

## **HBNA MEETING**

**Wednesday, May 13, 2015**

Meeting held on May 13, 2015 at Capital City Country Club

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bob Connelly, Maribett Varner, Gay Colyer, Blake Dexter, Lisa Martinez, Brian Ruediger, Mark Roberts, Ruth Skogstad, Susy Stovin, Tom Hicks, Anne Culberson, Mike Elliot

Guests: None Present

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

President, Lisa Martinez

Lisa thanked Susy Stovin and others for their planning and support of the general membership meeting. Suggestions regarding signage, recording attendance, and voting per household were given.

#### **Secretary, Anne Culberson**

April minutes approved

#### **Treasurer, Brian Ruediger**

Brian reported, HBNA continues to be well funded with adequate reserves for the future. The HBNA Board unanimously approved the 2015 budget at our last board meeting. HBNA has received some additional beneficial contributions from film companies filming in the neighborhood.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Transportation, Gay Colyer**

Traffic signage was reinstalled at Stovall Blvd. and Peachtree Dunwoody.

Update on the intersection of Winall Down and Vermont. David Stevenson, an adjacent neighbor and very knowledgeable of this intersection, and Gay C. met on Friday, March 20, with the Atlanta Commissioner of Public Works, Richard Mendoza, and Cotena Alexander, Program Management Officer

for Atlanta Public Works. Sally Silver, member of the Development Review Committee for District 7 (Howard Shook) and past chair of NPU, represented Howard Shook. We updated the Commissioner on the lack of progress in reviewing the 3 concepts for the intersection. Two were presented by our traffic engineers and one by the City of Atlanta traffic engineer. The Commissioner quickly realized how important the drainage issues are to any proposed design. We anticipate the results of the study by the City of Atlanta to be completed by April 30; we anticipated the findings will be presented to the neighborhood.

We also showed a draft of our traffic study to the Commissioner and he is interested in being a part of our proposals for the City of Atlanta side of Historic Brookhaven.

Gay contacted the Commissioner of Parks re property lines of the park at Mayson Park, a conservation park.

Neighbors are reminded that Mayson Park is not to be altered or cleared.

### **Zoning, Dekalb, Mike Elliot (announced resignation from service on zoning committee)**

#### **Zoning Fulton, Cathy Boston (not present)**

Recent JLB HBNA position discussed in zoning committee meeting. Some zoning committee members felt HBNA position did not clearly differentiate from the Concerned Neighbors position statement or criteria. Moving forward the board discussed the following re the Porter Property: 1) R-100 protection 2) speak with COB staff re protection of R-100 3) possibility of amending overlay as protection...when R-100 adjoins the Peachtree Overlay 4) deeded protection by future developer (as discussed with JLB) 5) partner with neighbors to be proactive to future development 6) HBNA form a revised position statement re the future Porter property development

Follow up will take place with Tim Morrison in a meeting (before our next HBNA Board meeting).

#### **Mabry Road Development**

Discussion took place regarding two residential developments on Mabry Road. The primary concern is 3015 and 3035 Mabry Road. Neighbors including Katharine Robey and Mike Elliot have brought this development to board attention. The development will have smallest lots allowed by zoning and involve loss of trees. The density of the lots may not seem in character to those in Historic Brookhaven. The zoning committee representative, Bob Connelly, volunteered to contact the developer to ask questions re the trees, size of house on lot, and character of development. Brookhaven Forest off of Mabry Road was also discussed re lot size, density and character. Mike Elliot, developer, discussed the development and gave board members information and brochures re the development. Bob Connelly will contact the developer to clarify the details of the development and to request an informational meeting.

Fulton County Zoning was discussed. NPU meeting updates were requested. NPU meetings are held last and first Tuesdays at Saint Phillip's Cathedral. Several board members reported interest in Fulton County zoning and perhaps attending as an observer. Bob Connelly reported, three issues currently 1) Angelo Court, side yard variance 2) proposed home at Stovall and Vermont by John Willis Custom Homes requests a variance 3)and an East Brookhaven variance. Bob was asked to give information on proposed new homes near Carter and Club Drive. Bob has no report, thus far. Bob stressed involvement of immediate neighbors in all zoning requests before taking a position.

Discussion took place on the possible conflicts of interest while serving on the HBNA Board.

**Communication, Maribett Varner**

Maribett reported a need to discuss ways to use social media for HBNA. She also requested need to have a minimum of 50 new directories for duplicate order and new neighbors.

Respectfully Submitted, Anne Culberson

Secretary, HBNA