

**Charles B. Aycock Neighborhood Association**  
**Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting**  
April 25, 2011

**Present:** Christina Cantrell, Bert VanderVeen, Shawn Wriede

**Absent:** Fabio Camara, Linda Fusco, Brian Heagney, Laura Wall

**Guests:** Officer Doug Campbell, Clint Spivey, business owner, Joe Killian, resident, Amanda Lehmert, resident

**Meeting Called to Order: 6:35 pm**

**1.) Community Watch Report:**

- a. Officer Doug Campbell reported on the **reorganization** of the Greensboro Police Department as it pertains to Community Resource Officers. The new team consists of Doug Campbell, Melanie Daniels, and Heather Burns.
- b. The **police report** for the past two months shows 1.) An attempted break-in at 740 Chestnut St. (a vacant property), 2.) Vandalism at Aycock Middle School (broken windows, but nothing missing), and 3.) Stolen HVAC units from 701/703 Park Ave. There was also a resident of Park Ave who died of natural causes in his yard. (Note: the police term for a death that is investigated outside a medical facility is "found body", even if no suspicious cause is noted. Police do not investigate deaths in environments where medical/nursing support exists, such as hospitals or nursing homes.) Even though the historic district experienced a small number of police incidents, just outside the boundary, bordering the A&T campus, a larger number of crimes were reported. Officer Campbell was asked how to prevent those crimes from bleeding over into the Aycock neighborhood and he responded that the neighborhood was already doing the right things by maintaining vigilance and calling police in the event of suspicious activity.

**2.)** Joe Killian and Amanda Lehmert, staff writers for the Greensboro News and Record and residents of Aycock presented their **perspective on various topics**, such as the redistricting issue, the reopening of the landfill, and council member's re-election strategies. They were able to provide opinions on a number of questions raised during the meeting.

**3.) COAs:**

- a. 717 Percy St - enclosure of back deck into a screened-in porch - Approved
- b. 515 Fifth Ave - remove crown molding to install gutters - Rejected in view of Historic Guideline item on page 51: *"Where exposed gutters and downspouts are to be replaced or installed, install them so that no architectural features, or details like crown moldings, are damaged or removed."*

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4.) **Secretary-Treasurer report:** Minutes from the February board meeting were distributed, reviewed, and approved. Treasurer's report for March and April were distributed. The bank balance includes the deposit and distribution of checks associated with the BSN (Building Stronger Neighborhoods) grant for the Leadership Forum in April.

**Action Item for Shawn Wriede – post approved minutes on Historic Aycock District website.**

5.) **Historic Home Tour** sponsored by Preservation Greensboro is scheduled for May 21 and 22, 2010 in Aycock and Fisher Park with five homes from each historic neighborhood on the tour. Bert VanderVeen has not been successful in tapping the neighborhood real estate agents to spearhead a “**sprucing up**” of Aycock in preparation for the Tour, but it was determined that, except for Summit Ave, the streets with tour homes are in decent shape.

6.) **Park Ave stone walls** – It has been determined that the stone walls are in the street right-of-way, therefore, the city owns them. Bert VanderVeen is awaiting the city's decision to restore them or to replace them with concrete walls such as the ones on Yanceyville St.

7.) **Breedlove Radiator chain link fence** – there is no update on this issue, but the city appears to agree that the chain link fence can be removed not just in front of Breedlove Radiator, but the entire length to Fisher Ave. Installing chain link fences around interchanges was standard practice when the Summit Ave/Murrow Blvd was built, but it is no longer required.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:23 pm.