

Capitol View Neighborhood Association February Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Capitol View Neighborhood Association was held at the Metropolitan Library on Saturday, February 18, 2017. The meeting was called to order by President, Christie Peters at 10__A.

ATTENDEES

There were 33 attendees.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the January 2017 CVNA meeting were reviewed and accepted without changes.

Christie Peters motioned to approve.

Sarah Stein seconded the motion.

The motion was approved (Approved: 21; Opposed: 0).

REPORTS

Zone 3

Sgt. Cerul (Zone 3 Day Watch Supervisor)

Precinct #: 404.624.0674

Email: acerul@atlantaga.gov

Treasurer's Report

- Fidelity Checking Account Balance: \$2650.03 [\$2500 of money is earmarked for the Community Cart]
- PayPal Account Balance: \$1713.94
- Jan-Feb Activity: +214.27 (membership dues)
- Total account balances: \$4578.24
- Jason King requested a line item for earmarked money

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACTIVITIES

Updates from Councilwoman Joyce Sheperd's Office - Lynette Rummel

- Code Enforcement Walk:
 - o *Friday, March 24, 2017*
 - o Code Enforcement Walk in Capitol View with Major Van Hobbs, Head of Code Enforcement Section of APD
 - o Code Enforcement Walks will occur in different neighborhoods every other Friday.
 - o Email lsrummel@atlantaga.gov with any concerns before the walk so they can be addressed.
 - o Walks are targeting big picture items (not small things like numbers on houses).
 - o Initiative and Councilwoman Sheperd's office can provide assistance to seniors who need help with code enforcement issues.
- "Fight the Blight" Educational Symposium:
 - o *Saturday, March 25, 2017, 9A - 12N*
 - o Rosel Fann Recreation Center 365 Cleveland Avenue
 - o Symposium will instruct residents on how to recognize and report code violations
- Neighborhood Cleanup:

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- **Saturday, April 29, 2017**
- Trash and tire clean up
- Gloves and pick up sticks will be provided
- **Jazz in the Park:**
 - **Saturday, May 20, 2017**
 - Perkerson Park
- **Commercial Development:**
 - Developer (cannot release name) under six month contract for property at the southeast corner of University Avenue and Metropolitan Parkway (consisting of area from tire shop to Jam Rock restaurant)
 - Potential development: Dunkin Donuts, mini H-Mart, a restaurant, and a new building for Jam Rock restaurant
 - Developer has to be finished with planning process and present to CVNA within two months
 - Questioned about H-Mart's history of not hiring locally. Advised to bring up concerns during presentation to neighborhood.
- **Metropolitan Parkway Moratorium**
 - Reviewed recommended permit conditions (permitted, special use, prohibited)
- For more information regarding the status of House Bill 38 (issuance of noncommercial Class C driver's license for the operation of three-wheeled motor vehicles) contact Donald Jumper (Chief of Staff/Legislative Assistant for Councilwoman Sheperd) 404-546-4969.

Updates from NPU-X February Meeting

- **Food Coop at Perkerson Park:**
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- **Zombie Run (5K) @ Fort McPherson:**
 - **Saturday, April 29, 2017, 9A - 12N**
 - Runner - \$49, Zombie - \$35 (report for makeup by 730A)
 - Free parking
 - [Httpwww.zombierun.com](http://www.zombierun.com)
- **Elevation Leadership Academy:**
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ACTION ITEM

Capitol View Strategic Plan: Review and Vote

- Request for further delay in voting was denied
- Reiterated that the Strategic Plan is a “living document” and serves as a general guideline for achieving the mission of the neighborhood association
- Adjustments to teams and priorities can be made as needed.
- All residents in attendance were able to vote on plan regardless of membership status
 - o Membership payment not needed as this is not a vote to change bylaws, to spend money, or vote for officers
- Voting on Strategic Plan was deferred to give residents an opportunity to pay dues in order to have voting status and for residents to review
- Christie Peters called for a vote (Approved: 28).

NEW BUSINESS

Sign Toppers

- NPU-X received \$3600 grant from the City of Atlanta
- Money used to purchase street sign toppers for four of the NPU-X neighborhoods (one neighborhood already has signs)
- Since residents requested neighborhood-specific signs versus NPU-X signs, each participating neighborhood will have to contribute \$45 for signs.
- 50 signs will be distributed proportionally between Capitol View, Capitol View Manor, Sylvan Hills, and Hammond Park (Capitol View will receive 12).
- CV already has some sign toppers. It was recommended that the new set replace the old so that there is uniformity.
- CV Residents are willing to donate money to order extra toppers so that there can be one at each intersection.
 - o There are approximately 50 intersections in neighborhood
 - o Toppers fall off easily in the case of accidents, should order a few extra
- Christie will contact NPU-X President, Michael Hopkins, to determine if additional signs can be added to order.

James Harris motioned to accept donations from residents to purchase extra sign toppers, with spending not to exceed the donation amount collected.

MaryClaire Foster seconded motion.

The motion was approved (Approved: 19; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0).

NEIGHBOR RECOGNITION

- Kari Nelson (Jesuit house at Athens & Deckner)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Legal Aid - Sarah Stein

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- Sarah works at Atlanta Legal Aid - Home Defense Unit
 - o Provides free legal aid to income qualified and seniors over 60 to assist with mortgage payment and foreclosure issues
- www.atlantalegalaid.org - 54 Ellis Street - 404.524.5811

Lakewood Grant Idea - Sarah Stein

- Project to assist people apply for Homestead Exemption (a reduction in homeowners' property taxes based on home's assessed value), age exemption, and disability exemption
 - o Homestead Exemption qualification: must own the property and be primary residence
- Identify homes that are owner-occupied
 - o Doug Price (Pro Bono lawyer at SW Community Empowerment Center) has started accumulating records
- Send a mailer to inquire about interest in applying for exemptions
- Assist interested residents with application process
 - o This project would a match for the Community Stability and Community Building action teams

Membership Dues - Jason King

- Senior (60+ years old) Membership Rate - \$10
 - o This is a permanent reduction
 - o CVNA Banner purchase is separate
- Sponsor Your Neighbor Program
 - o Residents can donate to a membership coffer in order to provide an honorarium to residents that need assistance obtaining member status in CVNA
 - o Residents that receive honorarium must commit to attend three (3) meetings within six (6) months

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NPU-X Public Safety Committee Meeting: Monday, February 27, 2017 @ 630P (Rice Memorial Church)

Next CVNA Meeting: Saturday, March 18, 2017 @ 1030A (Metropolitan Library)

Meeting adjourned @ 12N

Secretary

Date of approval