



NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD

SUMMARY MINUTES

Thursday, May 16, 2013 @ 6:30 PM

City Hall Gallery Area
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 x	1	Kim Carney, Vice Chair *	1
Betty Hines *	2	David Douglas x	2
Ann Maxwell, Chair *	3	Laura McKenna *	3
Lisa Wilbourne *	4	Caroline Doherty *	4
Sharon Stang *	5	Brenda Diggs *	5

ALTERNATE MEMBERS & LIAISONS:

NAME	DISTRICT	NAME	DISTRICT
Traci Eley	1	Peg Gemperline	4
Vince Bellis	3	Misun Hur	5

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Seth Laughlin, Planner II (CDD); Gwen Turnage, Administrative Assistant (CDD); and Merrill Flood, Director of Community Development

I. **ROLL CALL** - A quorum was established

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL CALL MEETING – April 18, 2013**

Motioned: Caroline Doherty Second: Brenda Diggs

III. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Reflection on Third Annual Neighborhood Symposium "*Imagine! United Neighborhoods*" held on May 4, 2013

- Brenda Diggs, Chair of Symposium planning committee, shared some observations after a debriefing session held with the planning committee following the Symposium:

GENERAL COMMENTS

- Good pre-event coverage in the Greenville Daily Reflector
- PSA sent for Go Family Guide, but information was not included
- Best organized NAB Symposium ever
- Pictures from neighborhood association events should be emailed to the board quarterly for future symposiums/events
- Not posted on City of Greenville main Web-site

- Lead article in Greenville Daily Reflector following the event
 - Very well received by the public
 - Brenda Diggs, presented Ann Maxwell with an certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the committee which was overlooked on the day of the symposium
 - Specific incidences were noted which indicated to the committee a lack of support and general enthusiasm for volunteer efforts to execute a city sponsored public event
2. Discussion of NAB election results held on May 4, 2013
- The following people were elected to the board
 - Laura McKenna, District 3 – board Member
 - Lisa Wilbourne , District 4 – board Member
 - Sharon Stang, District 5 – board Member
 - Traci Eley, District 1 – Alternate Board Member
 - Lennard Naipaul, District 2 – Alternate Board Member
 - Vince Bellis, District 3 – Alternate Board Member
 - Blythe Tennent, District 4 – Alternate Board Member
 - Misun Hur, District 5 – Alternate Board Member
 - Merrill Flood, Director of Community Development Department explained alternate board membership and liaison membership.
 - The master list needs to be updated to call members when it's time to vote
 - It's important to have all liaisons and alternates present during the election
3. Discussion of NAB bylaw language and the request by the Greenville City Council
- Report with official changes to the ordinance are due to City Council in August 2013
 - NAB should have made progress with changes to the ordinance in writing before the June meeting. Council does not meet in July.
 - NAB does not officially have bylaws. The NAB has “Rules and Procedures” as their guide.
 - NAB requested to change both the ordinance and bylaws at the same time
 - NAB chair suggested that board members take the current bylaws home, and review at the same time they review the ordinance.
 - Merrill Flood, Director of Community Development stressed the importance to the board of them working directly on the ordinance at this time
 - Seth will e-mail members of the NAB the document which the board has been using as their bylaws.
 - Is it possible for the NAB to make a suggestion to City Council to request to meet with the liaisons in their districts once a year to get a report of what they are doing in their neighborhoods
 - Suggested that district meetings be called by the City Council representative in the prospective district quarterly inviting the general public. An election could be held during this time
 - Every neighborhood and homeowner's association should have something in writing
 - A representative from the West Greenville Community has agreed to contact all the neighborhood association president's and report back to Ann Maxwell, chair of NAB
 - It was stated that the political reasons the neighborhood associations was formed by the districts were to gain minority participation throughout the city.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

4. Public Comment Period

- Why is there no council member appointed to the NAB? NAB is not an appointed board by council
- Plant Sale – Ann Maxwell passed out information

V. ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Kim Carney

Second: Sharon Stang

MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:05PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Laughlin, Planner II