HBNA Minutes November 11, 2015

Attending: Bob Connelly, Kevin Quirk, Gay Colyer, Ruth Skogstad, Haig Kazazian, Brian Ruediger, Maribett Varner, Cathy Boston, Susy Stovin, Mark Roberts

- 1. A slate of officers was presented for 2016.
 - a. Bob Connelly, President
 - b. Anne Culberson, Secretary
 - c. Brian Ruediger, Treasurer

A motion was made and the slate was unanimously approved.

As the incoming President, Bob asked Maribett Varner to re-convene the Nominating Committee to recommend a President-elect. There was discussion that the By-Laws are not clear on this role and it was decided to wait until after the 2016 By-Laws meeting prior to convening the Nominating Committee.

2. The meeting was then called to order by Bob Connelly. Jed Beardsley of the Historic Brookhaven Foundation was guest presenter and gave an update on monuments that are being worked on by the Foundation. Their goal is tackle the intersections at Carter and Peachtree Dunwoody and Winall Down and Peachtree Dunwoody. The Foundation is waiting City of Atlanta to lift their moratorium on sign permits to complete these two intersections. There was a discussion of a need to clean and seal the existing new monuments at a cost of \$150 each. Jed indicated the Foundation would be willing to cover this cost. There was also discussion about existing older monuments in need of repair (specifically Vermont and Brookhaven/W Brookhaven). Bob Connelly offered to invest the cost to present to HBNA. In 2016 the Foundation anticipates additional fundraising for the monuments at Fuller Road and Osborne.

Jed also updated the Board on a number of trees on the "Walgreens Property" that the developer has offered to Historic Brookhaven. Jed is working with the Community Maintenance/Enhancement (CME) committee to arrange the moving of the trees once CME has picked the locations. It was agreed that the Foundation and HBNA would split the cost of moving these trees.

- 3. The minutes from the October meeting were approved with no changes.
- 4. Kevin Quirk presented the City of Brookhaven zoning update. As the lawsuit progresses on the "Hastings" property, HBNA has signed a waiver to allow the "concerned neighbors" who

- are party to the lawsuit to move forward with the attorney that we have both used. Kevin also announced that COB has hired a consultant to do a year-long study of the zoning process in the COB. To that end, the COB has appointed a 12 member citizen committee to work with the consultant and Kevin has been asked to serve on this committee.
- 5. Mark Roberts brought up an issue about the house numbering on West Brookhaven being recorded wrongly in DeKalb Co systems. Cathy Boston reported that a she and another resident have been exploring getting this corrected.
- 6. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. There was also a general discussion about moving \$11,500 to the Foundation. \$10,000 to help with the two sets of monuments on Peachtree Dunwoody and \$1,500 for HBNA's half of moving the trees. There was no vote required because both of these items were already budget line items.
- 7. Gay Colyer presented the Traffic/Transportation committee report. There is still discussion with the neighbors about the Winall Down/Vermont intersection and they are evaluating several options. The committee is continuing to work with Forsyth on "deliverables" from the traffic study. There has been some discussion about some beautification of the island at Peachtree and Club Drive. This should be referred to CME to be involved with.
- 8. Bob Connelly brought up the discussion of cameras in the monuments. He plans to reach out to Mike Elliot to re-price the test so that a fuller discussion can be had at the next meeting.
- 9. Mark Roberts reported that to date we have 406 paid members for 2016. An additional dues reminder will go out shortly.
- 10. A discussion was held about the 2016 directory and whether we wanted to have sponsorships in the directory and it was decided not to do that for the upcoming year.
- 11. Cathy Boston updated the Board on City of Atlanta zoning.
- 12. Bob Connelly offered to host the annual Board party in January.
- 13. Gay Colyer brought up the sales for the Libretto book. They have an deadline coming up when they decide whether to print or not. To date they've only raised about 30% but are still trying to meet the goal. If they decide not to publish, all funds raised will be returned.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30.