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## Neighborhood Advisory Board MINUTES District #1 Community Meeting

Thursday, February 19, 2015, 6:00PM  
Greenfield Terrace Subdivision

401 Greenfield Blvd. Greenville, NC  
Barnes-Ebron-Taft Community Center

### 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	Kim Carney *	1
Betty Hines *	2	David Douglas *	2
Ann Maxwell *	3	Laura McKenna *	3
Blythe Tennent, Vice Chair *	4	Caroline Doherty *	4
Sharon Stang, *	5	Brenda Diggs, Chair *	5
NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBERS			
NAME	DISTRICT	NAME	DISTRICT
VACANT	1	Harry Stubbs - *	4
VACANT	2	Misun Hur - *	5
Vince Bellis *	3		

City Staff Present: Merrill Flood, Director of Community Development Department (CD), Tiana Keith, Neighborhood Liaison Ombudsman (CD), and Gwen Turnage Administrative Assistant (CD); Dave Holec, City Attorney; Interim Chief of Police Ted Sauls, Greenville Police Department (PD), Lt. Cheryl Curtis (PD), Cpl Chris Viverette Code Enforcement Division Commander (PD), A.J. Basile, Code Enforcement Officer (PD), Cpl Ben Quick (PD), Jerry Vickers, Executive Director Pitt-Greenville Airport, and Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director. 58 signed in, approximately 65 were in attendance.

Council Member Kandie Smith and Council Member Rick Smiley attended the meeting.

- 1) **Welcome** - Brenda Diggs, Chairperson of the NAB and meeting moderator welcomed everyone to the meeting. NAB members from District #1 Carolyn Glast and Kimberly Carney also welcomed attendees to the meeting.
- 2) **NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD BUSINESS:** Approval of the February 19, 2015 Agenda and January 20, 2015 Minutes.

**Agenda:** Motion: Blythe Tennent Second: Caroline Doherty  
*Motion Passed*

**Minutes:** Motion: Sharon Stang Second: Caroline Doherty  
*Motion Passed*

**3) DISCUSSION OF FORUM FOR COUNCIL TERMS - Dave Holec, City Attorney**

Dave Holec, City Attorney, explained that City Council annually holds a planning session where they review what their objectives are for the upcoming year. At City Council's last session the council discussed the time frame of the City Council members. A change for Council to serve a four year staggered term was discussed, not to interfere with the current Council's term. In an effort to gather public input from the community, Council has requested boards and commissions to host forums. The City Attorney will be responsible for making presentations during the forum and receiving the input from the public. A referendum is planned to take place March 2016 with the general public following the forums held throughout the community. Council has requested the NAB to host a forum on March 31<sup>st</sup>. The NAB supported this request.

**A MOTION FOR NAB TO HOST A FORUM TO AMEND CITY COUNCIL TERMS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2015 @6:00PM IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS:**

Motioned: Ann Maxwell Second: Carolyn Glast  
*Motion Passed*

Discussion:

Members of the NAB requested information to distribute in their districts concerning the forum they will be hosting March 31<sup>st</sup>, such as; the issues affecting the change to amend City Council terms. Staff has agreed to provide the NAB with this information.

**4) INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKERS – Brenda Diggs**

Brenda Diggs NAB Chair introduced all the speakers. Brenda noted that each speaker's presentation will take approximately 15 minutes and the presenters will honor the public time to ask three to four questions at the end of each presentation. Additionally, because of time constraints, note cards were placed on the table for questions, and staff will contact them with an answer. Contact information with either a phone number or email was requested on the note card.

**5) KEVIN MULLIGAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Kevin Mulligan provided a presentation on the Watershed Master Plan. The Watershed Master Plan is scheduled to be complete January 2016. The Watershed Master Plan will include an inventory of the existing system, development of geographic information system (GIS) database, hydrology/hydraulic modeling, quality assurance/control program, and capital project needs/priorities. The Public Works Department will use these products to assist with maintenance activities, assess capital improvement project needs, meet state and federal stormwater requirements, and aid in quality assurance of new/re-development efforts in the City of Greenville. A map of the Watershed Master Plan was displayed to show geographical areas within the City of Greenville.

