

Charles B. Aycock Neighborhood Association Inc.

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, August 27, 2012

Present: Betsey Baun, Christina Cantrell, Sara Farnsworth, Linda Fusco, Khalil Perilstein, Shawn Wriede, Bert VanderVeen, John Mandrano, Jon Mitchell, Samuel Johnson, Carol Velez, Rebecca Fagg, Bobbie Sonner, Suzanne Gray, Joy Dascalakis, Demitri Dascalakis, L.G. Roberts, Mindy Zachary, Douglas Campbell, Andrew LaRowe, Pam Grigsby, Wade Walcott, Mebane Ham, Dan Maxon, Nasha McCray, Jamie Barnett, Chris Wilson.

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 pm

Election of Officers/Committee Appointments for 2012-13. The following officers were elected for 2012-13: Linda Fusco for President, Shawn Wriede for Vice President, Jamie Barnett for Secretary, and Christina Cantrell for Treasurer. Committee appointments included Khalil Perilstein for Community Watch, Jamie Barnett for Welcoming Committee, and Mindy Zachary for Alleyway Issues.

Greensboro Police Department Crime Report: Officer Doug Campbell reported police incidents occurring between July 23 to August 27: Aug. 5 - several rims and tires taken from Bill Black Cadillac; Aug. 10 - two packages were taken from the front steps of a residence on Chestnut Street; Aug. 14 - tools were taken from Rental Works; Aug. 19 - a minor staying in the homeless camp on Dunleith; Aug. 2 - USPS courier box was stolen; Aug. 11- Wendy's drive-through was robbed; Aug. 18 - Walter Wallace assaulted a man at a bus stop; Aug. 22 - A man knocked down a light pole; July 28 – Iphone was stolen from resident walking near Lindsay; Aug. 16 - two nail guns were taken from a vacant house on Park Ave.

Special Speakers: Andrew LaRowe, COO for Guilford County Schools, gave a report on a 10-year plan for renovations to Aycock Middle school. He reported that there is no funding right now. School officials are looking at 10 years out in the Facilities master plan. Work will require a bond. Volunteers to liaison with the School were requested. Jon Mitchell volunteered to be the point person.

Chris Wilson from Parks and Recreation updated the Board on their hope for future improvements to Memorial Stadium. He asked the Board for a liaison to work with Parks and Recreation. Mindy Zachary volunteered to be the point person.

Minutes/Secretary's Report: Christina Cantrell – minutes for July 23, 2012 were distributed and approved. **Action Item:** Shawn Wriede to post minutes of July Board/neighborhood meeting on the website.

Treasurer's Report: \$50.00 entrance fee for Chili Cookoff, \$30.00 for the Pecan Festival street closing application.

Presidents Report: No report.

Community Development: Betsey Baun, updates on Farmers Market, GSO Beautiful grant, proactive tree pruning. Linda Fusco volunteered to work with Betsey Baun on tree pruning project.

Community Watch: Khalil Perilstein. No report.

Newsletter: Linda Fusco. No report.

Technology: Shawn Wriede, glitches to listserv are fixed.

Welcoming: Jamie Barnett. No report. **Action Item:** Jamie Barnett to work with Linda Fusco to put together baskets for 810 Cypress Ave and 702 5th Ave.

Historic Preservation: (moved to end of meeting – see page 2)

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Old Business:

Replacement of street light at Leftwich resolved by Duke Power—moving to another location where it will not be so easily knocked down.

Little Library – has been painted and is being shipped to us.

Leftwich Tunnel Painting - suggestion by Betsey Baun to have Aycock Middle School students do the painting. **Action Item: Christina Cantrell to contact Aycock Middle School principal.**

Park Ave stone wall repair with MSD funds – Linda Fusco reported that the deadline is August 31 for Park Avenue owners to return paperwork. Jon Mitchell motioned to withdraw the offer if paperwork is not received by deadline. Motion was carried.

New Business:

Street Mural project brought up by Brian Heagney tabled in his absence.

Review of Dunlap contract: \$25.00 extra per month for trash pick-up at the Bridge. Motion was carried to include trash removal. Contract will be for one-year with re-bid in 2013. **Action Item: Christina Cantrell to follow up with Dunlap Lawn Service.**

Historic Preservation: Linda Fusco

Christina Cantrell was excused due to a conflict of interest with being on the Historic Preservation Commission.

The Board voted to support the following COA applications:

- a) # 1573 - 677 Chestnut St - Develop property into cemetery
- b) # 1566 - 739 Park Ave - Cover existing trim around windows and doors, cover trim around gable vent, cover existing fascia, install beaded soffit and siding on front porch. Installation to be with vinyl product to meet lead-safe standards. Replace gutters. Voted in favor of due to the house not being a contributing structure on the national register
- c) # 1572 - 810 Cypress St - replace front porch wrought iron pillars with wood pillars, install railings on porch, replace front walkway

The Board voted NOT to support the following COA applications:

- d) #1562 - 754 Chestnut St - expand landing on second level of house at top of exterior steps - voted not to support due to after-the-fact COA application and question about setback from property line
- e) #1571 - 720 Percy St - remove chimney on left rear side of house - voted not to support due to precedent set with other chimneys previously removed having to be re-installed. Question from Board about current use (duplex) and whether house reverts back to single family since it has been vacant for more than a year. **Action Item: Linda Fusco to check with City about zoning enforcement.**
- f) # 1568 - 602 Fifth Ave - replace all windows - voted not to support due to after-the-fact COA application and replacement of original windows with vinyl

Announcements:

- Big Sweep Clean up – Saturday, September 15, meet at 721 5th Ave at 8:30 a.m. – cleanup 9 – 11 a.m. and pizza from 11 a.m. to 12 Noon at Memorial Stadium
- Pecan Festival – Saturday, October 6 at Sternberger Park – 4-7 p.m.
- Chili Cook-off – Thursday, November 29 at Farmers Market

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Jamie Barnett, Secretary