of the previous month's meeting minutes with two small adjustments
add the word "emergency" to modify the sentence about Demo Permits
add the name of the school that Ben Watkinson attends and the proper
street name it of the school address. Columbus Preparatory Academy
on Chippewa St.

With no need to read the minutes in the meeting

Rita, made the motion

Rick, seconded

All agreed, none opposed

Guest speakers - Keena Smith - Deputy County Administrator

Mr. Stobart - Deputy Police Chief

Chris Long - Project Manager

along with: **Jim Goodenow, Carol Olshavsky, Marleise Wicker,**

and

Doug Schwartz,

This group came to bring information to us regarding the new Jail facility being built on Fisher Road that will replace the old and outdated facility downtown Columbus. They will be starting the site work in October of 2017 with hopes of finishing the project sometime in 2019.

They are wanting to hire Local - at least 50% of the workforce for this project from Franklin County. They are directing people to the County website to make vendor application regarding bidding on jobs for this project. This is not at prison, but a jail, where people are still presumed innocent. 73% are recycled back out into society.

Questions:

Security Levels? This will be a Direct Supervision Facility with Low and Minimum-Security levels. Maximum of 64 people per pod.

How many prisoners? 1st phase will hold 872, 2nd phase up to 2,200 capacity. Currently the downtown facility holds 643 and the Jackson Pike facility holds the 1600.

Discharge process? Currently working on a plan with COTA. Minimum road changes during Phase 1 of the project.

Video arraignments? The goal is for each pod to have its own video facilities for arraignments, meetings with council and other types of visitation.

Smoke free? Yes, this will be a smoke-free facility like all the other city and county facilities.

Greg Burger - Westbelt Sign Graphics Variance

Tabled ... No one here to make the presentation.

David Hodge - Preferred Living, Intro to Trabue/McKinley Development

Brought proposed plans for the what is planned and envisioned for this area of development

Questions:

What school districts will service the new development?

What has come of the Parks/green space studies regarding new developments?

What about the roads in this area?

Claus Eckert - Green Columbus Tree Stewards Program

The goal is 300,000 trees in the Columbus Canopy. We are working for a more "Green" Columbus. We support Earth Day Columbus and a Tree Steward Program
Claus came to tell us about an event promoting this... Tuesday, August 22, at Land-Grant Brewing Company 424 W. Town St. They will be serving Pizza :-)

Old Business:

Budget news from Rita - the first deposit should be coming into the account on August 21

Jess brought the Finalization of the Zoning Procedures

Erik moved to accept

Rita, seconded **All present voted to accept, none apposed**

15th Precinct Night Out Experience - It was a great experience and we should find more opportunities to allow this area to know that they are being now have representation by the WSAC. Rick will get in touch with the organizer of the Golf View Woods Block Party to see if we can get involved.

New Business:

No new business

Meeting adjourned - Jo made the motion