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Officer Residency Status

*as submitted by Rob Harris
Harrison West Society President*

The HWS Treasurer, Ms. Borlaza and her husband Mr. Gil Borlaza have recently moved their residence out of Harrison West, while at the same time buying a rental property in the neighborhood. At issue is that the Harrison West Society Constitution and By-Laws currently state: "All officers must be residents of Harrison West." Due to the vague nature of the By-Law regarding compliance at the time of election or for full term, the Society placed a motion to interpret the By-Laws as "All officers must be residents of Harrison West for the full term of office". The Motion to interpret the By-Laws failed leaving the vague nature as is.

I, as the President of the Society with consult from my fellow officers, executive committee, and advisors have made the following ruling: The Society will honor the residency status at the time of election and allow the treasurer to serve out the remainder of the term in good standing. Basis for the ruling are as follows:

- Resident at the time of election with no prior intensions of moving outside the neighborhood.
- Registered CPA, devoted member of our Society, and wishes to continue her dedication to our neighborhood.
- Voting member based on neighborhood property ownership.
- Precedence was established when the 2001-2002 President of the Society lived the majority of the term outside the neighborhood, no call for resignation was made.
- Corrections or clarifications to the By-Laws should be handled by committee, and then properly implemented under the guidelines of our Constitution.



**Next
Meeting:
Wednesday,
August 16**

**Chair's ruling on officer
residency
Constitution & By Laws
Taffic Island Agreement**

**NEXT
MEETING**

**The Harrison West
Society will meet
Wednesday,
August 16 at 7:00 PM
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HARRISON WEST SOCIETY MINUTES

July 19, 2006

as submitted by Barb Kobbie, Harrison West Society Secretary

The regular monthly meeting of the Harrison West Society was held on Wednesday, July 19, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., at the First Brethren Church, 473 W. Third Avenue. President Mr. Rob Harris, Vice President Ms. Mary Funk and Secretary Ms. Barbara Kobbie were present. Treasurer Ms. Becky Borlaza was not in attendance.

Mr. Rob Harris welcomed the attendees and introductions were made. A quorum of more than eight was reached; twenty-five were present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. Mr. Harris said that Harrison West Society balance is currently \$8,267.04 and inquired if there were any outstanding expenses. None were reported.

Mr. Harris reported that Tom McClain Vice President of Corporate Communications at Battelle and their liaison to Harrison West, is retiring. Mr. Harris indicated that a letter should be sent stating the Harrison West Society's appreciation of his years of service and dedication.

Mr. Craig Copeland Traffic Committee Chair said that he has worked with Mr. McClain. Mr. Copeland further outlined Mr. McClain's accomplishments such as the Fifth and Perry green space, the Third Avenue Bridge and the tree plantings. Mr. Copeland moved to adopt a motion to send an appreciation letter.

The motion was approved.

Mr. Harris clarifies TIF regarding Harrison Park.

Mr. Tom Maxwell Audit Committee Chair reported that the Audit Report will be published in the newsletter.

Mr. Jerry Colvin Budget and Finance Committee Chair reported that his newly formed committee has not had a meeting yet. Mr. Colvin was considering a "rainy day" fund.

Pastor Morris Civic Relations and Conservation District Committee Chair reported that light rail and street cars were discussed at the Counsel of Historic Neighborhoods.

Ms. Mary Funk said that the city of Columbus was in favor of street cars.

Ms. Stephanie Celebrezze Communications Committee Chair was not in attendance; however Mr. Gil Borlaza a communications committee member reported that the committee was in the process of preparing a Harrison West Society brochure. Time Warner is donating the cost of the printing of the brochure. In addition, the communications committee is also considering a Harrison West Society business discount card.

Mr. Chris Ruder Constitution and By-Laws Committee Chair reported that he is continuing to redraft the By-Laws for review by the Executive Committee. Mr. Ruder is pursuing the current Harrison West boundaries as well as researching the issue of previous By-Law adoption, due to a lack of proper documentation; it is unclear which By-Laws are currently in effect.

Mr. Rick Kobbie Elections Committee Chair reported there is an election of officer issue.

Mr. Harris then described the issue in his report.

Mr. Harris reported that HWS Treasurer, Ms. Borlaza and her husband Mr. Gil Borlaza plan to purchase a rental property in Harrison West and move their residence out of Harrison West. At issue is that the Harrison West Society constitution and By-Laws currently state:

"All officers must be residents of Harrison West."

Mr. Harris stated that during Mr. Keith Dimoff presidency (2001 - 2002), he lived the majority of time in another neighborhood. No one opposed or asked for his resignation.

Mr. Harris then opened the floor for discussion regarding this matter.

