

Westview Community Organization Monthly Meeting Minutes June 7, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Smith at 7:02pm.

Invocation – The invocation was presented by the Chaplain, Raymond Gambrell and Assistant Chaplain Clementine Malta-Bey.

Approval of the Minutes – Raymond Gambrell motioned to approve the May meeting minutes as amended. Mark Malaguerra seconded the motion. Vote – Yes: 16, No: 0

OLD BUSINESS

Community Garden Update – Most plants have been planted. Volunteers are needed to plant corn. About 11 people are participating. Additional spaces are still available. A garden bed costs \$25 per season.

Replacement of Officers (Assistant Treasurer) – The position of Assistant Treasurer has not been filled. Please let Scott Smith or Patrick Berry know if you are interested.

June Cookout/Westview Centennial – On June 26th the WCO will host the third annual BBQ in collaboration with the BeltLine 5K and ribbon cutting ceremony. The 5K run will start at 9:00am at Rose Circle Park. Registration will be free. Tentatively the event will be held at KIPP STRIVE Academy. The celebration will start off with an opening ceremony followed by a cook-off. Please contact Ayana Gabriel to volunteer at 404-345-3209 or agabriel1908@yahoo.com. Volunteers: Call for donations, food cooking and food needs, advertisement. June 18th registration deadline. Drop off drink donations at Scott Smith's house.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Police Report – Lt. Steed (Zone 4 Evening Watch Commander) came to speak about Zone 4 related crime. They are focusing on a Quality of Life sweep (abandoned cars, etc). They are still waiting on the bicycles for bike patrol. They have asked the New Black Panthers to get a permit for their campaigns at the RDA/Cascade intersection due to traffic concerns. Based on resident concerns, Lt. Steed informed that noise restrictions are Friday and Saturday from midnight to 7am, and Sunday through Thursday from 11pm to 6am. Curfew for children under 16 is 11pm.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NPU-T Mayor Meeting – NPU-T Executive Members Patrick Berry, Mark Malaguerra, and Nia Knowles met with Mayor Reed to discuss community concerns. They will have a follow-up meeting with James Shelby (Director of Bureau of Housing) and Hans Utz (Mayor's Office of Constituents Services) to continue the dialog. They were informed a budget has been approved to hire 6 additional Code Enforcement Officers.

UCDC Board – Mark Malaguerra has been assigned to be Westview's representative on the Board of Directors for University Community Development Corporation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Master Planning Workshop – Attendees came up with a lot if ideas for the master plan. The grant from the Neighborhood Foundation that helped fund the costs associated with the master plan is due to be closed out. The Development Committee is now working on putting together a summary of the workshop. The master plan will ultimately allow the neighborhood to receive government funds for projects the neighborhood deemed important and ensure the neighborhood develops in line with residents wants and needs.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/QUESTIONS

Fulton County Animal Control – Fulton County Animal Control's phone number has changed to 404-613-0358. They will not address issues with cats. They can address stray dogs, tethered dogs, etc.

Wren's Nest Festival – The Wren's Nest is hosting a festival on Friday, June 11, and are asking for volunteers to do children's face painting.

DUES

Dues - \$5 per family per month or \$2 per senior citizen family per month. Dues can be also be paid by credit card/PayPal at www.westviewatlanta.com.

\$62.00 of dues were collected by President Scott Smith.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm.

Submitted by Steffi Langer-Berry, Secretary