

Carthage Civic League , Inc.
Minutes for October 21, 2019 Meeting

In Joe Nava's absence Barb Bell presided and called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance: 7:30 pm.

Roll Call: Barb Bell, Mary Broughton, Jessica Wolf, Carol Parsley present. Joe Nava and Owen Nisbett were excused. Ron Williams, Rev. Alan Dicken, Sharon Morgan were absent.

Refreshments: Carol Parsley provided.

Reports:

- **Fire** Lt. Bishop from House 2 reported 208 runs this past month. 178 were EMS, 13 were fire and 17 runs not related to ems or fire. He also spoke about the importance of smoke detectors in the home. Smoke detectors are free at the firehouse, or a fireman can bring one to the home and install it. He answered several questions including where to place smoke detectors and when to change batteries .
- **Police** Officer Erica Brazile reported that there have been some robberies in the area between 68th and 72nd streets in Carthage. These are under investigation. The ongoing problem in front of Buckets Bar has been resolved for now. It has been noticed and reported to the Police that people are gathering on the property of the Vine Street Market. Suspected drug deals and acts of prostitution happening on that property will cause problems for the business there. Officer Brazile will speak to the owners of the business about this. She advised us once again to report any suspicious activity to the non-emergency number 513-765-1212. Collect as much information as possible to report when you call. And calls to that number are documented. This data is important, so keep calling when you see something suspicious.
- **Secretary** Last month's minutes will be found on our website carthageohio.com
- **Treasurer**

Balance September 1, 2019		\$24,878.03
Income:	0.00	
Total Income :		0.00
Expenses:		
Carthage Christian Church (meeting rent 2017)	375.00	
Juggler Dave + Friends (balloons)	200.00	
Jessica Wolf (enamel pins)	251.00	
Osterbrook Greenhouse (2020 flowers)	330.00	
Menards (stones + soil for Fairpark Pt).	94.53	
Jessica Wolf (carts - Beautification)	129.95	
Jessica Wolf (bags + gloves Beautification)	31.19	
Burkhardt's Hardware (Beautification)	88.56	
Carthage Christian Church (2018 concert)	350.00	
Carthage Christian Church (meeting rent 2018)	500.00	

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Barbara Bell (tablecloths – Events)	12.00
DSC Office Systems (March/April newsletter)	228.03
DSC Office Systems(Nov/Dec prepay newsletter)	80.77
EMC Insurance Companies (marque)	105.00

Total Expenses 3,126.03

Balance September 30, 2019 \$21,752.00

- **Beautification** no report.
- **Seniors** The seniors are going to be taking a one-day bus trip to visit covered bridges in Ohio. They also will be enjoying their Thanksgiving lunch on November 11, 2019. Chair volleyball and a light lunch are enjoyed on Mondays and Fridays 10:00am to 1:00pm in the Carthage Christian Church lower level. Anyone over 50 is welcome.
- **Carthage Business Association** The kickoff luncheon for the new Carthage Business Association was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on October 17, 2019. A steering committee is being organized and 7 of the 30 attendees volunteered for it. It was a great opportunity to meet and greet fellow business folks in Carthage. A very good lunch was served by El Valle Verde Restaurant. More information on the CBA at the November meeting

Old Business:

Andy's liquor license has been renewed. All of the evidence presented to Liquor Board was not enough to stop the renewal. We must keep phoning the police when we see unacceptable or suspicious behavior happening there in order to compile data to present to the Liquor Board when the license is up for renewal again.

The following appropriations of the NSP funding were presented to the attendees for approval.

Beautification	\$1,843.00
Events	2,385.00
Publication	1,750.00
Insurance	100.00
Total	\$6,078.00

A motion was made by Mary Broughton and seconded by Jessica Wolf to vote on the approval. The vote taken was a unanimous yes.

New Business:

A new Carthage flag was presented by Jessica Wolf, with an explanation of the symbolism of the flag. These flags will be available to purchase for anyone who wants one for their home or business.

Maria Madera, the Safety Coordinator for Carthage spoke about the possibility of a Block Watch program taking place in Carthage. She wants to work with the police and neighboring communities to see if it is possible to get the program going.

Rosalba Arreaga and Aurora Ramirez spoke about San Carlos Parish moving in November to St. Boniface in Northside.

The Children's classes will now be moved to the Carthage Christian Church. Tutors are needed from 3:30 to 4:30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Aurora Ramirez or Ann Ivancic.

Taking care of residents who have low income, are ill or down on their luck is another program that San Carlos has been implementing. Since San Carlos Parish is moving, the ladies in charge of this program need to have an office located in Carthage so that they can continue their work with the support of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference. They also do home visits and hospital visits. They will be inquiring at the local churches in Carthage about possible help they could offer in terms of an office.

Please check our website carthageohio.com to see our request for an administrative assistant for the Civic League. This would be a part time position. See website for more details.

Guests: Jim and Lois Smith from Hartwell were present and invited us to Hartwell's Light Up Celebration on Friday, December 6th. "Light up Hartwell" will take place at the Circle Churches on Parkway Avenue from 6 – 8 pm. Music, hot chocolate, carriage rides and Santa, all free.

Dan Maxwell from UHealth and Christy Zerges from GoVibrant were present. They announced a few new programs being offered:

(1) Take 10 CPR (2) Stop the Bleed (3) 1 Million Step Challenge. The training session will be offered for the first two programs. The GoVibrant Challenge is teamed with the 1 Million Step Challenge. Information about all of this will soon be available on our website carthageohio.com

Announcements:

Fellowship Tabernacle Hall 6910 Vine St

Hope Cafe Dinner and Clothes every Wednesday at 5:30pm

Carthage Christian Church 19 W. 73rd St

Seniors meet Mondays and Fridays 10:00am to 1:00pm

Food Pantry Every 2nd Friday 5pm – 6:30pm

New Jerusalem Baptist Church 26 North Bend Rd

Soup Kitchen 3rd Friday 5:30pm

Monthly Cleanup of Business District

Saturday October 26, 2019 meet in the Carthage School lot at 73rd St. and Fairpark at 9:am. Pickers and pails will be provided. Weather permitting.

Motion to Adjourn

Minutes submitted by Mary Broughton