

Minutes

Fair Haven Management Meeting

Fair Haven Library Community Room, 182 Grand Ave. New Haven, CT 06513

August 3, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

- ❖ **(5 min.) Welcome and Introductions**
 - Called to order 6:09pm
 - New attendees introduced
- ❖ **Present:** Co-Chair/Treasurer David Steinhardt, Co-Chair Diane Ecton (Youth Continuum), Vice-Chair Sally Esposito

- ❖ **Present City, State, and Federal Officials:** Robert Roberts (Ward 15 Dem. Co-Chair), Kenneth Reveis (Ward 14 Dem. Co-Chair), Laurie Lopez (NH LCI), Lt. David Zannelli (NHPD FH District Manager)

- ❖ **(5 min.) Establish Quorum/Calling of Roll of Eligible Voting Members/ Clarify "Voting Member":** "A quorum constitutes two-thirds of the voting members." "Each Fair Haven Community Management Team member . . . who has attended 5 of the previous 12 meetings is considered a voting member." Also, "For definition purposes, a voting member in good standing is a person who attends and remains throughout the full course of the meeting as documented by the sign-in sheet."
 - 9 members present-Quorum not met for voting

- ❖ **(5 min.) Review / Approval Meeting Minutes**
 - **May:** Tabled
 - **June:** Tabled

- ❖ **(10 min.) Police Report – Lt. David Zannelli**
 - Introduction as new Lt. to district
 - Statistics-Downward trend
 - Murders 0
 - Robberies with firearm down 28.6%
 - Robberies-down 28.7%
 - Burglaries-down 34%
 - Motor vehicle theft-down 48.2%
 - Walking beat will be added to area starting on Sunday
 - 2 concerning robberies
 - Officers will introduce themselves to business and community members as part of community service
 - Area has lost 3 officers to the narcotic department

- ❖ **(10 min.) LCI Report – Laurie Lopez**
 - Overall things are looking good
 - Articles are still being left curbside
 - Fishing Village is being dismantled
 - Curtis is gone and not longer providing maintenance

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- 90 River St is vacant
 - People were chased out
 - There is a proposal to purchase with marine use
 - Portion of Poplar has been blocked off
 - Considering to block River Street
- 198 River still stands (Old Bending Co.)
 - People have entered building
 - Board was kicked out and a window was removed
 - There are no floors in this building and it is very dangerous
 - Currently trying to figure out how people are entering
 - LCI has funds for graffiti removal and maintenance of public grounds
 - City has hired previous contracted company for graffiti removal
- ❖ Old Business
 - (30 min.) Website Review- www.fairhavencmt.org
 - Sign in sheets will be posted on website in JPEG format. General concerns about posting addresses and phone numbers on website. Publicizing this information may pose a safety risk. Suggestion to request permission of those members/attendees who are comfortable with posting the sign-in sheets.
 - Purpose of posting sheets is to comply with bylaws by ensuring that the members live in the community or are agencies within the community. Posting sign-in sheets creates transparency and allows for anyone to refer to ensure persons are allowed to vote.
 - Website is designed not to be searchable. JPEG images cannot be scanned.
 - Suggestion to bring all attendance sheets to each meetings instead of posting on website.
 - Sign-in sheet that was posted will be removed and further discussion will take place between co-chair and vice-chair
 - Recommendation from member to add more photos of site
 - Site is on secured server and contains secured content. Permissions are controlled by board
 - Website is a conduit for the community.
 - Links to alder will be added
 - Please bring suggestions for improvement to David Steinhardt. Site is still being worked on
 - A webmaster is needed
 - Purpose of comment section is to making any comment desired
 - Purpose of calendar is to announce community events
 - Do not make request for services on website and refer to SeeClickFix

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- ❖ September 7th Picnic Review/Update
 - 400 people showed up last year
 - Not enough volunteers last year
 - Contact Diane Ecton if you wish to volunteer
 - Request has been made to the City of New Haven for items needed.
 - Lt. Zannelli will announce event to schools
 - Food items will be purchased at the Restaurant Depot
 - Community providers are invited to set up tables. See Diane Ecton
 - Police Department will bring SWAT for entertainment
 - Seeking volunteer to instruct Zumba for children
 - Seeking volunteer to join Lt. Zannelli in announcing event to community
 - Volunteers are needed to set up and clean-up
 - Left over food will be taken to local shelter.
 - Rockclimbing wall has been secured
 - Will request that NHFD and NHPD help with wall climbing activity
- ❖ Announcement Nomination to executive board vote will take place during October 5th meeting
 - Election will occur in October
 - Nominations are open
 - Michelle nominated for Vice-Chair-Nomination accepted
 - Sally will not be running for Vice Chair
 - Bylaws are on website listing proposed changes.
- ❖ **Announcements:**
 - Strong School-Existing proposal to convert building into luxury apartments with rental range of \$1600-\$1800 per month
 - The majority felt that the developer is not qualified
 - Committee will vote late this month
 - An additional meeting will be held. Date, time & location TBA
 - Chatham Square made a presence at last meeting
 - Economic Development will make final decision.
 - CMT should come up with idea for use of building
 - Suggestion to convert into a substation with a community room made.
 - New Haven Farmstand
 - Located on Ferry street
 - Hours 9am-12p
 - Quinnipiac Park-Lights are not on
 - Construction is not complete
 - Ilicit activity has been observed
 - Attempted break-in at Captian's House
 - Lt. Zanelli will follow up
 - A person was found sleeping in a car

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- Police presence requested
- LCI will follow up with Becky
- Coworking space on 531 Ferry Street
 - Start-up businesses are invited
 - Cost is \$30 per day for businesses
 - 20\$ per day for residents
- ❖ Adjournment
 - 7:36pm

- ❖ **Upcoming Meetings**
 - September – Picnic
 - October 5, 2017
 - November – Thanksgiving volunteer event
 - December 7, 2017 – Holiday Party