

HBNA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

17 June 2021

Capital City County Club

Board members present: Cathy Boston, Mark Bryson, Shelby Cobb, Bob Connelly, Rebecca Harvill, Gene Hooff, Wade McKenzie, Tom Mallory, Mark Roberts, Susy Stovin, Maribett Varner.

Board members absent: Christy Campbell, Anne Culberson, Cathy Iannotti, Brian Ruediger, Courtney Schickel, Carole Simpson, Ruth Skogstad.

Opening: Board President Susy Stovin called the meeting to order at 8:00AM. Susy advised that she had nothing new to report. **Approval of the May Minutes** was deferred until a quorum was present. At such time, Mark Roberts made the motion to approve the May Minutes, Bob Connelly seconded, and the Minutes were unanimously approved. **Treasurer Brian Ruediger** submitted the Balance Sheet (as of June 14) and Actuals vs. Budget prior to the meeting and confirmed that, "As of June 2021, the Historic Brookhaven Neighborhood Association continues to maintain strong financial health."

Committee Reports:

Transportation: Shelby presented a summary of Committee activity since the last Board meeting. Topics included an update from COA Department of Watershed Management who is conducting individual meetings with homeowners who have expressed concerns or had questions about the initial drainage solutions map, the "Adopt-a-Drain" initiative for COA residents, and the forthcoming neighborhood-wide email asking residents to refrain from sending yard waste down the storm drains and to keep them clear of yard debris and leaf bags. This three-point plan is organized, in part, by the Transportation and the Beautification / Maintenance Committees. Regarding the neighborhood speeding and disregard for posted signage problem, the "Let's Crawl Y'all" email was sent out for a second time towards the end of May. More recently, the HBNA Board of Directors sent an email to all residents with serious messaging about the persistent unlawful misbehavior on our neighborhood streets. Response received from neighbors to date has been 100% positive. Shelby also reported that her ATL 311 requests are slowly being taken care of by COA.

Cameras: Tom informed the Board that there are *still* irregularities in data collection from the cameras. He has complained to our camera partnering groups. Mark R. noted that we have not been receiving invoices, and it was agreed by all present that there will be no further payments until these lapses in data collection are resolved.

Communications: Maribett put out a call for feature articles and informational articles for the forthcoming September newsletter which is planned for distribution before the September 17th Street Party. Everyone is asked to submit articles or ideas in June and July, as the newsletter will be composed in August.

Historic Brookhaven Foundation: Mark R. reminded the Board that \$15,000 remains in the HBF coffer. It was agreed that since the Foundation will no longer be a working entity, the \$15,000 could be used to cover some of the costs of entryway monuments being rebuilt, cleaned, and sealed, in addition to the money already earmarked in the budget for that initiative. Mark offered to take a count of the number of monuments needing to be rebuilt. He also noted that we now have 757 members in the neighborhood association which is about thirty more above our previous number.

Beautification / Maintenance: Carole advised that she had nothing new to report other than the Committee's storm drain clean-up effort with the Transportation Committee.

Sponsorship: Ruth could not attend the meeting and did not send an update.

Film: Gene shared that there is no current filming in the neighborhood, but that activity is picking up, post-Covid, in the ATL area.

Events: Rebecca announced that the Street Party will be on September 17th and that she is beginning to contract with vendors, etc., for the event. Cathy brought forth the idea of a new neighbor party. After some discussion, it was decided that it would be beneficial to new neighbors and existing neighbors to have a **New Neighbor / General Meeting** on the same evening. **October 18th** was selected as the date and Rebecca offered to work with the Club to reserve the rooms needed. It was suggested that the event begin at 5:30 or 6:00 with an hour for cocktails and light bites, followed by the HBNA General Meeting.

Zoning: Mark B. said there was nothing to report from **Dekalb**, but several projects were noted, such as the roundabout construction still going on at Osborne and Windsor, and the improvements slated for Ashford Dunwoody in the St. Martin's area and the Peachtree Industrial / Ashford Dunwoody corner "realignment" for traffic flow improvement. Cathy noted that there was not much to report from **Fulton**, though a brief discussion of Buckhead City prospects ensued. Susy reported that Fox Brothers restaurant is moving into Windsor Station.

Closing: There being no further business, the June meeting adjourned at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted by Shelby Cobb for Anne Culberson, 18 June 2021.