

Historic College Hill Neighborhood Association

HCHNA Board Meeting Minutes

Monday November 13, 2023 at 7 pm
Maryville Corner Market
800 Montvale Road
Maryville, TN 37803

1. The Meeting Convened at 7:13 pm

Present: Jim Volk, president; Ariane Schratte, vice-president & immediate past president; Jennifer Hackler, membership chair; Chris Hackler, welcome chair; Sally Mullins, newsletter chair; Bond Almand, member-at-large; Hannah Volk, secretary; and member Michelle Midnight also business host Lisa Clearman

2. Approve Board Meeting Minutes of [October 9, 2023 \(PDF\)](#)

Motion to approve minutes made by Chris, seconded by Bond carried unanimously

3. Treasurer's Report

Date	Description	Amount
10/1/23	Balance	\$2,260.93
	Dues	35.00
	Square (charges)	390.62
	Cash	254.00
	Total Revenue	\$679.62
	Bounce House (Harvest Party Rentals)	257.91
	Total Expenses	\$257.91
10/31/23	Balance	\$2,682.64

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report made by Bond, seconded by Chris carried unanimously

4. Fall Gathering

Report and discussion for next year

We took in \$675.85 in dues paid that day, merchandise, and donations.

We spent:

Item	Amount
Food Truck Permit	20.00
DJ	500.00
Bounce House	257.91
Cotton Candy/Popcorn Machine	170.70
Porta-potty	164.63
Miscellaneous – decorations, candy, etc	159.97
Total Expenses	\$1273.21*

* Does not include advertising expenses

Discussion: This event was expensive and a lot of work so maybe we should do this every other year. Perhaps in off-years we should do an event such as a chili cook-off with our own music. We might want to bring in a vendor for desserts.

The Fall Festival was a lot of fun; Ann and Sally did a great job.

5. Up-coming Events

- Luminary Build – Sunday, December 17 from 1 to 4 pm at 918 Hunter Lane; sand drying the day before starting around 1 pm
Hannah V bought 564 10-hr **votives (receipt)** for \$158.31 and Ariane S bought 500 **luminary bags (receipt)** for \$37.50 (already authorized)
Motion to reimburse Hannah for votives made by Jennifer, seconded by Chris carried unanimously
- Progressive Dinner – Saturday, March 23
- Annual Meeting – Saturday, April 20 location to be determined (even year so no elections)

6. Progress on 501(c)(7)

The 501(c)(7) is a designation by the IRS for a social club where funds for activities are supplied by the membership on a tax-free basis; income from non-members is taxable. We are not, after all, a charity. In order to pay taxes on non-member income (there may be consideration for fund raising to fund events) we need a tax ID and to get that we need to be a recognized entity. We aren't a business so a business license is inappropriate, we are a social club and need that recognition.

Here [is the IRS 1024 form](#) we wish to submit. There was reluctance to pay the \$600 filing fee so Jim V will look at other options.

7. Restructuring of our insurance company

We currently carry a policy for liability insurance with West Bend Insurance of West Bend Wisconsin. This company is changing its structure; the change will not affect our rates. “West Bend’s board of directors has approved a strategic initiative to form a mutual holding company. Mutual holding companies have become a common way to structure a mutual insurance business. This organizational structure change will expand West Bend’s capabilities for customer-driven innovation, while preserving the concept of policyholder ownership ...” [Full statement](#)

West Bend is seeking approval of policy-holders.

Motion to authorize Jim Volk to vote yes on the proxy vote for West Bend insurance conversion made by Chris, seconded Bond carried unanimously

8. Latest on Maryville Downtown Association (MDA)

- The old armory on Ellis Ave. will be rebuilt as a restaurant/bowling business.
- The MDA is changing from asn association to an alliance.
- Maryville College will decommission their steam plant; the fate of the building is uncertain.

9. Other

none

10. Adjournment at 7:50 pm

Motion to adjourn made by Sally, seconded Jennifer carried unanimously

Current Board: Jim Volk, president; Ariane Schratte, vice-president & immediate past president; Jim Tedford, Treasurer; Jennifer Hackler, membership chair; Chris Hackler, welcome chair; Sally Mullins, newsletter chair; Bond Almand, member-at-large; Ann Tedford, social chair; Jason Emert, member-at-large; Hannah Volk, secretary