I. Welcome and Introductions

Members in attendance: Omoye Aikhuele, Lori Beth Jones, Anna Archer (Odere on behalf of), Christopher Mitchell, Rachel Nawrocki, Kelly Wacker, Alicia Carberry, Myrna Newman, Erika Ninos, Erika Young, Sarah Alessio Shea

Commission members absent: Sally Stadelman, Alphonso Sloan, Patty Chavez, NaTisha Washington, Ashley DiGregorio, Aftyn Giles

Guests in attendance: Odera Igwe (on behalf of Anna Archer), Ted Lohner

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Myrna Newman and seconded by Omoye Aikhuele to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Motion carried.

III. Bylaws and Members

- The bylaws will be a living document that can be edited and updated as needed.
- Lori Beth is updating and will resend
- Bylaws will be voted on at 3/12/2020 meeting
- Alicia thanks the Commission for the nomination as Co-Chair and thanks Myrna for her time served in the Co-Chair role
- A motion was made by Sara Shea and seconded by Kelly Wacker to nominate Rachel Nawrocki as Co-Chair – motion carried. Thanks to Rachel for taking on this role!
- Chris updated the CPC website and we are waiting for Council to vote/approve new members

IV. Anti Litter Specialist Updates

- Chris and Alicia are working to address enforcement issues concern litter and dumping in the City
- Chris and Omye are meeting with the Ellis School in May to pilot a project focused on “Advocacy to Activism”. The mini course is for two-weeks and will give students an opportunity to learn about how committees, commissions and community organizations are structured and act according to the Roberts Rule of Order.
- They would like to host May’s meeting to include students from the Ellis School. Chris Mitchell made a motion to include the Ellis School in May’s meeting, the motion was seconded by Omoye Aikhuele. Motion carried.
V. Neighborhood of Focus

- We would like the process to be very open – starting fairly wide through the City
- The CPC is seeking approvals from City Council to nominate neighborhoods in their District, but would like to make sure a connection to Council to have input
- Asking for recommendations from Council by 2/19/2020

VI. Litter Study

- Nine municipalities, breaks down how much money is spent in addressing litter issues
- Pittsburgh spends approx. $6-$7 million with the biggest spend being in prevention (trash cans, street sweeping, etc.)
- Abatement and illegal dumping represent a very small portion of the spend
- Per capita cost to address litter clean up in Pittsburgh is $21 per person
- City will release a press release around the litter study, quote from CPC will be included
- Can we make the Meet and Greet a follow up to the litter study and use this as part of a press event for the CPC?

VII. Money Update

- Still waiting to hear from Public Works on what expenditure process will look like
- Alicia will escalate and have a budget update at the 3/12/2020 meeting

VIII. Member Organizational Announcements

- Allegheny Cleanways hosted their trash audit over five days in the fall. During this time, they collected 6,902 lbs, or 12K pieces of trash. Clean up locations were held at 3 Riverfront sites, 2 Dumpsites and 3 Litter sites. They found 8K pieces of plastic, and 20% had a readable brand. More information will be made available for sharing. Allegheny Cleanways will also be rolling out their Storm Drain Adoption Program – stay tuned!
- Pitt will be hosting ReUse Fair on campus on March 19, 2020 from 1:00PM – 3:00PM. Be a Good Neighbor Day will be March 28, 2020 and there is a call for projects – project must be submitted by March 1, 2020. There is still grant money available!

CPC Members Call to Action:

Social Media: Follow the CPC Facebook page! Share content with the CPC to use as engagement and empowerment on the platform and other social medial platforms.
Remember: The Clean Pittsburgh Commission is on Social Media!

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