

NOTES & NEWS: A CLVN publication highlighting membership meetings and events

 <p>Visit our web site at www.clvn.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Member Notices</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Attend the 2019 Summer Movies at dusk at Hawthorne on July 12 and August 9. CLVN Dues for 2019 are now being accepted. Dues are \$20 per person, \$10 if you are a senior (60 years or older) and \$50 for a business. You can pay by check, cash or paypal.

****At Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital-Olson Auditorium-1st Floor, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING JULY 9, 2019

<u>Agenda for July 9, 2019</u>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Update from Advocate Illinois Masonic for Wellington and Mildred and Sheffield and Wellington Second presentation on amendment to Type 1 Zoning at 3141 N. Sheffield Second presentation for 1142 W. Diversey for a zoning change from B2-2 to Typ1 B2-3 President’s Report-Marsalek Approval of Minutes – May 2019 Treasurer’s Report-Kerr Committee Reports CDDC Report-Poppy/Diamond LVCC Report Aldermanic Report LVECC Report-Klees Agassiz Report –request for grant matching New Business Old Business Adjournment

Up-Coming Events

- 7/12 CLVN Summer Movie Incredibles 2 at dusk at Hawthorne School**
- 8/9 CLVN Summer Movies Mary Poppins Returns at dusk at Hawthorne**

WHAT HAPPENED LAST MONTH

MINUTES FROM MAY 14, 2019 MEETING

CLVN President, Diann Marsalek, called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. as we had a busy agenda. Officers in attendance: Terry Diamond-Vice President and Area Directors-Dorothy Klees, Sharon Williams, Dorothy Mroski and Charley Wilcox. Excused officers were Mary Anderson-Corresponding Secretary and Ross Kerr-Treasurer. A quorum was present.

Presentation by Jeff Wilson regarding art work at CTA Diversey El: Wilson has worked at the CTA for 19 years and is the Director of Community Outreach. Diversey has been difficult to install art and the last piece was unstable and needed to be replaced. Currently the piece proposed has a base and a replica of an old ticket booth. The piece is being fabricated and targeted to install around Thanksgiving. The 44th Ward had a meeting in May of 2018 to review the proposed artwork to be installed at Diversey CTA stop. Members were not happy with the piece that was proposed. Many were concerned with the color scheme while others were concerned that it will be

a graffiti magnet. Wilson indicated the piece will be made with a gloss so graffiti can be removed which takes a few days to remove after reported. Jeanne Saliture stated the piece was better than what she saw previously. Wilson told us we can get the piece or work with the alderman if the community doesn't want the piece and start the process all over which takes time. You can contact Wilson at jwilson@transitchicago.com with your comments and send them to CLVN. There will be a flyover meeting for the modernization of the el on May 29, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at the Center on Halsted.

Presentation by Susan Nordstrom Lopez of Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital: Susan Nordstrom Lopez introduced Jim Tracy to present for the hospital. The hospital wants to amend the PD (planned development) to add a parking garage on Sheffield between Wellington and Nelson, raze the former cancer center at Mildred and Wellington and to replace the building on Nelson to extend the new Center for Advanced Care to the el track. Construction of the parking garage could take 15-16 months. The Hospital hopes to file an amendment to the PD by the end of May. They will also return to CLVN at the July meeting for updates. The building on Nelson has no design approval yet which may start in the fall and takes about a year to complete. The former cancer center at Wellington will be razed and a 4 story office building will replace it. There will be a 3 ft setback on Wellington and a 7 ft. setback on Mildred. The building will have a glass and brick character and will be similar in scale to the parking garage to the west. A preliminary drawing is available, more information will be provided at the July meeting. The south lot will be used for construction staging and will be restored to the surface parking lot for individuals to park on when visiting the building.

The lot at Sheffield and Wellington will be expanded as the Hospital purchased the property where the Thai restaurant and residential house were located on Wellington by the el tracks. They hope to amend the PD50 sub area D by razing the two buildings and building a new structure. They want to have physical therapy on the first floor and parking on the upper floors. Michael Worthman of Kloa provided information on a parking study. Six intersections were observed at peak periods from 7-9 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. They hope to have access to the building on Nelson to minimize the impact on Sheffield and Wellington. A final study will be completed in May.

Currently there are 1645 parking stalls on campus including 4 surface lots. A shuttle moves employees from parking lots to the Hospital. Approximately 287 spaces will be lost and some parking leases are being terminated. The final number of spaces will be 1358 with an effective inventory of 1290. The Hospital states that it needs 456 more parking spaces.

