**Historic Brookhaven Neighborhood Association**

**Fall General Meeting**

**17 October 2022**

**Gable Hall, St. Martin’s Episcopal Church**

**Notes compiled from a recording by Secretary Ann Culberson**

**Opening:** Following a lively meet and greet hospitality time arranged by Events Chairman Rebecca Harvill, HBNA Board President Maribett Varner welcomed all to the Fall General Meeting at 7:00pm. The following reports were heard:

**Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer Mark Bryson presented HBNA financials, noting that the greatest expenses for HBNA are the camera system and our community enhancement and maintenance efforts. The Board recently voted to increase HBNA dues by $50 to $200 annually. Current membership stands at 750 households.

**Transportation Committee:** Chairman Shelby Cobb discussed the forthcoming North Buckhead Storm Drain Project. The six-million-dollar project will commence in January 2023. Phase One will take place on a portion of Club Drive near West Brookhaven Drive and Winall Down Road. Our point person will be CIO Kinesia Cato at the COA’s Department of Watershed Management. Several site and Zoom meetings were held between Commissioner Mikita Browning and other Watershed personnel, project engineer Bill Douty, and impacted neighbors to explain and discuss the project phases and answer everyone’s questions and concerns.

**HBNA Board of Directors:** President Maribett Varner presented the following slate, approved by HBNA members present:

**Current Directors Elected for Another Term:** Mark Roberts, Cathy Boston, Anne Culberson, Gene Hooff, Rebecca Harvill, Mark Bryson, Tom Mallory, and Shelby Cobb.

**New First-Term Directors:** Kevin Dwyer (Carter Drive), Julia Lanese (West Brookhaven Drive), and Jamie Lawson (Club Drive).

**New Officers for 2023:** President-Elect, Mark Bryson; Treasurer, Mark Bryson; Secretary, Courtney Schickel**.**

**Guest Speakers:**  **City of Brookhaven Police Department Officer Carlai Moore, City of Brookhaven Mayor John Ernst, and Brookhaven Councilwoman Madeleine Simmons.**

Officer Carlai Moore spoke about Operation Plug and the value of our Flock cameras and homeowner camerasin fighting and solving crime nationwide. She explained that COB and COA officers do not monitor homeowner cameras 24/7, but they do use that resource when an incident has occurred.Officer Moore also spoke to the challenge of repeat offenders. She reminded us when calling 911 to announce one’s city in order to direct one’s call to the properauthorities when reporting suspicious activity.

**Brookhaven Mayor John Ernst and Councilwoman Simmons touched on the following topics:**

HBNA members were encouraged to visit the City of Brookhaven website.

The use of technology to fight crime.

The City Center Master Plan.

The proposed construction of a new City Hall on part of the Brookhaven MARTA property.

Traffic and road improvement projects.

Renovations at Brookhaven Park.

Drive-in restaurant traffic regulations for 2023.

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