

CHCA Draft Minutes- February 2025

1. **Attendance** - Leslie Caruso, Matt McKeegan, Brittany Smith, Will Pearce, Mary Ann Ogle, Alan Miroslaw, Jim Rundle, Lis Rundle, Ron Sears, Alessia Klosterman-Lando, Meredith Button, Anne Campbell, Griffin Royse
2. **Review/Approve prior month's minutes** – *Mary Ann motion, Will second, passed.*
3. **Treasurer's Report**
 - **Fund Balances, revenues, expenses, invoices**
 - Matt sent the P&L reports and reconciliation forms for the CHCA accounts (Checking and Money Market Savings only) for January 2025, via email. The account balances are Checking ~\$3,399 and Money Market Savings ~\$18,367. He noted that there was no activity to reconcile in the regular savings account.
 - Matt sent the federal and state tax filings for 2024, via email. He noted that there may be additional filing requirements for the state if assets go over \$25,000.
 - Matt sent the finalized budget plan for the 2025 CHCA activities, via email.
 - Matt said he sent out the 2025 invoices for Courier ads and has received five of the seventeen back thus far. He added that he needs the magnet cost from GraphX to complete Cynthia's invoice. Leslie offered to reach out to GraphX. Matt said he will follow up on the outstanding ads.
4. **Courier Update**
 - The group discussed the idea of hand delivering rather than mailing the magnet by including it in an envelope with the Courier. Matt estimated that we should save \$~250-275 by hand delivering rather than mailing the magnet. Will and Leslie said they were concerned about the tight timing this year and agreed it is their preference to mail this version. The group agreed to mail the magnets as usual for 2025. Mary Ann suggested to include instructions to the trustees and note that the delivery is time sensitive if the decision is to hand deliver rather than mail the magnets next year. Leslie offered to reach out to GraphX for the mailing cost. Leslie said she can announce the decision to hand deliver future magnets at the trustee dinner.

5. Meeting with Elford/Takeaways

- Ron drafted a summary regarding the meeting with Boundless and Elford on January 31st and distributed it to the group. The following is a summary of the draft:
Elford intends to buy the property from Boundless. Elford is targeting to start construction this June and development plans have not been finalized. Boundless and Elford have not exchanged money. Worthington plans to use a PUD to approve the development of the property; this would replace all present zoning. Elford's intent is to build Class A, multifamily housing; they also plan to rehab some Boundless buildings. Boundless and Elford agreed to keep the closed gate for emergency vehicle traffic. Elford and Boundless plan to host separate meetings with the three neighborhoods (New England, Rush Creek, and Colonial Hills) to discuss concerns prior presenting the finalized plans at a combined meeting.
- The group discussed concerns. The group noted the schools were already at high capacity. The group contemplated what the development's net impact from taxes would mean for the residents of Worthington.
- Ron offered to collect comments via email from the group, and we discussed that the meeting participants would agree on a consensus version of Ron's revised summary, which could be published as Leslie directs.
- Ron said he will explore options to get the community's voice out.

6. Buddy Box Packing Event August 10th?

- Emily confirmed the date of August 10th for the Buddy Box Packing event. She noted there would be a limit of twenty volunteers. Alan said he will probably post a Signup Genius to cap the number of volunteers.

7. Scholarship Applications/Deadlines.

- Due date April 4th
- Determination date April 8th
- Scholarship Ceremony Friday, May 16th.
 - The group noted the dates for the scholarship deadline, determination, and ceremony. Leslie said she will defer to anyone who has not presented at the ceremony yet and added that it is a wonderful experience.
 - Will explained the application process to Alessia, Anne, Griffin, and Meredith.
 - Brittany said she checked the scholarship email last night and noted we have not received any applications yet. Alan offered to send out a blurb on social media.

8. July 4th Update

- Ron confirmed he has eight tents total for the July 4th event.
- Leslie said she will ask Chris if Amanda can give an update on the event during the March or April CHCA meeting.

9. Public Comments

- Alan confirmed Kathi is chairing the Easter Egg Hunt. Mary Ann confirmed she has a volunteer for the Easter Bunny.
- Will and Lis took an inventory of signs in the storage room and shared the list with the group. Lis noted that the number of signs appears sufficient. Leslie added that someone stole one of the four announcement signs but that three total for Indianola, East Selby, and Hartford streets was sufficient. Will noted that the CHCA previously had a signage Chair.
- Lis contacted Dave; he said he will return his nine signs. The group discussed contacting GraphX to replace the Holiday decorating contest signs with a style like that of the Halloween decorating contest signs. Matt stated that new signs are not in the budget. Ron noted that he may be able to print new signs (for free) and suggested the group look at his Fourth of July signs.
- Meredith asked whom she could contact to help organize an idea for a neighborhood project to meet the scholarship criteria. Meredith said she has an idea for trash pickup around Hartford Hill. Alan offered to help her organize volunteers if she contacts him. Alessia asked where she could find events to volunteer for. The group noted that the next CHCA event, the Easter Egg Hunt, falls after the scholarship deadline. Leslie suggested that the applicants email Alan, and CC their parents, with their proposals. Leslie added that Alan could then evaluate if the proposals qualify for scholarship consideration.

10. Adjourn- *Mary Ann motion, Will second.*