

## **DRC Member Meeting Minutes     June 12, 2018**

**Welcome** -- President Sue Byrom

**New Members** -- Yana Wayne and Jennifer Swaine

New Business Member -- O'Reilly's

**Cincinnati Police Report** -- Captain Neville reported that the recent events in our district, Taste of Cincinnati and Bunbury Music Festival, were basically crime free. Although tens of thousands attended, no handcuffs were needed for either event. The 3-year average for crime is down.

**Fire Dept.** -- Significant reduction in overdoses in the last month. Only about half as many Narcan incidents.

**Ambassadors** -- Clean up went well after Taste of Cincinnati and Bunbury Festival. New plant holders are maintaining well.

A work van will be in use as of June 25<sup>th</sup>, picking up panhandlers to take them to a job site. They will be paid a daily rate, given a box lunch, and social service agencies will be available to provide relevant information to them.

Both Police Dept. and Ambassadors are interested in finding remedy for the encampment at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Plum.

**Speakers** -- Patricia Van Skaik, Director of Lloyd Library, gave an informative presentation about the history of the library, as well as providing information about services available there.

Bill Furbee, Herzog Music, shared with the group significant historical facts about the Herzog's contribution to Cincinnati's music heritage. Additionally, information was given about the hours and services currently offered.

**May Minutes** -- Motion to approve made by Andy Reiss, seconded by Barbara Smurda. Approved unanimously

**Events**- Mary Heimert announced there would be no second social event in June. Two events per month will resume in July. Anyone with ideas for social locations is encouraged to contact her.

**Clean, Green and Safe** -- Sue Byrom emphasized the health and safety concerns raised because of the homeless encampment at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Plum.

It was noted that the City's budget currently decreases NSP funding by 25% in the coming year.

**Announcements:**

**Cincinnati Federal Credit Union, First Watch, Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra**