

Minutes -HBNA Board Meeting
Thursday, November 16, 2023
Capitol City Club

Attending: Mark Bryson, John Higley, Tom Mallory, Steve Wakely, Shelby Cobb, Carole Simpson, Christie Campbell, Maribett Varner, Julia Lanese, Justine Regnier, Rebecca Harvill, Mark Roberts, Bob Connelly

Absent: Anne Culberson, Gene Hooff, Julie Train, Jamie Lawson, Cathy Boston, Kevin Dwyer

President Mark Bryson called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. He began by welcoming new members to the Board: John Higley, Steve Wakely, Justine Regnier and Julie Train. He also distributed a list of current committees and members of each committee. Mark asked that he be informed if there are any changes in membership to the committees.

The Minutes from the October General Meeting had been distributed previously. Bob Connelly moved to accept the minutes and it was seconded by John Higley. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

Steve Wakely presented the treasurers report and the financials through October 2023 were approved. There was a discussion on the final budget for 2024. We don't have the final estimate from Callahan's Landscape service but we agreed to increase their monthly maintenance budget to \$2,500/month. With that change, Bob Connelly made a motion to accept the 2024 budget and it was seconded by Maribett Varner. The motion passed unanimously.

Tom Mallory presented a report on the Flock surveillance cameras. As of yet we have not been informed of any price increase for 2024. The approved 2024 budget includes a 20% increase in the cost of the cameras to cover a potential rate change. He mentioned that the system at Club Drive and Peachtree has been offline due to construction in that area but it will be restored now that the bulk of the construction is close to completion

John Higley gave a COB Zoning update. Nothing major on the docket but he will be monitoring the Morrison Farms property to see what the next proposed development is. He also will be attending the Planning Meetings for COB.

Bob Connelly gave an update on COA zoning. We are waiting for the next steps on the Angelo Court construction to see if the NPU recommendation is adopted. Maribett Varner reported on a meeting that she attended with Cathy Boston to review Canterbury's plans to demolish 3 houses they own on Vermont Drive and make enhanced green space in that area. Cathy is also planning to explore what type of agreement we might create with Canterbury to prevent further development on that property.

Shelby Cobb reported for the Transportation Committee that we are close to the end of the watershed project. Hopefully all will be completed by Q1 2024. She completed the COA departments on their communication with her and others and the contiguous neighbors for their forbearance. Transportation will examine the request for traffic calming on the north part of Mabry Road in early 2024.

Carole Simpson discussed the parameters of working with neighbors on the parks in our neighborhood. She's looking for "watch partners" to monitor each major park and communicate with the rest of the Committee on things that need doing. Additionally, she proposed a meeting with the neighbors near Vermont Park who are interested in helping out with the Park to coordinate efforts with the Beautification Committee.

Mark Roberts reported that as of this date we have an initial membership response of 425.

Mark Roberts also said that Communications will be meeting in December to begin working on the next newsletter.

The New Neighbors committee has a new chairperson, Julie Train. She and her committee are re-energizing how to welcome new members into the neighborhood.

Rebecca Harvill reported that the next Board meeting will be by January 18th. Location TBD. We plan a Board get-together in January and Mark Bryson tentatively offered his house again. Rebecca will determine the best date and let us know.

New Business: There was a brief discussion about the Women of Historic Brookhaven. Although separate from HBNA, there was expression of appreciation to Justine Regnier and others for taking the initiative to organize this group and HBNA will continue to support them as needed.

There was also an expression of appreciation to Bob Connelly for his work on getting our last monuments constructed.

Respectfully submitted by Maribett Varner on 11/21/23.