

## HBNA JULY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

18 July 2024

### Capital City Club

**Board members present:** Christy Campbell, Shelby Cobb, Bob Connelly, Anne Culberson, Rebecca Harvill, John Higley, Gene Hooff, Justine Regnier (phone), Mark Roberts, Maribett Varner, Steve Wakely.

**Board members absent:** Cathy Boston, Mark Bryson, Kevin Dwyer, Julia Lanese, Jamie Lawson, Tom Mallory, Julie Train.

**Opening:** In President Mark Bryson's absence, Treasurer Steve Wakely called the July meeting to order at 8:10am. No **President's Report**. There being a quorum present, Maribett made the motion to approve the June Minutes with a second from Shelby. **The June Minutes were unanimously approved.** Steve emailed the **Treasurer's Report** ahead of the meeting and noted that all is in good order for now. The CME project costs were built in and Callahan Landscaping work / cleanup has been completed at Mayson Ravine and Vermont Park. Steve will miss the August meeting, so 2025 budget considerations will be discussed at the September 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Mark R. added that invoices for 2025 dues will go out to residents the second-third week of October and noted that the likely dues increase will need to be proposed and approved in September. Given our budget considerations for the remainder of 2024, Mark also suggested that the Fall Newsletter could easily be a virtual one emailed to his database. The Board could budget funds for 2025 Spring and Fall printed newsletters. That plan was generally agreed upon in order to save money. There will be an explanation of the dues increase in the Fall Newsletter.

**Cameras:** No report.

**Zoning Dekalb:** John reported that there are no new applications and that the homeowner of the previously discussed home on Mabry at Wimberly has been notified that he needs to clean up his yard while he awaits the results of his zoning request.

**Zoning Fulton:** Bob reported that 4081 Club Drive has applied for a pool permit, despite the very shallow lot and position in the flood plain. NPU-B is not in favor, but the application process will play out.

**Transportation Committee:** Shelby sent her brief report out prior to the meeting, noting specific items on the North Buckhead Storm Drain Project punch list that subcontractors are taking care of. The final item will be the clean out of the new Vermont triangle and its preparation for fall planting by Callahan Landscaping. The budget for that project has been approved.

**CME:** Christy's detailed, pre-sent report brings the Board up to date on the status of June and July projects, including the completed cleanup of Mayson Ravine, Vermont Park, neighbor donations for Vermont triangle, the anticipated cleanup by COA of the north section of Mayson Ravine, the culvert repair at Vermont, and projects for the 2025 CME budget for which she is gathering costs. Christy added that park neighbors have reacted positively to the efforts to

cleanup and are reminding their landscapers not to blow yard debris into the parks. New Time Capsule plaque will be ordered for 2025 budget.

**Code Enforcement: Properties:** There followed a general discussion of code enforcement and how to deal with unkept properties, sometimes causing safety issues for drivers and blights for neighbors. Anne suggested a call to Howard Shook's office to learn which city office handles code enforcement. Bob suggested that we add the contact number for code enforcement and a brief description of what kind of complaints can be reported to the office to our 2025 HBNA Directory and Mark agreed to that plan. Bob will sort through the following and determine what one best number and contact name needs to be in the 2025 Directory:

NPU-connection Officer Joseph Young: 470-694-1236

General Code Enforcement: 404-546-3800 Supervisor Kanzada Wimberly 404-546-3868.

Post-meeting, John Higley supplied the following contact for City of Brookhaven:

City of Brookhaven Code Enforcement: Keith Colquitt, Manager 404 637-0570. Mr. Colquitt advised that residents should report signs placed in the right of way to Code Enforcement. He advises that we not remove them, just place them flat on the ground and that his team is happy to call or write the advertiser and tell them to stop placing signs.

**Events:** The annual Street Party will take place on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. The Fall General Meeting will be held at CCC on Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup> (confirmed post-meeting). Times TBD. Budget confirmation is \$6,100 for the street party. After seven years of events planning, Rebecca has Justine shadowing her efforts in order for Justine to take the reins in 2025. Mark asked Rebecca for a write-up on the street party with pictures by the end of August.

**NPU-B Update:** Anne and Bob reported that the COA is rewriting the zoning code, allowing for more housing by subdividing R-4 lots (as ours are). This would allow more opportunity for a garage apartment or pool house to be rented. An invitation to attend our Fall Meeting may be extended to someone in the office of COA zoning. Anne will pursue. Mark will send email to neighborhood regarding the current "comment period" and how to send a comment. Anne will be in touch with Rebecca King at NPU-B regarding a speaker for the Fall General Meeting. A notice in the Fall Newsletter and a separate email was advised in order to fully alert residents to the zoning issue.

**Nominating Committee:** Mark B. will need to form a Nominating Committee to meet in August and put out a call for Board nominations. Nominees will be voted upon at the Fall Meeting.

**BCN Update:** No report.

**Film Committee:** Gene stated there has been no further activity since the one visit from a scout in June.

**Communications:** Mark R. reiterated his suggestion about an emailed Fall Newsletter due to budget considerations (see Opening section). Residents who have unsubscribed will not receive

it, but it will be posted on our website. The data base is not member specific. Two print editions will be budgeted for in 2025. Fall Newsletter content meeting will follow the Board meeting today.

**New Business:** There was a general discussion of the CCC overgrown hedge. Board members agreed that no further comment from the Board is warranted. COA code enforcement should be the entity to determine if the Club has violated right of ways, presented safety issues, etc. Gene and Maribett made the good point that only Mark B., as President, has the authority to speak for the Board on such matters. The HBNA Board has no enforcement capability.

**Closing:** There being no further business, the July meeting adjourned at 9:05am.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelby Cobb for Maribett Varner

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