The proposed parking structure will be 6 stories. The elevation facing Sheffield would be 62 feet high in the front and the rear would be 74 feet high by the el tracks. The hospital wants to conceal the light illuminating from headlights and lights in the garage from the neighbors on Sheffield with metal screens on the windows which allows for ventilation. Landscape would remain the same and a small pocket park would be added on Nelson. All healthy trees will remain. They want the exterior facing west to look residential. They would house 30 parking spots for the physical therapy users.

Concerns were raised about the parking study being done in March. It is recommended they do the study when the VIC has a show, Cubs are playing and on weekends. The Hospital found underground parking to not be financially feasible. They are still deciding signage for the structure. Individuals looking at the garage could see the cars on the top deck. A question was raised to move the physical therapy to lower the height of the building. The hospital indicated the alderman wants commercial on the first floor. Some residents were concerned about the metal screens making the building look like an institution. Other residents were concerned about a potential drop off on Sheffield. Concerns were raised this will be a traffic nightmare and with Uber cars will be doubled parked all the time.

Presentation for 1039 W. Belmont: Terry Diamond presented on behalf of the CLVN Planning and Zoning Committee. The owner made 2 presentations at our meetings. The proposed new building would house a restaurant on the first floor, banquet room on the second floor and residences on the third and fourth floors. A zoning change is needed because the building will be approximately 25 feet larger than permitted under B3-2 zoning. The CLVN Planning and Zoning Committee recommended the zoning request to change from B3-2 to B3-3 along with a restrictive covenant and Type 1 zoning which defines the building's height, size and elevations and design. A vote was taken with the result 17 in favor which was a unanimous vote. .

First Presentation by 1142 W. Diversey: Daniel Box and the owner of the property presented. Currently the property is a 2 story building which they will raze. They are proposing a 4 story

building with 6 dwellings. Currently the building houses 3 dwelling units. The current height of the building is 45 feet and they seek 47 feet. There would be three parking spots located in the rear. They would need 24 feet for the 3 parking spots. This is a transit oriented development so they do not need 1 spot per unit. They plan to have apartments in the building. Garbage bins would be located in the rear. The rent would be \$2500-\$3000.00 per month. Some units would be 2 bedrooms. The units will be small. No elevator is planned. The current lot size is 24 x 124.19 or 2,980 square feet. Under B2-2 zoning they could put a store or commercial use on the first floor and three units above. Some concerns were raised as to the number of units proposed due to density and garbage pickup. Marsalek indicated the matter will be referred to the CLVN Planning & Zoning Committee for review. The owner will return to the July 9th meeting to make a second presentation.

First presentation by 3141 N. Sheffield to Amend the Type 1 Zoning: In 2013 Type 1 zoning was approved for the property. The building has 5000 ft. of commercial space on the first floor. The space has been difficult to market. They are now proposing to convert the commercial space into 6 residential units. They will need to amend the Type 1 Zoning to do this. Jeanne Saliture read a letter on behalf of the Vic residences at 3140 N. Sheffield concerning the roof mechanicals which their building has to view. The glare and shine from the metal mechanicals has created a negative quality of life for their residents. She also proposed several alternatives to address the mechanical unit issues. She has also contacted CLVN and the Alderman's office to address these issues. When the Type 1 rendering was shown to CLVN in 2013 the mechanicals were not explained to CLVN. The commercial space is not likely to be leased due to the lines from the VIC Theater which are in front of the space. They have sought a day care and various other businesses to come to the space which have been unsuccessful. They will return to the July 9th meeting to make a second presentation. Marsalek referred this matter to the CLVN Planning and Zoning Committee.

President's Report: The Community Policing and CLVN meetings for 2019 will be July 9, Sept. 10 and Nov. 12. Marsalek reminded members that CLVN dues for 2019 were due January 1, 2019 and are now being accepted. You can pay on paypal or send to our Treasurer, Ross Kerr, 3033 N. Clifton, Chicago. Thanks to Kirkwood and all who supported the CLVN Wine Tasting on April 28, 2019. The event was successful and we tasted some great wines. If you purchased wines do not forget to pick them up from Kirkwood. Thanks to all who purchased flowers from the CLVN Flower Sale. We will be planting corners and adding mulch so let us know if you can volunteer to help with the corners. Also the corner signs will be up shortly. Our summer movies are scheduled for June 7, July 12 and August 9. Thanks to the Chicago Cubs for providing tickets for members to attend a game. Commander Buslik is retiring on May 22, 2019 and we wish him well with his retirement. Our new Commander will be Christopher Papaioannou.

