



**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD
SUMMARY MINUTES
Thursday, January 17, 2013 @ 6:30 PM
City Hall Conference Rm. 337
200 WEST FIFTH STREET**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Members present are denoted by an "*" and members absent are denoted by an "x".

NAME	DISTRICT	NAME	DISTRICT
Carolyn Glast *	1	Kim Carney, Vice Chair -*	1
Betty Hines *	2	David Douglas x	2
Ann Maxwell, Chair *	3	Vince Bellis *	3
Scott Hucks *	4	Caroline Doherty *	4
VACANT	5	Brenda Diggs *	5

ALTERNATE MEMBERS, LIAISONS & OTHER GUESTS:

Sharon Stang (Carolina East); and Lisa Wilbourne (Eastwood)

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Seth Laughlin, Planner/Interim Neighborhood Liaison/Ombudsman (CDD); Gwen Turnage, Administrative Assistant (CDD) and Cpt. Hardy (GPD)

MEETING AGENDA, DISCUSSION, AND ACTIONS:

- I. **ROLL CALL** - A quorum was established
- II. **A MOTION TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 15, 2012 MINUTES**

Motion: Vince Bellis
Second: Carolyn Glast

MOTION PASSED unanimously.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. **Welcome** - NAB Chair

Ann Maxwell noted that she will have a meeting with the Police Chief in the near future to discuss items for the symposium.

- 2. **Special Report** - Dr. Hur

- Dr. Misun Hur spoke on Social Network Analysis in Asset-based Community Development as a tool for community building which is a case study with the Greenville Latino/Hispanic Community.
- Will the topic coincide with the 2013 Annual Neighborhood Symposium
- Other items of discussion:
 - NAB worried the geographic locations of the research sample because the majority of Latino/Hispanic residents live outside of the city limit.
 - NAB agreed on its applicability and potential of the research method for future community building project.
 - The NAB accepted the idea of the research.
 - Mr. Juvencio Rocha Peralta was asked to join February's NAB meeting to explain further about the research.

3. Vince Bellis – Rental Registry

A MOTION THAT THE NAB ENDORSES THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A RENTAL REGISTRY FOR THE CITY OF GREENVILLE

Discussion:

- Ms. Diggs wanted to know the definition of rental registry? Rick Smiley and Vince Bellies provided a definition of what they believed rental registry was.
- Seth Laughlin, Interim Neighborhood Liaison Ombudsman proposed to the board that staff prepare a resolution, and the board endorse that resolution supporting rental registry. The chair of the NAB will sign the resolution.
- The NAB wanted to make sure that said resolution be submitted respectfully to the City Council.

Motion: Vince Bellis
 Second: Caroline Doherty

MOTION PASSED unanimously.

4. Update on Upcoming Projects - NAB Chair

- Would like the board to get neighborhoods involved in projects to build neighborhoods. New associations will likely develop from this endeavor.
- Incorporate pictures of various projects to use at the 2013 Symposium
- Community Tree Day, February 9, 2013 @9:00AM – noon. This event is sponsored by RELIEF and the City of Greenville; working together to purchase and plant trees throughout the City. This event will begin at River Park North. The planting of the trees will be in East and West Meadowbrook.
- Encourage children from Wahl-Coates Elementary School to participate. Ann Maxwell's daughter has agreed to work with parents from the school and the children to encourage them to participate.
- Board members can send pictures of the Tree Day digitally to Mr. Laughlin and he will print them for the 2013 Symposium.

- Those interested in participating may sign up during NAB meeting and their contact information will be forwarded to Kevin Heifferon.

5. Discuss Picture This/NAB Symposium - NAB Chair & Brenda Diggs

- *Plan date and time for Symposium* – Board members will send an email to Mr. Laughlin immediately indicating their availability for the symposium in May. No date was established during the meeting. TBA at the next NAB meeting.
- *Board suggestions, ideas and assignments*
 - Event Planning Committee
 - ☺ Volunteers: Brenda Diggs-Chair, Carolyn Glast, Kim Carney, & Betty Hines, Vince Bellis, Dr. Hur, and Sharon Stang.
 - Ms. Diggs recommended that the board use the same concept/title from last year's symposium - "Imagine! United Neighborhoods".
 - Election of officers will be take place at the symposium during lunch.
 - The board briefly discussed the outline of the symposium.

6. Public Comment Period

- Post copies of minutes online to review
- Recommended book reading, "High Cost of Free Parking" by Donald Shoup, for those involved in parking issues downtown.
- Does the NAB have a City Council liaison?
- Has the board seen emails that ask "How to set up a community watch website"?
- Consideration of having an ECU representative on the board to represent the university community subject to the board's approval of this suggestion.
- Caroline Doherty selling Girl's Scout Cookies
- Caroline Doherty would also like to thank Brenda Diggs for mentioning her husband's dentist office – Bernstein Community Health Center, and all the wonderful things he's doing for the community.
- Raj Jagad mentioned that Greenville has a new Community Center, directed by Walter Strathy located in the old Third Street School facilities. STRIVE has moved in this Community Center thus far. He is not sure if projected are limited to the West Greenville community for the use the facility.
- Raj Jagad, mentioned that he and the president of the neighborhood association for Crestwood Subdivision were unsuccessful with locating a copy of the 2001 by-laws from the Police Department. Raj Jagad also mentioned that he contacted Dave Holec and he sent him a map that showed the boundaries of Riverdale Neighborhood Association, but no by-laws. He is attending the NAB meetings and this neighborhood that does not have by-laws. This is the reason he stopped attending the NAB meetings. He was advised by several board members to ask Dave Holec how to draft a new set of by-laws.

- How many neighborhood associations currently are in existence?

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Scott Hucks
Second: Carolyn Glast

MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Laughlin, Interim
Neighborhood Liaison/Ombudsman
Community Development Department