

## HBNA MEETING

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kathy Boltwood, Bob Connelly, Susy Stovin, Brian Ruediger, Maribett Varner, Mark Roberts, Carole Simpson, Kevin Quirk, Mike Elliot, Lauren Jackson, Blake Dexter, Anne Culberson

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS:

President, Bob Connelly, called the meeting to order; agendas, previously emailed, were passed out, 8:00a.m.

Secretary, Anne Culberson, presented minutes, previously emailed, to the Board. Minutes for September were approved by the Board.

Treasurer, Brian Ruediger, reports that the HBNA is in strong financial shape, with adequate reserves and all invoices paid through October 18, 2016.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Communication, Mark Roberts, has sent HBNA dues notices to neighbors. Invoices are \$100. for HBNA dues. Several streets have been added to distribution, such as Abington Court, Forest Lane, Brookhaven Walk and Paige Way (at 3700 Peachtree Road).

Maribett Varner discussed updating the HBNA website. She has contacted other neighborhood organizations and received information.

Nominating, Maribett Varner, presented three names for the slate of new Board members (and five returning Board members). All approved for vote at the November 7, 2016, general membership meeting. There are still board vacancies available. Current needs discussed were zoning, marketing, and traffic committees. The slate is to post 10 days prior to general meeting. Orientation for new board members was discussed. Each committee chair is asked to write a description of committee's function.

Events, Susy Stovin, presented details for general membership meeting at 6:30, November 7, at Capital City Country Club. Wine and cheese served at 6:30, and meeting at 7 pm. Topics and issues suggested for agenda are Marta development, Zoning (Hastings – Porter property), CCTV security cameras and possible traffic issues (from Peachtree Road development and Movie production). It was suggested to invite councilman, Howard Shook, as a guest. Mark Roberts will be at the welcoming table to greet and promote HBNA membership.

CCTV, Mike Elliot, continues to ask for support from The Atlanta Police Foundation, Howard Shook, and HBNA for CCTV cameras at Club Drive and Peachtree. Support from The HBNA Board was expressed. Currently, Winall Down monuments are being rebuilt. Request for Carter

Drive monument permits are in progress. Carole Simpson reports, Vermont Park monument needs repair; Carole will follow up re repair.

Transportation, Gay Colyer (absent) but sent a report by email. Bob Connelly reported to the board re transportation as well. As background from Gay Colyer, the Foresite Group (Sameer) submitted an initial traffic report (posted to HBNA website) of a general description of his findings. He is in the process of developing a more detailed draft of the study for most roads in the neighborhood. Plans to set up meetings with effected and interested neighbors are proposed for review, feedback, and specific planning. Based on these meetings, the traffic committee will report back to the board their recommendations for The City of Brookhaven and The City of Atlanta. The detailed report and neighbor feedback will be available to both cities. Some board members expressed support for a traffic calming plan for the intersection of Brookhaven and East Brookhaven. There was discussion of a rounded island or other traffic calming tools put in place.

The board expressed support for a final report from Foresight and to move forward as soon as possible. Traffic issues are of immediate concern to the board. Bob Connelly reports, the neighbors on Winall Down and Vermont Roads have a plan for drainage. Bob Connelly plans to communicate this to Howard Shook, Councilman. (Copy of plan is available from Bob Connelly.)

Marta development at Peachtree and Dresden Roads is of concern to HBNA.

Current increase in filming in the neighborhood has led to traffic issues and neighbor impact. Ways to make the filming process go more smoothly were discussed. The HBNA has limited power to control the current neighbor objections but will continue to explore solutions.

Zoning, Kevin Quirk, reports, Hastings-Porter property is still in appeal due to zoning issues. Current head of ZBA for COB is Jed Beardsley. The construction at 2743 Mabry Road receives no objection by the HBNA Board (for zoning variance). Letter sent to ZBA for COB from zoning committee.

Bob Connelly reports, update from resident's construction at Club Drive and East Brookhaven Drive. No violations re construction and near completion.

Mike Elliot and others reported on Marta development. Mike Elliot encouraged all to review information on COB website re Marta development and attend Marta meetings posted. Mike also sent the board "31 Questions re the Marta Brookhaven development". (Notify a board member for a copy of the email.) Other issues such as sewer capacity, bonds, green space, etc., continue to be discussed by COB and developers. Board members (Blake Dexter, Kevin Quirk, Mike Elliot) plan to meet to discuss impact on the HBNA neighbors. Then contact COB for help with traffic issues, such as cut through traffic (especially at East Brookhaven, Brookhaven, West Brookhaven, and adjoining corridors).

CME, chair Carole Simpson reports, drought has taken a negative effect on Brookhaven green spaces. Lauren Jackson and Cathy Boltwood requested clean up at Carter Drive micropark and review of needs at other microparks. Water meters have been requested through the City for parks at East Brookhaven and West Brookhaven. Ninety days has lapsed since request. CME committee asked by board to get three bids for neighborhood maintenance (for 2017) and review needs for micropark clean up. Contact Carole Simpson ([csimpsongarden@gmail.com](mailto:csimpsongarden@gmail.com)) for CME concerns.

Submitted by Anne Culberson, Secretary  
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