

## **TOMCAT BRIDGEBUILDERS' MEETING MINUTES**

**February 6, 2013**  
**Trimble High School**

*Members present: Jay Barrett, Jane Bingman, Keller Blackburn, Diana Chalfant, Deputy Jim Childs, Lisa Fierce, Tessa Fierce, Claudia Guffey, Kelly Hatas, Donna Jensen-Besaw, Kim Jones, David Landess, Jon McDonald, Jonah Mullins, Ryan Nagucki,, Jeff Ross, Svea Maxwell, Rena Scarberry, Agnes Swaro, Kathy Trace, Mandy Wright*

### **I. Clock Project**

Mr. McDonald and Ms. Fierce presented an update on the clock project. They are attempting to find the history of the clock.

### **II. Housing Update**

1. Ms. Trace and Mr. Ross attended an Athens Housing meeting and learned the HUD inspection process. Habitat for Humanity is interested in assisting the community.
2. The Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) was formed to clean up neighborhoods with assistance from the Village. Code enforcement is needed to for property clean-up, rentals etc. Ms. Trace volunteered to talk with Nelsonville Code Office.
- 3 Mr. Barrett recommended inviting Mike Cooper from ACCHD to a meeting.

### **III. Athens County Prosecutor Update**

1. Mr. Blackburn explained the laws regarding housing, evictions. He said the Village Council can pass ordinances to be reinforced locally and would propose an ordinance to the Village Council. He said after the changes to the drug sentencing bill people were no longer motivated to participate in treatment in lieu of incarceration.

### **IV. Other**

1. Ms. Jensen-Besaw said she would bring the application for the Athens Foundation grant with Promise Neighborhoods to the March meeting.
2. Ms. Wright is planning Girl Power Formal at the end of February and attending an OU Women's basketball game on February 23<sup>rd</sup> and a Lock-In tentatively scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup>.
3. Mr. Mullins reported the Treatment Group was large enough to split into two groups.
4. Ms. Trace requested suggestions for items to be used as match on DFC grant.
6. Mr. Ross said the building considered for dances may not be suitable and it was also rented out for batting cages.
7. The Depot Group will report at the March meeting.
8. The next meeting will be March 6, 2013.