At issue:

- If an officer is elected, but then moves during their term, are they able to finish their term of office?
- Article V, 3 does not make clear if the officer must be a resident when elected or for the full term of office.
- Are there extenuating circumstances?

A motion was placed before the Society by Steven Cross:
Harrison West Society Constitution and By Laws states:

Article V. Officers

3. All officers must be residents of Harrison West. Interpreted as..."All officers must be residents of Harrison West for the full term of office."

- In agreement with this statement - 8
- Disagree with this statement - 10

Motion fails.

Mr. Harris said that the Executive committee will discuss the issue further and he will take it under advisement.

Mr. Tony Celebrezze Membership Chair was not in attendance

Ms. Debbie Colvin Parks Committee Co-Chair reported:

Mr. Paul Walters of Metropolis has been contacted about scheduling cleaning and polishing of the Side by Side sculptures for late September-October.

Alpha State is sponsoring a fashion show highlighting fashions by Greenweavers Organics of Dayton, Ohio. The show is July 30 from 1-6 p.m. at Alpha State's studio at Third and Michigan. See the July newsletter for more information.

Tree removal and pruning has been done by the City at the Harrison West Park.

Mr. Bob Mangia Parks Committee Co-Chair (not in attendance) is reviewing plans of irrigation winterization before proceeding with process of receiving quotes for work.

The water line was punctured at Side by Side park, so there is currently no water service at the Park. And there is still no water service at the Harrison West Park - as it is connected to the construction of the traffic islands.

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Harrison West Society meets 3rd

Wednesday of each month, 7:00 PM.

Minutes Continued

Mr. Bob Mangia is working on getting bids for weeding and fertilizing Harrison West green spaces.

Mr. Jacob Sukosd Planning and Development Committee Chair reported:

- The BZA tabled the ruling on variances of the Second Avenue and Perry property due to the parking variance.

- There has been no new action by the owner of the property.

- The Society is not taking any new action.

Mr. Sukosd reported that the Real Estate in Harrison West is as follows:

- 15 properties currently for sale.
- Average property value for sale is over \$240,00.

- This month there were 8 transactions with each over \$220,000.

Mr. Tim Bledsoe Social Committee Chair reported:

- Mr. Bledsoe is currently working on the Harrison West Society Block Party celebrating our 30th Anniversary on July 21, 2006 on West Fourth Avenue

- He needs another grill for grilling hamburgers and brats.

- He will pursue donations for the Block Party

- Mr. Seth Rothey, former Conservation District Committee Chair (not in attendance) will provide the Corn Hole game.

Mr. Craig Copeland Traffic Committee Chair reported:

- Maintenance Agreement for the Traffic islands are under review by Mr. Harris, Ms. Funk, and Mr. Copeland.

- Mr. Brad Westall, Columbus Recreation and Parks Department, is asking for support with his project. He is applying for Transportation Enhancement Funds to build a bike way connection to the Olentangy Trail, along Goodale Boulevard.

- Mr. Copeland made a motion to support the previously described project.

- The motion passed.

Officer Steve Smith Crime Report, reported:

- 6 Burglaries in total.

- 2 verifiable

- 2 misdemeanor theft such as lawn mower from a yard or an unattended bicycle.

- 2 break-ins that were similar to last months car stereo thefts.

Crime Stoppers is having a benefit on August 19, 2006. Please read details in the August Harrison West Society Newsletter.

Mr. Harris introduced speaker Mr. Paul Bonneville of www.columbusretrometro.com

Mr. Bonneville outlined his rationale for his web site and described his background. He refers to his web site as a promotional tool and a comprehensive resource for historic neighborhoods. He would like to engage in critical discussions that face urban areas as well as educate.

Pastor Morris asked Ms. Funk about tree trimming in the neighborhood.

Ms. Funk reported that the city of Columbus takes care of tree trimming, however they are running behind. Please do not trim trees in the area between your yard and curb because the city will assess a fine.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Barbara Allyn Kobee Secretary Harrison West Society

Harrison West Society Membership



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30th Anniversary Brochure to be Ready Soon

as submitted by Mary Funk, Vice President

Communication Chair Stephanie Tresso Celebrezze reports that her committee has been working on a 30th Anniversary Harrison West Brochure. The brochure is at the point where the committee is ready for the final format, at which time it will be ready for print. The brochure will include facts about the Harrison West area as it is today, plus some interesting photos of the area as it was some 30 years ago.

A major company within the Harrison West Area has offered to print the brochure free of charge. Look for this great brochure shortly. Many thanks to Stephanie and her committee for the work they have devoted to this brochure.



