

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

Date: October 28, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at St. Leo's Place Community Room on Sullivan Street. Meeting was called to order at 6:33 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, David Horth, Lynne Leonard, Esther Maltby, Matthew Thomas, Mark Walter (alternate), Shawn Wriede, Mindy Zachary

Board Members Absent: John Mandrano (alternate)

Others Present: Raleigh Stout, Carol Velez, Samuel Johnson, Zora Medor

Greensboro Police Department Crime Report: Officer Campbell did not attend the meeting, but Linda Fusco gave his report. Crime was down by three incidents for this period this year as compared to 2013.

Minutes/Secretary's Report: September minutes were distributed and reviewed, and the minutes were unanimously approved. **ACTION ITEM: Anne-Marie Earl to amend the August 25th minutes to add that Robert Coltun and Linda Fusco also attended the meeting with Tom Carruthers, City Attorney, on August 15, in which storm water drainage was discussed.**

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer Report showed an ending balance of \$5805.18, with \$5,617.24 in the General Fund and the rest in Escrow. Receipts received for tunnel mural supplies expenses through 10/24/2014 total \$1,369.65. The Aycock Board previously agreed to cover the costs of these initial expenses up to \$1,200.00, and be reimbursed by the City of Greensboro out of our MSD funds. Mindy Zachary moved that supply costs exceeding an additional \$300, \$1500 total, will be deducted from the artist's fee, and the board unanimously agreed.

President's Report: Regarding Leftwich Tunnel, the artist Darlene McClinton is behind schedule, but is due to finish the project October 31st. The artist submitted final designs for the Greensboro side of the tunnel, as well as the floor, and Linda Fusco distributed the designs to the board. We did not receive approval from Hasbro for the Monopoly board design, so Darlene and Linda discussed an alternate design (yellow brick road), which was previously suggested by Mebane Ham at one of the task force meetings. Board members suggested the artist add trees to the design for the Greensboro side flaps. Matthew Thomas suggested a change to the wording to incorporate our mission statement. It will now read, "Welcome to Aycock, Where History Matters," and the board agreed. The board agreed that the signage over the other entrance should read "To Downtown Greensboro."

ACTION ITEM: David Horth to address attendance policy next month. ACTION ITEM: David Horth to compare Bylaws and Volunteer Opportunities documents and recommend changes to Volunteer Opportunities.

The Conflict of Interest Policy was distributed, and Samuel Johnson made suggested changes to the final paragraph. **ACTION ITEM: Anne-Marie to make suggested edits and send back to Linda Fusco for review. ACTION ITEM: David Horth and Linda Fusco to research other non-profit policies and discuss at the next board meeting.**

Committee Reports:

Alleyway Issues: The Office of the City Attorney submitted a proposal for replacing a storm drain in the alleyway between the 600 blocks of Summit and Park, in which the City and the Association would share in the cost of installing the pipe. The estimate was for \$80,000, with an additional cost to of \$3,000/homeowner for a tie-in to the pipe and a requirement that 51% of the homeowners agree to tie in. The proposal included a change in policy for the use of MSD funds to include the repair of storm water drainage issues in alleyways or on private properties if a project was deemed feasible by the board. The board unanimously rejected the change in policy, as it did not meet the guidelines that MSD funds were originally intended for, and the board also rejected the proposal. The consensus was that the City is responsible for storm water maintenance and should pay for the cost of repair. Alternative solutions were discussed, including replacing and lowering a pipe that runs down Charter and installing a storm drain on the corner of Summit and Charter (both items discussed in the Jewell Engineering report ordered and paid for by the board earlier in the year). **ACTION ITEM: Linda Fusco to write our official rejection to City Attorney. ACTION ITEM: Brian Gillies to locate engineering plans from when the city widened Yanceyville.**

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Fundraising: **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary to continue working on Molly McGinn's fundraising concert. Shawn Wriede and Mark Walter agreed to take over luminarias. ACTION ITEM: Mark Walter to send email to listserve about luminarias.**

Historic Preservation: Family Dentistry on 714 Summit submitted COA to remove existing wall sign and replace with new wall signage, as well as an identification ground sign. The board unanimously accepted this COA.

Newsletter: The newsletter was distributed digitally.

Technology: Nothing to report this month. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary will write a summary of neighborhood history (or find someone to write a summary) for Shawn to place on the Historic Aycock website.**

Welcoming: Welcome baskets were delivered to eight new households this month.

Special Projects:

Greensboro Neighborhood Congress: Minutes were distributed.

Community Garden: Nothing to report this month.

Old Business:

Archiving: Project is ongoing; however, there is nothing to report this month.

Sign at Yanceyville and Bessemer: Still a work in progress, but nearly complete.

New Business:

Vision Statement: **ACTION ITEM: David Horth to address Vision Statement next month.**

ACTION ITEM: Linda Fusco to follow up on house with collapsed garage on Park, which was brought up by neighbor Zora Medor.

Announcements for Aycock:

- Upcoming 2014 Board/Neighborhood Meetings – Dec 1
- Luminarias – Sun, Dec 14, 2014 (Rain Date Sun, Dec 21, 2014) – Sternberger Park

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:27.

Submitted by,

Anne-Marie Earl