Treasurer's Report: Marsalek reported for Kerr. The account balance for all our accounts is \$21,421.12. Income was from memberships, wine tasting and flower sale. Expenses will be flower sale and we also paid the licensing fee for the summer movies. We have 111 paid members of which 16 are business members, 52 seniors and 43 standard memberships. The profit from the wine tasting was \$895.00

Approval of March 12, 2019 Minutes: A motion was made by Terry Diamond to approve the minutes from March 12, 2019 which was seconded by Jim Kink. The motion passed unanimously.

Ald. Report: Marsalek reported for Jessup that the 19th District has 379 staff. However, Mayor Emanuel joined Superintendent Johnson last Saturday to announce that 10 new probationary police officers would be coming to the 19th District. The Alderman's office is waiting on a formal update from CPD and the Mayor's Office to confirm the net increase of officers.

Infrastructure

People's Gas was called back out to 1129 W. Wellington about the smell of gas recently. A technician went out and tested below the soil and made the determination that a leak was still present. Northern Pipe Line (NPL) crews were on site today performing additional inspections within the street. Once crews verify where this new leak is they will begin excavating to affect the repairs. Parking Restrictions: "No Parking" signs will be posted, as needed, to bring in needed equipment and maintain a lane in each direction throughout this work. Parking will be restricted during work hours, generally 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Updates on this work will be in our weekly e-newsletter.

Tax Assessment Appeals

The window to appeal assessments in Lake View Township is open from April 30 to May 30, 2019. Staff from Commissioner Gainer's office will be on hand to assist with appealing 2019 assessments in the 44th Ward office on Friday, May 17th. For best chances to successfully appeal, consider bringing recent photographs of your home. Please note new rules this year:

The Commissioner's office cannot assist with appeals for condos in buildings with more than 6 units. They can assist with condo appeals in buildings with 6 units or less, but can only work with an HOA president, treasurer or secretary. If you are unable to attend, Commissioner Gainer's office can assist with appeals over the phone! Please call (312) 603-4210 to get started.

Sculpture

CTA will be there to discuss the Diversey station but should also mention the upcoming RPM events (north of the CLVN area but still impactful). The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit (CSE) installs have begun! A new piece, sponsored by Illinois Masonic, will be installed at 829 W. Wellington (location of last year's) towards the end of the month. The artist is Jaci Willis, an Illinois native and the piece will be titled "Blue Horizon". Stay tuned and feel free to greet the artist when she is installing! www.chicagosculptureexhibit.org

Summer is Coming

The Belmont-Sheffield Music Festival is Saturday and Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend. Sheffield will be closed from Belmont to Roscoe for the festival and staging.

The Chicago Pride Parade is Sunday, June 30th. Planning meetings for the parade should begin in the next few weeks and all community organization presidents will be invited to attend.

Planning & Zoning Committee Report: Diamond gave the report during the 1039 W. Belmont presentation.

CDDC Report: Poppy reported Advocate Illinois Masonic spoke about their Phase II redevelopment plans. Their presentation was the same presentation given to CLVN members in early March. They plan on demolishing the building at Wellington and Mildred, building a parking deck on Sheffield where the gravel lot is located, and demolishing the Wilton Building so that the building on Barry can continue along the same setback to the el tracks. No drawings were provided at this time. A parking study is underway and should be ready to present to the community at both CLVN and CDDC in May. New 28-unit Townhouse Development at 1225 West School was previewed. This is the site of a former small commercial cabinet business was located. It is directly across the street from the park on School. While the RT-4 zoning would allow for 40 units, the developer has decided to go with fewer and build to fit more what is in the neighborhood. These 4 level luxury homes will have options for elevators within the home. Homes will sell between \$1.2 - \$1.5 million, with availability in Spring 2020. The next CDDC meeting is May 22.

LVCC Report: Klees reported she was not able to attend the meeting and had no report.

