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Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) MINUTES

Thurs. June 20, 2019 6:00pm CITY HALL CONF. RM. 337

200 West Fifth Street Greenville, NC 27835-7207

BOARD MEMBERS AND ALTERNATE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Attendance is denoted by an "*" and absentees are denoted by an "x"

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS				
NAME	DISTRICT		NAME	DISTRICT
Carolyn Glast - *	1		Garrie Moore - x	1
Barbara Murray - *	2		Joyce Williams - *	2
Ann Maxwell, Chair - *	3		Ann Hamze - *	3
Susan Vickery-Mercer - x	4		Judy Bernhardt, V. Chair-x	4
Sharon Stang - *	5		Brenda Diggs - *	5
NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBERS				
NAME	DISTRICT		NAME	DISTRICT
Margaret Hrushesky - *	1		Joe Busby - *	4
Joyce Staton - *	2		Charles Martin - x	5
Vacant	3			

City Staff Present: Chantae Gooby, Chief Planner; Camillia Smith, Board Secretary

Neighborhood Representatives and/or Liaisons Present: Gregory Tucker, Riverdale; Alise Rowan, Lakewood Pines; LaVonne Moore, Brookhaven Estates; Freddie and Lillian Outerbridge, Red Oak; Carol and Todd Savitt, Lake Ellsworth; Vickie and Vincent Whitehurst, Forest Hills, Addison Cox, Colonial Heights; Greg Gagnon, Brookridge; Don Cavellini, Cambridge; Dedan Waciuri, _______????

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Ann Maxwell, Chair
- **2. ROLL CALL**: Camillia Smith, Board Secretary A quorum was established.

3. MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Joe Busby to approve the minutes and seconded by Carolyn Glast. Motion approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 16, 2019, minutes was made by Joyce Williams and 2nd by Ann Hamze.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS - LIMIT 3 MINUTES EACH

There were no public comments.

7. OLD BUSINESS

Riverdale Neighborhood Update

Through the efforts of the NAB and the Police Department, the Riverdale Neighborhood Association has been established and officially recognized by the city. Carolyn Johnson Fields has been appointed as their liaison to the Neighborhood Advisory Board.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Important Reasons to Have an Organized Neighborhood Association

"Negotiating with Developers" - presentation by Sharon Stang

Mrs. Stang shared the history of the numerous times Carolina East Neighborhood dealt with developers quest to rezone property bordering her neighborhood to "Heavy Commercial". The presentation included an aerial and parcel map of the Carolina East neighborhood and a handout detailing the events that transpired. By negotiating directly with the developer CENA and the developer came to a Win-Win agreement.

"Neighborhood Improvement Grants" - Chantae Gooby, Chief Planner

Ms. Gooby shared the following information:

- a. To be eligible, the neighborhood has to be in good standing with the City of Greenville: Requirements include: Neighborhood Association must meet 2x a year, have approved bylaws on file with the city, and have elected officers.
- b. Neighborhood Grants are awarded twice a year......Spring and Fall
- c. An eligible neighborhood can receive up to a \$750 grant
- d. The proposed neighborhood project must benefit the entire neighborhood
- e. Paper applications can be picked up from Community Development Department or submitted online

Police Liaison assignments - Ann Maxwell and board members

The Greenville Police Department's Civic Liaison Initiative aims to create partnerships between community members and police. Individual officers within the police department serve as liaisons to neighborhood/homeowners associations. These officers attend all NA/HOA meetings. If your neighborhood does not have an assigned officer, contact Chief Holtzman. If your officer is not a good fit, a request for a replacement will be honored.

Election of Neighborhood Advisory Board by District

There are ten (10) board members on the NAB, two (2) from each district. Board members are elected on alternating years. One board member in each district term had

expired. The election results are as follows:

District 1 - Carolyn Glast

Carolyn Johnson, Alternate

District 2 - Joyce Williams

Joyce Staton, Alternate

District 3 - Ann Hamze

Addison Cox. Alternate

District 4 - Alise Rowan

Vickie Whitehurst, Alternate

District 5 - Sharon Stang

(Vacant), Alternate

Input Sessions from Liaisons and neighborhood guests - Chantae Gooby

Ms. Gooby requested each District to list: What do you value most about your neighborhood?

District 1: High percent of residents are senior citizens

District 2: Friendly

District 3: Central location; Established neighborhood; Walkable; Opportunities and Resources through ECU; Peaceful

District 4: Stable neighborhood; Beautiful neighborhood in a natural setting; Good location

District 5: Tree lined streets; Wide roads with curb and gutter; good percentage of owner occupied homes, compact neighborhood

Ms. Gooby then requested each District to list: What support does your neighborhood need from the city?

District 1: A pharmacy North of Tar River; Pothole repair; Improved flood control plan; Sidewalks on busy streets; Completion of Westpointe Park

District 2: Complete gaps in sidewalks; More speed bumps; Safer way to cross Hooker Road; Support from Walmart to retrieve discarded shopping carts

District 3: A written notice sent to the officers of a Neighborhood/Homeowners Association when a rezoning request affects that neighborhood.

District 4: Sinkhole prevention; Better street lighting; More speed bumps; Improved culvert work, Sidewalks on Evans Street

District 5: Vigorous code enforcement; Consistent accident site clean up by tow companies

The last question Ms. Gooby asked: What are city topics that you would like to know more about?

- District 1: Why does it take so long to repair potholes? What are the future plans for flood control in neighborhoods north of the Tar River?
- District 2: Education on "How Code Enforcement works"; Share how taxes are used
- District 3: How does the online app for searching of permits, rezoning and board of adjustment requests work?
- District 4: Which streets are maintained by DOT and which are City maintained? What is the plan for additional bike lanes and greenways? How are traffic flow studies conducted and how are decisions made? What is happening with Dickinson Ave from 14th street westward?
- District 5: Overview of Code Enforcement; Education on the connection between the City and Greenville Utilities; When will the widening/repair of South Evans Street between Greenville Blvd. and Firetower Road be accomplished?

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ann Maxwell - *Human Trafficking Presentation* - July 25, 2019 Shepperd Memorial Library 6-8 pm

Freddie and Lillian Outterbridge - **Sycamore Hill Gateway Plaza Groundbreaking Ceremony** - June 24, 2019, Greenville Town Common 6 pm

Margaret Hrushesky - *Westpointe Park Ribbon-cutting and Park dedication* - June 25, 2019 3575 Stantonsburg Road 5:30 pm

Brenda Diggs - *Popsicles in the Park* The Oaks Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting - June 29, 2019 Alice Keene Park 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Don Cavellini - *Juneteenth Celebration - West Greenville Community Unity Block Party!* - June 22, 2019 Thomas Foreman Park 11am - 3 pm

Ann Maxwell - Encourage your neighborhood to participate in the *Adopt-a- City Street* Program. Contact Holly Parrott, RECYCLING COORDINATOR (252) 329-4048

Email: HPARROTT@GREENVILLENC.GOV

Alise Rowan - Drive down the new **10th Street Connector** and take in the beautiful streetscape.

10. July 2019 NAB Meeting

A motion to cancel our July meeting was made by Carolyn Glast and 2nd by Brenda Diggs. The motion passed.

11. Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ann Hamze and 2nd by Carolyn Glast. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Stang
District 5 Board Member