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The Block Party Rocked

as submitted by Tim Bledsoe
Harrison West Society Social Chair

The 2006 Harrison West Society Block Party was a huge success, with a count of 108 people by 8:00 PM. The weather was great for late July as cool breezes came in. New this year was a popcorn maker, tent, food table fan, and an upgraded stereo system. I learned a long time ago that anything great that you accomplish you don't accomplish it alone, and the block party was no exception. The following individuals need to be mentioned; Anton Wood of Caffe Apropos, Ben Chenowitz, Tom Friend, Mary & Roy Funk, Rob Harris, Veda Gilp, Gil Borlaza, Jim Slone, Jeff Stewart, Seth Rothey, and Gene Roe.

The sponsors again this year were great in helping to keep cost down to a minimum. They all were very generous and a big thank you goes to the following for their financial support: Mark Wagenbrenner, Discover Card, Scot Robinson of 5/3 Bank, Tom Robinson of Kroger, North Market, Bob Mangia of Market Blooms, Jeni's Ice Cream, and Mary Funk. Hope to see everyone soon at the annual Holiday Party this December 20th.



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June 1, 2005 through May 31,
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*as submitted by Becky Borlaza,
Harrison West Society Treasurer*

Income

Membership Dues	\$2,065.00
Advertising Income	\$7,490.00
Contribution	\$ 85.00
Total Income	\$9,640.00

Expense

Bank Service Charges	\$10.00
Community Support	\$199.90
Insurance	\$1,892.00
Legal & Registrations	\$50.00
Mailing Costs	\$458.42
Newsletter Costs	\$5,739.28
Social Events	\$ 324.03
Yard Sale Costs	\$71.66
Total Expense	\$8,745.29
Net Income	\$894.71

**Tom McClain
Retires**

*as submitted by by Craig Copeland,
Barbara Koebe and Rob Harris*

The Harrison West Society would like to take this opportunity, upon Mr. Tom McClain's retirement to formally acknowledge, with deep appreciation the relationship that has been built over the years. We further wish to applaud Battelle's partnership, with Mr. McClain's leadership, in developing a common vision with our Society's goals to reinforce the significant historic character of our neighborhood with the thoughtful integration of Battelle's campus. We have created a successful partnership.

We greatly appreciate both Mr. McClain's countless hours contributed and Battelle's



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participation in many planning processes including the Riverfront Vision Plan and The Harrison West Vision Plan, a set of guidelines for future development of the neighborhood. We look forward to the future collaboration between Battelle and the Harrison West Society continuing with the Technology and Re-

search Corridor, the role of the Olentangy River and the completion of the long awaited Traffic Calming Islands on Fifth Avenue. All of us at the Harrison West Society have warm wishes for Tom McClain as we look forward to a continuing relationship with Battelle that he helped to create.

New meeting time is 7 PM.

Dispatch Restaurant Critic Raves About Cafe Corner

If you checked last week's "Weekender," you will have noticed the restaurant reviewer had nothing but praise for Cafe Corner and their challenging new menu.

Eadie Gourmet personally can attest that the food is good and delivery is really fast. And they don't snicker when you answer the door covered in yellow paint!

There's a coupon on Page 4 in the HWS News for free delivery in Harrison West.

Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Oodles

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Naturally the fried rice would be different and better than the ordinary. (The owner of Oodles also owns Typhoon.) Oodles fried rice is topped with a tangy gravy and loaded with fresh veggies.

I tried the Soupy soup Pho nam. This is a great soup with rice noodles, basil, jalapenos, bean sprouts, and lime juice. Unfortunately, the overwhelmed kitchen left out the jalapenos, basil, and lime. Jean and I hit it with the spicy chili sauce that's on every table, and livened it up considerably. Next time, they'll get it right.

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Eadie Gourmet Eats Out at Oodles

by Veda Gilp

The Oriental place next to Spinelli's Deli in the Thurber Center finally opened. They had three great days during which they were overwhelmed with patrons. Last Friday they closed for the day to boost their kitchen capacity. If you eat Oriental food, don't waste a minute getting there.

Neighbor Jean Godby and I stopped by last Thursday for a catching-up dinner. More than 100 people came, ate, and went in the hour we were there.

Oodles noodles and dumpling bar is just what this neighborhood needs. The food is good, creative, inexpensive -- and when they get the kitchen up to speed -- will be fast.

The Lemongrass dumplings are excellent; crispy, stuffed with chicken and veggies, and exotic tasting.

The pork potstickers are terrific! I could make a meal of these, and at \$3.50 for 5, can afford to do so.

The spicy Thai peanut noodle was really good, but you could ask them to up the heat a bit.

If you're eating light, get a mixer rice bowl with fresh Asian veggies with a choice of chicken, beef, shrimp, or tofu.

In the exotic salad line, try the Vietnamese cold noodles -- greens, vermicelli, peanuts, Thai herbs, citrus dressing.

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