

Rubbertown Community Advisory Council

March 2015

February 2015 meeting minutes attached

Please direct questions or comments to **rcac_facilitator@outlook.com**

RCAC next meeting:

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2015

Place: Cane Run Elementary School
3951 Cane Run Rd., Louisville, KY 40211

Time: Buffet Dinner Served at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

- 6:00 – 6:10 Welcome/Introductions/Approve Minutes
Brenda Kelting, Vice-President
- 6:10 – 6:15 Open Mic – Community Related
- 6:15 – 6:20 Open Mic – Plant Related
- 6:20 – 6:30 RCAC Officer Elections for 2015-2016
➤ *Candidates may speak before the election*
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| <i>President</i> | Earl Hartlage |
| <i>Nominations</i> | Brenda Kelting |
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| <i>Vice-President</i> | Phil Ball |
| <i>Nominations</i> | Earl Hartlage
Brenda Kelting |
- 6:30 – 7:00 **Home Emergency/Disaster Preparedness**
Pam Owen
- 7:00 – 7:25 Committee Reports
- Membership Committee
 - Program Committee
 - Projects Committee
 - April Neighborhood Clean Up Preparations
- 7:25 – 7:30 Announcements/Adjournment

<p>NEXT MEETING: APRIL 9, 2015 MSD MAINTENANCE FACILITY “BIG A” - 3050 COMMERCE CENTER PLACE</p>
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Meeting Minutes – Rubbertown Community Advisory Council

Date: February 12, 2015 **Scheduled Time:** 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Place: Cane Run Elementary School, 3951 Cane Run Road, Louisville

<p><u>Community Members</u> <u>Present</u> Phillip Ball Peggy Bolton Gerald Gammons Martha Gammons Paul Graf Earl Hartlage Beverly Jones Brenda Kelting Kenneth Madison Barbara Paulin Richard Springston Gordon Welker Ed White Mary Jo Wimsatt Jerry Woolridge</p>	<p><u>Community Members</u> <u>Absent</u> Diane Bagby Freddie George Joyce Korfhage Rhea Matt Rhodes Joe Wagner Jean Zappa</p>	<p><u>Guests</u> Dan Hicks <u>Facilitation and Minutes</u> Cheryl Fisher, Facilitator</p>
<p><u>Companies</u> ASRC Arkema Carbide Industries Dow Chemical DuPont Hexion Lubrizol MSD PolyOne Zeon</p>	<p><u>Company Reps</u> Rich Robinson ----- ----- Jana Zigrye Richard Jarowski Todd Trowbridge, Christine Jacobs Alice Simpson ----- ----- Lori Carson</p>	<p><u>Key Managers</u> Guillaume Coiraton Mike O’Donnell Dan Wharton ----- ----- ----- Sam Striegel ----- ----- Joe Laskosky -----</p>

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6:20 – 6:50	Kentucky Safe Communities <i>Steve Sparrow, KSPAN Program Coordinator</i> <i>Kentucky Safety & Prevention Alignment Network/Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center</i>
6:50 – 7:00	Announcements/Adjourn to Brief Committee Meetings
7:00 – 7:15	Brief Committee Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Membership Development Committee• Program Committee• Projects Committee

Welcome/Performance

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Earl Hartlage, RCAC Vice President. The RCAC mission, vision, and ground rules were read. Introductions were made by all present. The January minutes were approved after open mic.

Open Mic – Community-Related

None.

Open Mic – Plant-Related

Dow is hosting “You Be the Chemist” on Saturday, February 21 at the Southwest Library on Dixie Highway to encourage students to pursue chemistry as a career. Two middle schools will participate. Dow is also hosting a Camp Invention summer camp for elementary students in June. Mary Jo Wimsatt will host the camp at Cane Run Elementary School. More information to follow.

Christine Jacobs, Hexion (formerly Momentive), discussed the needs of the JCPS Clothing Assistance Program and encouraged the plants and community members, through their organizations, to become involved in helping to collect clothing. She reported that more than 10% of JCPS students are “considered homeless,” which means that they do not have a permanent residence. For example, they may be living with a family member or friend, or in a shelter. With more than 100,000 students in the JCPS school system, that means that a lot of area children are in need. If you have individual donations, you can bring them to an RCAC meeting.

Christine Jacobs also discussed the Shively Area Ministries canned and nonperishable food drive that will be held on February 23 – March 23. Hexion has made monetary donations to this

group. They were recently contacted for help in supplying the after-holiday needs in the community. Hexion will hold a drive on their plant and Christine encouraged the RCAC membership and member companies to participate. Pick up can be provided. Contact Christine Jacobs at Hexion.

