

Minutes
Fair Haven Management Meeting
295 Blatchley Ave. New Haven, CT 06513
February 1, 2018

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Call to order: 6:02pm

New attendees introduced themselves

REVIEW / APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Minutes will not be printed going forward. All minutes will be posted on the Fair Haven management team website

Did not have quorum to vote and approve minutes

POLICE REPORT

LT. DAVID ZANNELLI

Death at Exchange Street is inconclusive and doesn't seem to be connected to the incident that occurred at Quinnipiac Ave.

As soon as they get

Lou's Lodge has signed a standing no trespass order

Officers have been working with the new owner and they are upping their efforts to make more arrests to stop the drug dealing in that area

There is a documentary being made

There has been an uptick in juveniles stealing cars on front street

Has made several arrests

This has been occurring while people are warming up their cars in the mornings. Leaving them running while they are inside of the house

Seems to be a crime of opportunity

There has also been a few thefts from autos in the Front Street/Chatham Square area

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Don't leave items out in open view to avoid

Repeated burglaries by 2 juveniles

One has been charged and they are looking to press charges on the other

Purchase order for the blue lights has been approved

The ground has been frozen lately so they haven't been able to install them

Looking to install a few cameras to complement the blue lights

Grand Ave and Blatchley Ave, Ferry Ave and Lombard Street, Grand Ave and Front Street, and Chatham square park will have the blue lights

Grand Ave and East Pearl, Grand Ave and Lloyd, and Ferry Street and Peck street are the proposed areas for the cameras

The cameras will pan and the police will be able to watch them from their cell phones

Sending 6 officers to narcotic training

Will help them become more efficient and trained in these areas so they are better able to

Herbie Johnson former Fair Haven District Manager may be getting the assistant chief position

Great to have him on an upper leadership level with the city

FIRE DEPARTMENT
EAST BATTALION CHIEF

No report

LCI
LAURI LOPEZ

Were able to add lighting at the garden on Ferry and peck and on East grand and pearl

As things move and change they will consider moving lighting to areas that are becoming problems

The people that bought 90 River have added lighting

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It is very bright now which is awesome

Seems like everyone at the bodegas have been ok since enforcing the hours and

Now focusing energy on the backyard mechanics

This may also help curb the stolen cars

Bulk trash has been suspended until April

Anticipating a rough winter

When they do start in April they will likely be backed up so be patient

Suggested that homes leave their front porch lights on to help with loitering etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Rose Vega Bradley – resident

Concerned with the speeding on James Street which has been a problem for years

It is bad now in the winter and it will be worse in the spring and summer

There was a horrific accident recently and something needs to be done

Suggestions: speed bumps, 4 way stop signs, traffic light, or a flashing light that says slow down

Used to have this issue on Clinton Ave. and they fought for 10 years but finally got changes made that have ended the speeding

Tonight, the motorcycle unit will be monitoring the traffic

The district manager will try to secure the funding for some of the suggested solutions

Several residents also agreed that speeding is the issue and agree with the suggestions

Jose Crespo and Aaron Greenberg are the alders that represent that area

Residents should reach out to their Alders with concerns and continue to come to the Fair Haven community meetings to share their concerns

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Resident concern – has noticed a lot of graffiti that may be gang related

LIC is aware of this particular person. It is one person and not gang related at all

CDBG REQUEST:

CLIFFORD BEERS CLINIC

VICE PRESIDENT OF CLINICAL SERVICES:

CHRISTINE MONTGOMERY AND STAFF

Child guidance clinic in the East Rock area

Requesting a letter of support for their grant request

\$12,000 to support their mental health clinics at Clinton Ave. School and Fairhaven school

NEW REACH INC.

LEANNE BREWER

Requesting a letter of support for their grant request

\$80,000 for a new case worker for the Rapid Rehousing program which provides rental assistance up to 12 months for homeless families

FISH – Susan Redente

Food in service to the homebound

Delivering food to people who are unable to get out of the house due to physical or mental limitation

Requesting a letter of support for \$20,000 from the grant to fund their staff person

VOTE ON LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Unable to vote

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS:

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CTDOT

RICHARD JANKOVICH

There is a proposed increase on bus and rail fares as well as cuts in service

Rail from New Haven to New York is one of the busiest in the country as is the bus system

10% increase starting 7/1/18 and 5% increase in 2021 and 5% in 2022 for the rail

Reducing service in the branches on the weekends and on the shoreline

Programs that get subsidies from the state for transportation will be cut

Will limit the services for some areas, some stations will be cut, plan to replace train cars will be limited etc.

Hearing will be scheduled on 2/20 at the hall of records from 5-8pm

Will have 7 hearings state wide for 2 weeks

State transportation funds have gone down and they need to raise operating costs

www.ct.gov/dot/faircomments

For more information

Submit comments to dot.faircomments@ct.gov

Mail in comments to: The DOT P. O. BOX 317546 Newington CT 06131-7546

Governor is also proposing an increase in the gas tax and other items

NEW HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOL FAMILIES, TEACHERS, STUDENTS, COMMUNITY SUPPORTERS

SARAH MILLER

Advocating for a better education system for the new haven public schools

There is only one member of the board of education that has experience in education

Have been in contact with the board of alders

Asking that we sign their petition that requests the alders not approve any new members of the board of education unless they meet the following 3 requirements

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Expertise in the field of education, no person or financial conflict of interest, have a commitment to public education

The petition will be presented to the board of alders

You can contact the newhavenpublicschoolparents@gmail.com for updates or questions

MARY WADE OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AWARD
IVETTE OLIVERAS

Email or call with nominations for the award

All nominations have to be submitted as a write up about the person

Award will be presented after the Mary Wade parade

ARTS & IDEAS FAIR HAVEN FESTIVAL
DAVE, JUANCARLOS, THEMA, SARA

In the past called a Pop-up festival changed the name to show permeance and confidence

Date for the Arts & Ideas Fair Haven Festival 5/26/18 12-4pm

Looking for support in the planning process, looking to brainstorm, ask for funding, and announce the change in location

Next planning meeting will be 2/15 at 5pm at the Coldspring School

New location for the festival this year will be at Criscuolo Park

In the past they have painted a pop up bike lane and given out bikes, musical entertainment, lectures and workshops to celebrate the diversity of our neighborhood

Looking for new ideas and community involvement

Has some funding but not all of the necessary funding

Looking for some form of sponsorship from the management team

Will be presenting next month as well so the management team can vote.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Monique Lathrop – Leeway Community Living Model

2/9/18 at the Opportunity Center on Dixwell Ave. Wellness training focusing on the 8 dimensions of wellness: Harambee

For people who need physical, mental, and addiction help

Classes will be taught by people with lived experience

Flyer passed around

Free and open to the public

New Haven Farms thanked the police department and LCI for lighting their area

Starting at the end of May they will have a health and wellness program facilitated Spanish

2/21 at 6pm the education committee on the board of alders will have their first event 165 Church St.
2nd Floor

Workshop on Puerto Rican arrival students

2/27 at 6pm update on the Strong School at River Run Housing

ADJOURNMENT

7:25pm