

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

Date: September 22, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Monday, September 22, 2014 at St. Leo's Place Community Room on Sullivan Street. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Vice President Shawn Wriede. Secretary Anne-Marie Earl agreed to transcribe the minutes.

Board Members Present: Anne-Marie Earl, Brian Gillies, David Horth, Lynne Leonard, Esther Maltby, Matthew Thomas, Mark Walter (alternate), Shawn Wriede, Mindy Zachary. Linda Fusco and Bob Coltun arrived late due to attending a meeting with the East Greensboro Study Committee.

Board Members Absent: John Mandrano (alternate)

Others Present: Officer Douglas E. Campbell, Raleigh Stout, Pam Grigsby, Stefan-leih Geary

Greensboro Police Department Crime Report: Officer Campbell reported on recent crimes in the neighborhood.

Special Speakers:

Board Member David Horth reviewed the role of board directors based on two documents, which he distributed to the board: Bylaws and *Volunteer Opportunities*. **ACTION ITEM: David Horth to compare documents and recommend changes to *Volunteer Opportunities*.**

Stefan-leih Geary reported on the Municipal Service District. She distributed a document to the board with information on the program, as well as guidelines for how the funds are administered. Our unreserved balance as of January 28, 2014 is \$448,826. \$39,000 has been appropriated for this year. Stefan-leih also distributed the working list of MSD-funded projects for 2014-15, as well as a summary table of proposed actions.

Minutes/Secretary's Report: August minutes were distributed and reviewed, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer Report showed an ending balance of \$6894.99, with \$5,648.06 in the General Fund and the rest in Escrow. A motion was made for the Treasurer to contact the city to get \$2000 reimbursed out of MSD funds for what we spent on Jewell Engineering. The board unanimously agreed. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary to contact the city for reimbursement for the fees paid to Jewell Engineering.**

President's Report: Regarding Leftwich Tunnel, Darlene McClinton is behind schedule, but she has painted the flaps on the neighborhood side and some of the stenciling on the inside of the tunnel. The final floor design for the Monopoly concept has not been submitted. Once it has been submitted, we need to submit it to Hasbro for approval. The task force has discussed a bulletin board, which Andy Ware agreed to build and install for \$325. The task force will decide on this. The board discussed a "No Loitering" sign; however, the consensus was NOT to install one. Linda Fusco continues to have discussions with the property owner at 308 Leftwich about purchasing the property for use as a pocket park.

Andy Ware will submit a proposal for repairing the Little Library when needed.

Our tradesmen's list has been submitted to Preservation Greensboro, and there is a link to it on our website.

Kim Smith with the lighting department for the city has offered the services of a printing crew to paint and straighten the light poles at no cost to Aycock. After the polls are done, we can move forward with replacing the globes.

A cypress tree fell at Max Thompson Bridge, and we are waiting for an estimate for replacement of the tree and some additional pruning from Dunlap.

Mrs. Sarvis, the owner of the car lot property on Summit, repaired her fence; however the slats are wide and we can see the cars from our neighborhood. The board decided not to take any action on the fence at the present time, as it was felt that the property might sell and the problem might fix itself.

Linda added granite curbing to the MSD-Funded Projects list.

Committee Reports:

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Alleyway Issues: Stefan-leih Geary and Linda Fusco are waiting to hear back from Tom Carruthers with the city regarding their legal policy on alleyways being repaired with MSD funds. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary to provide a document to the board containing all information regarding the alleyway issue, as well as the Jewell report.**

Fundraising: ACTION ITEMS: Mindy Zachary to send an email to the neighborhood asking for donations and to continue working on Molly McGinn's fundraising concert.

Historic Preservation: No COAs for Aycok this month.

Newsletter: Linda Fusco is looking for help with the newsletter. **ACTION ITEM: Mindy Zachary and Anne-Marie Earl to help Linda Fusco with the newsletter this quarter.**

Technology: The LISTSERV malfunctioned when it was rebuilt, but Shawn has since repaired it. **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 Aycok website.**

Welcoming: Anne-Marie Earl is taking over this task. **ACTION ITEM: Anne-Marie Earl to assemble welcome baskets and deliver to new Aycok neighbors.**

Special Projects:

Greensboro Neighborhood Congress: Mindy sent the minutes to the board for review.

Community Garden: ACTION ITEMS: Mindy Zachary to price three political signs and Esther Maltby to come up with wording for signs conveying that the community garden plots are for the renters of those plots only.

Old Business:

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

The mural for Leftwich Tunnel: ACTION ITEM: Mark Walter to send his research of the Leftwich Tunnel to Linda Fusco.

Sign at Yanceyville and Bessemer: Nothing to report this month. **ACTION ITEM: If you take pictures of the progress for the tunnel and the sign, send them to Mark Walter or Shawn Wriede and they will post the photos on Facebook.**

New Business:

Vision Statement: David Horth agreed to lead the committee for the vision statement.

Announcements for Aycok:

- Upcoming 2014 Board/Neighborhood Meetings – Oct 27, Dec 1
- Luminarias – Sun, Dec 14, 2014 (Rain Date Sun, Dec 21, 2014) – Sternberger Park
- Energy Conservation Workshop – Sat, September 27, 2014.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:52.

Submitted by,

Anne-Marie Earl