

Charles B. Aycock Neighborhood Association Inc.  
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting  
Date: Monday, February 24, 2014

**Meeting Called to Order: 6:30 pm**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Aycock Neighborhood Association Inc. was held on Monday, February 24, 2014, at Sternberger Artist Center on Summit Avenue in Greensboro, NC. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Treasurer Christina Cantrell. (Linda Fusco transcribed the minutes.)

**In Attendance:** The organization's president, Linda Fusco, was in attendance, as was the Secretary, Sara Farnsworth. Also in attendance were: Christina Cantrell, Shawn Wriede, Mindy Zachary, Esther Maltby, Bob Coltun, Mark Walter, Doug Campbell, Mebane Ham, and John Mandrano.

**Absent:** Board members Matthew Thomas and Bert VanderVeen

**Reports:**

**Greensboro Police Department Crime Report:** Report was given by Officer Doug Campbell. He passed around lists of crimes committed in January 2014 compared to January 2013 in our area. He noted that due to better record keeping by the GPD, the list appears shorter for January 2014 than January 2013. Crimes reported in Jan 2014 include two burglaries, one robbery, hit and run in Fisher Park, trespassing, DWI, stolen phone, aggravated assault at Executive Inn, vandalism, attempted theft, and shots fired at Cumberland Courts apartments on Murrow Blvd and on Homeland.

**Minutes/Secretary's Report:** Reading and approval of the minutes for the regular meeting on January 27, 2014, were tabled until the next meeting, as they were not made available prior to this meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report shows a balance of \$8,530.83 as of February 19, 2014. The account is out of balance with the bank statement due to a check to Susan Elliott in the amount of \$45. The check was cashed but the bank never posted it to our account. Christina will make an adjustment if needed. Christina indicated that she transferred the funds in the escrow account (\$3,000) to the general account, as per Board instructions at the last meeting. Christina sent an email via the LISTSERV asking if anyone had objections to the transfer, but no one raised any questions or concerns.

**Presidents Report:**

Mebane Ham appointment: Linda motioned to formally appoint Mebane Ham to fill the vacant position left by Joe Kilpatrick, who left the neighborhood. The motion was seconded and approved. Linda asked for a volunteer to take over as chairman of Community Watch (Joe's position). There were no volunteers. Linda retired the committee until there is someone interested in chairing it. Carl Myatt note: Carl sent a note to Linda thanking the Board for listening to his development option for 740 Chestnut.

Offer to archive records: There is an offer from Jennifer Motszko, Manuscript Architect with University Libraries, to archive any records we would like to make available to the public. This will be a free service. Jennifer offered to come to the next meeting and discuss with us.

Newsletter: It was reported that we may be losing our printing source (Mike McQuaid), as he is changing jobs and will no longer be with Sharp Business Systems. Linda proposed that we go digital for that reason and due to the fact that we are all too busy to deliver the newsletters. The Board was in agreement. It was agreed to send out a flyer announcing that we are going digital, and to put some copies of the newsletter in the Little Library for those without internet service, and to also put a sign announcing "Newsletters Available Here" at the Little Library. Linda asked Mindy to help with writing/editing of future newsletters and also asked for volunteers to sell ads for the newsletter.

Request to track action items: Linda requested that Esther keep track of the action items discussed at this meeting.

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**Alleyway Issues:** Shawn distributed copies of a proposal from Jewel Engineering to supply us with an engineer's report that addresses the water issues in the alleyway between Summit and Park. Their estimate was for \$2000.00. Jewel was the only firm that responded to Shawn's request for proposal. Timmons Engineering; Borum, Wade and Associates; and Fleming Engineering were also contacted but did not respond. There was a question raised as to whether or not Jewel would exceed their estimate of \$2,000.00. Shawn motioned to accept the Jewel Engineering proposal and to notify Jewel to not exceed \$2,000.00 without board approval and to take the funds from our general account.

**Fundraising:** No report.

**Historic Preservation:** No report.

**Newsletter:** No report.

**Technology:** Shawn Wriede reported that Mark Walter will assist as Administrator on our Facebook page.

**Welcoming:** No report.

Action Item: Christina will alert Bert to deliver welcome baskets to new resident at 740 Chestnut and to brick house on Fifth Avenue and to 720 Percy.

**Greensboro Neighborhood Congress:** No report, as meeting was cancelled.

**School Liaison/PBIS Project:** No report.

Action Item: Linda, please remove *School Liaison* heading and add *Garden* heading on the agenda.

**Old Business:**

Pending action items: All action items from last month were handed with the exception of the Mural project. Sara will contact Stefan-leih for help with moving the project forward. Sara expressed that she may not be able to continue with secretarial duties but would try to finish her current term.

Cameras: John distributed a flyer discussing the price of equipment needed for surveillance at the tunnel and bridge. The estimate was from Convergence Technologies and was \$4,999.79 for one surveillance DVR, four cameras, one POE switch and 1,000 feet of cat.5 wire. Installation cost was not included in the estimate. It was decided that additional information is needed before the board can make a decision.

Action Item: John to continue the process of gathering information and to contact Stefan-leih Geary and Doug Campbell for additional guidance. Shawn and Bob to assist John if needed.

Mission Statement: David Horth will attend next month's meeting and discuss mission statement.

Bessemer/Yanceyville sign at school: No report (no progress due to weather).

**New Business:**

BSN Grant: Matthew Thomas attended the latest BSN workshop and forwarded information to the Board about how to apply for a BSN grant. Esther would like to submit an application for the garden. Linda will assist with the submission of the paperwork, as she has already attended a BSN workshop. There was a question as to why we are sponsoring the Green Living Arts Festival and whether we were funding that event. It was explained that we serve as a pass-through for Zora's BSN grant funds. In exchange, Zora donates some funds to our events. It was suggested that the flyer for the festival clarify that we are not funding the event.

Garbage Pickup at Tunnel and Bridge: There was a question regarding garbage pickup at the tunnel and bridge.

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**Action Item:** Christina to determine whether City or Dunlap is picking up garbage at tunnel and bridge.

**Announcements:** Next board meeting is March 24.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**Minutes Submitted By:** Linda J. Fusco, President