

Old Beechwold Association

A HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

Old Beechwold, Columbus, Ohio

AGENDA

Monday, July 25, 2022 – 6:30 pm • Whetstone Library Meeting Room

- I. **CALL TO ORDER & OPENING**
 - A. Jennifer Alexander

- II. **APPROVAL OF REPORT, 4-25, 2022**
 - A. Jennifer Alexander

- III. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS**
 - A. Treasurer's report - Laura Philip (*see below*)
 - B. Report of Historic District actions - Gail Mahaffey (*see below*)
 - C. Arbor Committee - Gregg Peace
 1. MOU completed with City of Columbus Rec and Parks - for litter cleanup, protect nature preserves, conservation, etc.
 - D. Social Committee - Nicole Weidner; Lindalee Brownstein (Welcome Committee)

- IV. **INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT**
 - A. Columbia Gas, City and Contractor Guests
 1. Overall Progress Report - Jeremy Cawley, City of Columbus
 - a) For the most part, water main work in north half (W Beechwold and north) of the neighborhood is done, started work on cascades (sandstone and natural rock), and continued storm sewer work for rest of this year. Aim to get main loop paved (storm and water done) on northern half of the neighborhood before the end of the year. Will not start water main work on the South side (south of W Beechwold) until December.
 - b) Some water work may start in southern half depending if they can get a second crew out, pipe work can continue through the winter.
 - c) Grading for rain gardens will aim for this year, will likely wait until spring of next year to put in plants in the rain gardens.
 - d) Permanent grass seed will depend on weather.
 - e) 40 trees to be planted in the neighborhood - if you are interested in getting a tree planted in your yard (**must be in the right of way**) please keep that in mind, the Executive Committee will be communicating a formal process for this in the near future
 - f) Neighborhood is moving for 40 inlets to over 200, this will pick up much more storm water
 - g) Blueprint Columbus - Old Beechwold is one of the future areas in this program. There will be a project in the future (about 3 years or more) to redirect as many downspouts as possible and get them to the new storm sewers and away from foundations. This project will also include lining the lateral sanitary lines.

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2. Tire Issues - Elite Excavating
 - a) They will look at all claims, date, time, what happened (nails, wear and tear), photos, they are looking to see if you got damage by hitting something that wasn't put down properly but need more information than what has been received. The crews are not using nails in their work.
3. Columbia Gas - Luka Papalko, Public Affairs Manager
4. Miller Pipeline
5. Resource International - James Norden, Vice President - Construction Services; Robert Mangaudis, Project Manager; Rick Darr, Project Manager
6. Elite Excavating - Jason Wendling, Project Manager

V. Proposed Shared Use Path Updates

- A. *Guests:* Tina Mohn, Natural Resource Asset Manager; Michelle Hilliard, Landscape Architect; Rosalie Hendon, Environmental Planner
 1. They are working on the proposed connector project and working to take it over. Beechwold is one of the 19 nature preserves. The team is going to manage the project and work with development. This will likely mean more community input on what the Path will look like (or not look like); aiming for a more natural state.
 2. Old Beechwold became a Columbus nature preserve in 2016, new code resulted in new Rules Signs in the neighborhood.

VI. Other Business

- A. Leaf and Snow Removal Survey Update - Sara
 1. 75% wanted to keep or were indifferent to leaf pickup services; move it to later in the year
 2. 97% wanted to continue or were indifferent to snow removal services
 3. Will continue leaf removal with skid this year, 1 week later (1st full week of December)
 4. If any roads are paved, GAG has agreed to use the vacuum for those locations
 5. We will re-evaluate method of leaf pickup and dues again next year
- B. Dues and Directory Updates
 1. \$75 this year
 2. To be re-evaluated next year
- C. Next Meeting Date:
 1. Tuesday October 25, 2022

VII. QUESTION & ANSWER

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