

Charles B. Aycock Neighborhood Association Inc.  
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 27, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Monday, April 27, 2015 at St. Leo's Place. Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by President Linda Fusco. Secretary Anne-Marie Earl agreed to transcribe the minutes.

Board Members Present: Robert Coltun, Anne-Marie Earl, Linda Fusco, Brian Gillies, Lynne Leonard, Esther Maltby, Matthew Thomas, Shawn Wriede, Mindy Zachary

Board Members Absent: David Horth, John Mandrano (alternate), Mark Walter (alternate)

Others Present: Officer Douglas Campbell, Officer Fred Pinson, Kym Smith, David Wharton

**Greensboro Police Department Crime Report:** Officer Campbell reported on local crimes in the area, including two burglaries, robbery, arson, a hit and run, and trespassing. Officer Campbell is being assigned to a newly drawn district, and Officer Pinson is one of three officers assigned to our new district (4). The Police Department is still addressing the Dunleith homeless camp at 677 Chestnut.

**Minutes/Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the March meeting were distributed and accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** The checking account balance is \$3,164.72. The savings account balance is \$3,204.24. Total assets are \$6,368.96. The city reimbursed the tunnel gardening expenses to our account. The 990 tax form for the year 2014 has been filed. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary to transfer funds to library for archiving project.**

**President's Report:** Linda Fusco distributed Kym Smith's presentation on three different lighting options to make the lights throughout the neighborhood more uniform and effective. The city sanded and painted the light poles, so Kym Smith, Linda Fusco, Bob Coltun, and David Wharton met on April 22<sup>nd</sup> to go over lighting options, as many of the globes are broken, yellow, and/or are missing their tops.

Kym Smith presented three options that are LED but appear to fit in with the look of a historic neighborhood and our pole style (D). The first option is the 50 watt LED Acorn Street Light Fixture. The cost is \$1,235.03 per light. With tax and the transition fee for 80 lights, it comes to a grand total of \$110,340.97. The second option is the 50 watt LED Deluxe Acorn Street Light Fixture. The cost is \$1,448.88 per light. With tax and the transition fee for 80 lights, it comes to a grand total of \$128,646.53. The third option is the 50 watt LED Open Deluxe Acorn Street Light Fixture. The cost is \$1,395.40 per light. With tax and the transition fee for 80 lights, it comes to a grand total of \$124,068.64.

The lights and poles were all installed in 1997 per Mike Cowhig, and the cost for each pole and light at that time was \$4,373. Because the city sanded and painted our poles in 2014, that resulted in a savings of roughly \$3,000 per pole—if we chose to replace the poles along with the lights.

The benefit of the 50-watt LED lights is that they will last longer and will not yellow. Duke Energy's transition fee of \$54 per light will potentially change. Kym Smith agreed to return to the next meeting—with light samples if she can get them—with answers to the board's questions, including the material of the fixture we are interested in, dimensions, and if the shield is easily broken. **ACTION ITEM: Linda Fusco to follow up with Kym Smith and a Duke Power representative to attend the next meeting.**

**Committee Reports:**

**Fundraising:** Brian Gillies is continuing to work on a neighborhood yard sale where 10% of the profits will go to the neighborhood's general account. **ACTION ITEM: Brian Gillies to purchase yard sale signs.**

**Governance:** David Horth was not in attendance.

**Historic Preservation:** No new COAs this month.

**Newsletter:** Nothing new to report this month.

**Technology:** Shawn Wriede performed a quarterly refresh of the site. Shawn needs help with a site map and re-indexing the site. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary is working with Charlie Newell and will write a summary of neighborhood history (or find someone to write a summary) for Shawn to place on the Historic Aycock**

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**website. ACTION ITEM: Shawn to search for a new web host. ACTION ITEM: Shawn to develop site map and search function.**

**Welcoming:** Anne-Marie Earl has two baskets to deliver: one to 701 5<sup>th</sup> and one to 112 Cypress **ACTION ITEM: Anne-Marie to put together and deliver a welcome basket for 701 5<sup>th</sup> and 112 Cypress once they move in.**

**Special Projects:**

**Greensboro Neighborhood Congress:** None of the board members were in attendance at the last GNC meeting. **ACTION ITEM: Shawn Wriede to forward GNC minutes.**

**Old Business:**

**Great American Cleanup:** Roughly 20 bags of trash were collected. Leftwich Tunnel had very little trash.

**Vision Statement:** David Horth was not in attendance. **ACTION ITEM: David Horth to continue working on the vision statement.**

**Bessemer Sign:** The lettering on the new sign is not readable. It is too small and the metallic color is too light. **ACTION ITEM: Linda Fusco to follow up with Stefan-leih Geary about lettering on both neighborhood signs. ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary to follow up with Sally about architectural plans for area around sign at Yanceyville and Bessemer.**

**Greenway:** David Wharton reported that he attended today's Greenway meeting in which they discussed Phase II plans, which includes Summit Ave. Sidewalks will be extended. Breedlove has requested business access to Summit. The cloverleaf exits are going to be removed. There are plans to add pedestrian landscaping on the bridge. A section of Summit will be narrowed down to two lanes to slow traffic.

**New Business:**

**Neighborhood Bus Stops:** Trash is becoming an issue by bus stops, where there are no trashcans. Mindy suggested bus stops with seating and trash cans to be installed. Discussion was tabled for another meeting. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary to send Linda images of bus stops she's seen in California.**

**Landscaping:** The city is taking over all landscaping contracts and will bid out the jobs. The two contracts we currently have in place are being extended by two months for Dunlap and three months for Great Atlantic to allow time for the City to develop a Request for Bid. The board voted and unanimously agreed.

**Announcements for Aycock:**

- Upcoming 2015 Board/Neighborhood Meetings – Tuesday, May 26
- First Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale – Saturday, May 30
- National Night Out – Tuesday, August 4
- Clean Sweep – Saturday, September 19
- Luminarias – Sunday, December 13 (Rain date: Sunday, December 20)

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:38.

Submitted by,

Anne-Marie Earl