RCAC Officer Nominations for 2015-2016 – Vice President

Officer elections will be held at the April meeting. According to the bylaws, the President and Vice President of RCAC are community members, elected by community members. The current Vice President assumes the role of President at the end of their term. During 2014 elections, we experienced a tie for the office of Vice President between Earl Hartlage and Brenda Kelting. A run-off election will be held at the April meeting.

Nominations were taken for the role of Vice President, which included Phil Ball, Earl Hartlage, and Brenda Kelting. Community members will vote for their candidate of choice at the March meeting.

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice-President</u>
Earl Hartlage	Phil Ball
Brenda Kelting	Earl Hartlage
	Brenda Kelting

Kentucky Safe Communities

Genia McKee, Kentucky Safe Communities Network

Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center (KIPRC)

Steve Sparrow, Program Coordinator

Kentucky Safety and Prevention Alignment Network (KSPAN)

“A Safe Community is a community that has been independently accredited at the national and international levels as a community that values safety, health and preparedness.”

Safe Communities undergo an application process that looks at all of the issues for keeping a community safe and documents the initiatives that are in place for safety and injury prevention. Examples of initiatives include suicide prevention, homicide prevention, fire prevention, corporate safety, defensive driving, diabetes prevention, falls due to aging, etc. Agencies, businesses, churches, and other partners can be part of a Safe Communities plan.

Twenty-five accredited Safe Communities currently exist in the US. On average, there are ten percent fewer fatalities in Safe Communities. Madison County, KY was accredited as a Safety Community in 2010. They experience a 35% lower fatality rate than the controlled community.

The sponsor of the Safe Communities program is the National Safety Council (NSC), which led the KIPRC to contact Rubbertown, as some companies in Rubbertown are members of the NSC. They work for the University of Kentucky under the Department of Public Health. Their goal is to move the needle to make people safer and healthier in communities.

Steve Sparrow shared he works with the Kentucky Safety and Prevention Alignment Network (KSPAN), which falls under the University of Kentucky and is funded by a CDC (Center for Disease Control) grant. They collect all of the hospitalization, emergency department, and vital statistics data for the state and make that information publically available. He strongly encouraged the companies and other groups to use the public data, resources, and event calendar on their website – www.safekentucky.org/index.php/menu-home.

Kentucky Safe Communities would like to solicit the support of the Rubbertown Community Advisory Council in accrediting Louisville as a Safe Community. A letter of support can be sent to the mayor's office. Beginning steps to becoming a Safe Community are to form a safety coalition at the city level, then the mayor or county judge will submit a letter of intent. An accreditation team will evaluate the plan and certify the program. Annual reports are made and recertification occurs at five year intervals. A Safe Communities designation demonstrates that a community cares to work together to make it a safe place. The intent is not to duplicate existing programs.

Steve discussed that the Governor's Safety and Health Conference will be held May 5-7 at the Galt House. There are opportunities for companies to participate via sponsorships, holding workshops, or attendance. If you hold a workshop, your registration for that day is paid for by the Kentucky Safety and Health Network Board. Examples of possible workshops are Safety Issues, Emergency Response, Occupational Health, etc. There will also be a safety and health fair at the conference dealing with on & off job safety, occupational health, and employee safety and wellness. Contact Steve Sparrow for details.

Announcements

Earl Hartlage led a discussion on problems stemming in the community, including the effect of drug activity on significantly lowering property values. Other areas of concern are increasing property insurance rates.

Cheryl Fisher announced that RCAC has been asked to participate in the community meetings being held by Councilwoman Jessica Green, newly representing District 1. The meetings will be held on March 3 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Southwick Community Center (3621 Southern Avenue) and on March 10 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Lake Dreamland Fire Department (4603 Cane Run Road).

Ed White gave an impassioned plea for fostering change to help young people find their place in the community and to give them stability and guidance. Recent violence in the community has affected a member of his percussion group. He advocated for prevention programs to help our young people develop in a safe community that allows them to grow and prosper.

Ed White announced that the 25 year celebration of the River City Drum Corps will be held on April 10 at the Muhammad Ali Center. Tickets are \$50. He plans to announce at the celebration that he will retire in 2018.

The meeting was adjourned to committee meetings at 7:04 p.m. Brief meetings were held by the Membership Committee, Program Committee, and Projects Committee.