Lake View East Chamber of Commerce: Maureen Martino reported the private security is seeing many garage doors left open in the 2900 blocks of Sheffield and Kenmore. Crime is down and she thinks private security has helped to keep crime down. They will be a sponsor for the CLVN summer movies. They have begun power washing. They are looking at areas for a Cherry Blossom project. The flower pots should be planted after May 15, 2019. If you see items that need to be addressed let her know. They will hold a rummage sale on June 9, 2019 from 10a.m.-4p.m. The Belmont Sheffield Music festival will be held on May 25 and May 26. They are looking for bartenders for the early shifts from 11a.m.-3p.m. Home Run Inn Pizza has closed and the building is being sold. Hollywood Mirror on Belmont and Penny's Noodles on Diversey have closed. Andy's Tai Kitchen formerly on Wellington has moved into Penny's Noodles space on Diversey.

Chicago Cubs: No Report. Marsalek thanked the Cubs for providing tickets to CLVN. It was cold at the game but fun.

Agassiz School report: Marsalek reported for Principal Mira Webber. Agassiz Elementary was awarded a \$10,000 grant from [Boeing](#) to implement a STEM lab called the [FUSE Studio](#). The FUSE Studio is a hands-on, inquiry-based, project-based learning lab that promotes STEM exploration through innovative challenges. It is a natural connection to the Design Class already taught as part of the IB Program and will further develop this course, as well as build new opportunities for students.

A number of published research studies led by Northwestern University (where the FUSE program was developed) demonstrate that FUSE enables students to discover new potential career interests in STEAM, builds academic self-confidence, and supports the development of 21st-century skills such as persistence, adaptive problem solving, and collaboration.

The FUSE Studio will be taught in grades 4 through 8, reaching 250+ students each year; each class will receive 90 minutes per week of instruction in the FUSE Studio.

The Boeing grant covers half of the total costs of the high-tech materials required to implement the FUSE Studio, including 3D printers, lasers, LED lights, and other equipment required to complete the 26 learning challenges. Agassiz Elementary will purchase the curriculum, software licenses, and registration for the required FUSE Facilitator training course (Facilitator training takes place at Northwestern University during the summer).

Agassiz seeks a matching grant of \$10,000 to cover the costs of the remaining hardware, learning kits, and lab materials required to implement the Fuse Studio. Alderman Tunney is supportive of the initiative and willing to match any contribution from CLVN up to \$5,000.

Thank you so much for supporting our learning community as we work to provide the best urban public education to our diverse student body!

Reach out directly to Ms. Weber if you have any questions. Webber will attend the July meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: There will be a building tear down at 836 W. Barry.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Terry Diamond and seconded by Karen Gaus to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m. The next meeting is July 9, 2019.

CAPS REPORT 19th District - Beat 1933 (boundary - Belmont to Diversey between Lincoln to Halsted): The Community Policing meetings for 2019 will be July 9, Sept. 10 and Nov. 12. The Commander is Marc S. Buslik retired May 15, 2019. The new Commander is Christopher Papaioannou and his contact information is chris.papaioannou@chicagopolice.org. The CAPS meeting was held May 14, 2019. There were three robberies in which one was reported 4 days after the incident and one was reported 12 hours after the incident. Please call 911 immediately after the incident. One robbery occurred on the 2900 block of Sheffield where the individual exited a bar and his phone was taken. He reported the robbery 12 hours later. At the Belmont el individuals took glasses and a phone and it was reported 12 days after the fact. A man with a knife robbed the 7/11 at Racine and Belmont. He was subsequently arrested. There were 4 burglaries at 4a.m. on the 800 block of Oakdale with entry from an unlocked door, 7 a.m. on the 1100 block of Oakdale via a window, 8:45 a.m. on the 900 block of Fletcher via a window and the 1400 block of Fletcher where the offender took jewelry and was described as a make African American young. In the south end of the district back doors are being open when unlocked between 3-5 a.m. and the burglar takes what he can see and leaves. Please lock all windows and doors. Crimes were down in the beat and robberies were down in the beat. Burglaries were up to the west of us closer to Ashland. The police will provide more information about 2 girls robbed on the 1200 block of Roscoe at the next beat meeting. One of our members thanked two officers for rescuing a young duckling separated from its mother at Barry, Halsted and Clark. Remember the Music Fest at Belmont and Sheffield Memorial Day weekend and the Pride Parade on June 30 as there will be parking restriction. The next CAPS meeting will be held on July 9, 2019 in the Olson Auditorium (first floor), Advocate Illinois Masonic Hospital, 836 W. Wellington. Sign up for CLEARpath at www.chicagopolice.org to find the latest news and communicate with the police. Also you can text the police and receive cash rewards for tips on crime see www.chicagopolice.org/txt2tip. Gang and narcotics related calls can be made anonymously. The 19th District CAPS phone number is 312-744-0064.

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