

## HBNA MEETING

Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at Capital City Club, Brookhaven

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Susy Stovin, Lauren Jackson, Bob Connelly, Kevin Quirk, Blake Dexter, Maribett Varner, Mike Elliot, Ruth Skogstad, Lisa Martinez, Brian Ruediger, Mark Roberts, Cathy Boston, Anne Culberson

GUESTS PRESENT: Joel Putterman

President, Lisa Martinez, Called the meeting to order; passed out agendas for the meeting.

Lisa introduced Joel Putterman, a member of Brookhaven MARTA Station development Citizen's Review Board (appointed by Bates Mattison) and president of the Brookhaven Peachtree Alliance. Goals of the current proposed development for the Brookhaven MARTA property are similar to the Lindbergh MARTA Station development- the creation of a transit oriented development. Concepts discussed include connectivity to transit system, decreased auto traffic, increased commercial activity at stations, live and work centers at station (mixed use) and a pedestrian friendly environment. Guiding the vision for the Marta station planning project are the Livable Cities Initiative Vision Plan (LCI), City of Brookhaven, Brookhaven Peachtree Community Alliance, the Brookhaven Peachtree Community Alliance. The Brookhaven Peachtree Overlay ordinance is the current governing zoning ordinance.

Currently, MARTA proposes a mixed use property, designed by architects, Cooper & Cary, and developed by Transwestern . Lauren Jackson disclosed that her husband is an official for the appointed developer for the project, ( Transwestern Development). Transwestern is one of the partners in the development team selected by MARTA as the preferred developer. MARTA will be negotiating with the development team for a detailed master development contract.

Joel is available for questions, concerns, and feedback about the MARTA project, [joelputterman@gmail.com](mailto:joelputterman@gmail.com), 770-778-4444. Marta and the committees will hold more informational meetings as development decisions move forward. Joel states, he will set up a drop box for information on the development for HBNA.

Other future development noted was The City Hall of Brookhaven and the Dekalb County Library. Joel and Lauren Jackson discussed that the City of Brookhaven is the fastest growing city in Georgia.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary, Anne Culberson

August minutes approved as submitted and posted to the HBNA website.

Treasurer, Brian Ruediger

Treasurer's report approved as submitted.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating, Maribett Varner

Volunteers formed the nominating committee (Maribett Varner, Susy Stovin, Cathy Boston, Anne Culberson). Absent board members will be invited to join the committee.

Brookhaven Libretto Partnership, Lauren Jackson

HBNA has committed \$10,000., with promise by the partnership to return \$5,000. (If profit is made) This was agreed upon by vote of the HBNA Board. A link from HBNA website to Libretto LLC and Brookhaven book is planned. Lauren Jackson, Mike Elliot and committee members are soliciting sponsors, currently. Lauren shared a historical map and other information about the plans for the book.

Transportation Committee, Anne Culberson (for Gay Colyer)

Richard Meehan, Director of Public Works at COB and Sameer Patharkar, traffic engineer of Foresite, continue to meet and prioritize the traffic study for the COB. Recommendations will be presented to the transportation committee (HBNA) and then to the appropriate neighbors.

David Stevenson, Anne Culberson, Gordon Anderson, (all adjacent neighbors to the intersection of Winall Down Road and Vermont Road), Howard Shook (Atlanta City Councilman), and Sally Silver (Councilman's assistant and neighborhood liaison) and Gay Colyer met with Watershed Dept. on August 24<sup>th</sup> to review their recommendation for the intersection noted. It was a comprehensive and detailed presentation of their drainage recommendations for the intersection and the area. These recommendations have been sent to Foresite, consultants for HBNA, for review and comment. The transportation committee hopes to have a meeting soon with the neighbors to get their feedback on proposed plans.

Communication and Membership, Mark Roberts, Maribett Varner

Maribett Varner discussed political email distribution by HBNA. No emails that do not include communication for all candidates for a specific office will be distributed by HBNA. HBNA will not send communication for a candidate fundraiser. Discussion to have a link on web page regarding the upcoming election ballot for COB took place.

Maribett requested approval for an updated high resolution HBNA logo. The cost is about \$500. The request was voted on and approved by the board.

Mark Roberts announced, in October, HBNA dues notice (\$100. per household) will be sent to neighbors.

Zoning, Dekalb County, Kevin Quirk

Kevin confirmed that on August 19, the land disturbance request by JLB Partners to the COB was denied. Kevin stated that he met with our attorney to form a HBNA position statement regarding the development. Jill Arnold, attorney, is assisting with the position statement. HBNA Zoning has requested to meet with JLB but no response, thus far. September 18, 2015, is the deadline for JLB to file objection to the Superior Court of Georgia. Kevin will update HBNA after the September 18, deadline.

Fulton County, Cathy Boston

Cathy updated the board on the garage variance request for 3905 Peachtree Dunwoody Road. The

request is deferred 30 days, while home owners review their plans (based on feedback from zoning committee). Cathy will update us by email if committee meets to review more variance requests.

Events, Susy Stovin

October 4, is the Brookhaven neighborhood street party, sponsored by HBNA.

October 19, is tentative date for the bi annual HBNA general membership meeting at Capital City Club.

Old Business

An update on planned monuments is ongoing. There was a brief discussion regarding ATT high speed cable as possible for proposed security monument monitoring system.

Conflict of interest statement requires follow up with Gay C. and Tom H. for further review by the board.

Anne Culberson, Secretary

September 21, 2015