**6) JERRY VICKERS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PITT-GREENVILLE AIRPORT**

Jerry Vickers provided an overview and information about current airport projects. Jerry expressed the objective of the airport is to continue ongoing dialogue between PGV and adjoining neighborhoods. The airport is planning an extension/safety area on runway 2-20 with area improvements. Their prime purpose is to meet new FAA safety standards

regarding safety areas for commercial jet aircraft. The FAA standard requires 600 feet of safety area at end of runway 2. Currently there is not 600' at end of runway 2. Wetlands & Memorial Drive preclude extending the safety area at the end of runway 2. Currently the airport is focusing on noise impact areas. Additionally the airport has currently completed a Master Plan that maps out development plans for the next 20 years. There is no extension for the main runway identified at this time. PGM's future is in a small regional jets & building hangars for small corporate jets. He noted that modern aircraft need less runway and emit less noise and fumes

**7) TED SAULS, INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE, POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Interim Chief of Police Sauls provided a presentation based on the Police Department's 2014 crime statistics. Chief Sauls noted that Greenville violent crime rate decreased in 2014. He also noted that in order to maintain their efforts of crime prevention in the community, it is imperative that the citizens of Greenville continue to work with the Greenville Police. Additionally Chief Sauls spoke on the Civic Liaison Program which is available to active neighborhood associations. This program assigns an officer to active neighborhood associations in an effort to forge a one-on-one relationship between the community and the Police Department.

**Below is the 2014 Synopsis Report of the Greenville Police Department**

Category	2013	2014	% Change
Violent Part 1 Crimes	554	478	- 13.7%
Property Part 1 Crimes	3862	3683	- 4.6%
<b>Total Part 1 Crimes*</b>	<b>4416</b>	<b>4161</b>	<b>- 5.77%</b>
Reportable Crashes	3500	3857	10.0%
Non-Reportable Crashes	1702	666	- 61.0%
<b>Crashes</b>	<b>5202</b>	<b>4523</b>	<b>- 13.0%</b>

**8) COUNCILMEMBER KANDIE SMITH ADDRESSING DISTRICT 1 NEIGHBORHOODS**

Councilmember Smith thanked everyone for attending the district meeting tonight. She provided her phone number for citizens to personally contact her, should the need arise. Councilmember Smith recognized Kim Carney and Carolyn Glast, NAB Liaisons, for their efforts in identifying the needs in District #1, such as the airport and citizen concerns north of the river. It is important that the NAB recognizes the challenges in District #1 and the need for new neighborhood associations to be established. Councilmember Smith will be working with the NAB to establish a rapport about concerns for district #1. She encouraged everyone to provide their contact information so they will be informed of upcoming events in District #1.

**9) Announcements from Brenda Diggs, NAB Chair and Tiana Keith, NAB Ombudsman/City Staff Representative**

Merrill Flood, Director of Community Development spoke briefly on the Greenville's Horizon's Master Plan. Merrill noted that the NAB will have an opportunity to be involved with Greenville's Horizon Master Plan by serving on the Comprehensive Plan subcommittee. Merrill requested that the NAB select a board member at their March 19, 2015 board meeting to serve on the subcommittee that is expected to last approximately one year.

Harry Stubbs, NAB alternate board member announced that on Saturday, May 2, 2015 the NAB will hold its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual NAB Symposium at City Hall from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Additionally, after the symposium @ 2:30pm the Greenville Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission is pleased to offer an open invitation for a guided bicycle ride beginning at City Hall continuing on the Greenway from the Town Commons area to the Off Leash Dog Park, and returning to City Hall. Everyone is welcomed to attend these events.

Misun Hur invited the NAB Board Members and others to participate in the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium film production. Everyone is welcomed to join Dr. Hur for classroom discussions on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 16<sup>th</sup>, and March 18<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00AM in the Brewster Building, room A-212 on the campus of East Carolina University. For additional information please contact Misun Hur at [hurmi@ecu.edu](mailto:hurmi@ecu.edu) or [tkeith@greenvillenc.gov](mailto:tkeith@greenvillenc.gov).

**10) Public Comments** - Limit 3 minutes each

A homeowner from district #1 addressed the development, new stores and a super Wal-Mart north of the river. Councilmember Smith responded that north of the river has been established as an *easy eye zone*. Easy eye zone is an effort to bring more businesses into the area. Merrill Flood, Director of Community Development stated that a site plan has been submitted and approved by staff for the super Wal-Mart. However, the business plans have not been submitted to staff. It is hopeful that the super Wal-Mart and other businesses north of the river will begin work this year (2015).

Councilmember Smith noted that it is imperative that these new businesses north of the river, such as the super Wal-Mart, obtain support from those in the area. These businesses will need the support from citizens north of the river in order to thrive.

THREE (3) MINUTES ALLOTTED PER SPEAKER

FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES ALLOTTED FOR THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

**11) ADJOURN**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Caroline Doherty    **Second:** Kim Carney

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Tiana Keith, Neighborhood Liaison Ombudsman