## Morningside Area Community Council Monthly Meeting July 5, 2017 Minutes VFW Banquet Hall, Morningside

- I. Introductions and Welcome. Called to order 7:06 Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. Treasurer's Report. Henry presented his report on current finances. Checking balance is \$8,360.96. Savings balance is \$2,363.72.
- III. Secretary's report. Draft minutes will be presented at the next meeting.
- IV. Public Safety Report. Zone 5 was represented by our two community liaison officers.
  - A. August 1 is National Night Out. Alana will post information on becoming an official block event on Nextdoor website tomorrow.
  - B. Morningside has been the quietest neighborhood in the zone. There have been reports of theft from vehicles in Stanton Heights.
  - C. Stacey reported some criminal mischief by juveniles in the neighborhood, including broken car windows and break-ins at the Concession stands. The officer was aware and reported that they were investigating.

## V. Elected Officials

- A. Ernest presented for the city, he offered to assist in any way necessary for the National Night Out organizational needs.
- B. Recommended Citiparks website for summer 2017 City activities.

## VI. Committees

A. Activities: MACC at the Pirates Friday July 14, fireworks night. Community Day was discussed given that the Morningside Mile will not be held. It was discussed whether the Community Day should be moved to Falloween? The possibility of a storage area for the various MACC

VII. Order was suspended to allow for a presentation from Megan Zeigler from the PWSA Green First Initiative.

A historical perspective on Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs) and the associated issues was given. The goal of PWSA plan is to use green infrastructure to mitigate or lessen the need for storage tunnels adjacent to the Rivers (as was planned by Alcosan).

The city has 93 sewer sheds, the Heth's Run sewer shed (known as A41) has been identified as a "priority shed" targeted for improvement due to the large amount of CSOs.

Additional detail on existing water, sewer, and natural stream paths in the sewer shed was presented.

Some conceptual ideas for green infrastructure were presented. "Complete streets" were discussed, as well as bulk storage of runoff in subsurface tank facilities.

"Shed managers" have been established for specific geographic locations. Ryan Quinn is the manager for the Allegheny River.

The floor was opened to questions: Nan had questions about whether the lines on Jancey Street near the new work at the school will be renewed as part of that work. Ben had a question on whether PWSA was officially assisting with rain gardens and other residential initiatives. Not yet, but potentially in the future.

A stream on Baker Street was discussed, as well as catch basins on Baker Street between Morningside and Butler Street. "Drainspotting" on PWSA twitter account was recommended, or one can call dispatch directly to report issues.

Long term proposals for green infrastructure, specifically complete streets that could provide traffic calming, seemed to be desirable to some members.

VIII. Adjournment at 8:09pm.