

Westview Community Organization
January 8, 2018

1. Invocation

- a. Meeting started at 7:01

2. Adoption of Agenda

- a. Motion by Mrs. Hatte , 2nd by Jake. Yay – 12, Nay – 0, Abstentions – 0 . Motion carries.

3. Reading and Approval of Minutes

- a. Motion to adopt by Jake, 2nd by Candy. Yay – , Nay – 12, Abstentions – 1. Motion carries.

4. Police/Public Safety

- a. N/A

5. Unfinished Business

- a. N/A

6. New Business

a. Kenneth Ellsworth- Zoning Variance V-17-350

- i. Zonine request for a carriage house .
- ii. Request to adjust set back because of zoning and angles of property
 - 1. Motion by Candy to accept the variance 2nd by Mrs. Hatte. Yay – 10 , Nay – 0, Abstention – 0.

b. Michael Lowe- SCAD

- i. Thesis for SCAD with urban planning and participation with a goal to create something to encourage participation and inclusion for work with urban planners. How can we create a more human centered experience.
 - 1. Westview, Pittsburg and Ponce City Market are the areas being researched
 - 2. There is a need to interview neighbors
 - 3. Projected is projected to complete in 10 weeks
 - 4. INSERT LINK HERE

c. Trees Atlanta

- i. Jake Carpenter is representing Trees Atlanta tonight
 - 1. Work in Enota park is in the early stages of development. Trees Atlanta has planted over 200 trees.
 - 2. Saturday, January 13, 2018 there is an event for invasive species removal and seeding from 9am-12pm
 - 3. Volunteers are requested to arrive 10 minutes early.

7. Treasurer's Report

- a. Report was provided for attendees to read
- b. Jessica and Jason are researching and determining how stable the WCO is and how to achieve 501c3 status

- c. Westview still owes around \$5000 to the neighbors who helped purchased the land for the community garden.
- d. Motion to accept by Paulette, seconded by Mrs. Pat. 8 yay, 0 nay, 0 abstentions

8. Committee Reports

a. Committees are being restructured for 2018

- i. Membership
- ii. Zoning and public safety
- iii. Development and business
- iv. Youth and education
- v. Beautification
- vi. Events
- vii. Communications
- viii. Executive

b. Membership

- i. No current chair
- ii. Board is doing a full push for membership
- iii. \$20 per household
 - 1. can be paid via Paypal or at the WCO meeting

c. Zoning

- i. Need a chair

d. Development and Business

- i. Jake and Candace
- ii. Messages are out to the Beltline for the Ralph David Abernathy complete streets project
- iii. Working towards additional streetscape improvements
- iv. Date for the next meeting has not been set yet. An announcement will be posted when more information is known.
- v. Changes are being worked for the light at Ralph David Abernathy and Cascade
- vi. The light at MLK and RDA was recently updated to help traffic flow
- vii. Concern around people driving through parking spots on RDA.
 - 1. Encourage people to go to meetings to push for the community needs
- viii. Restriping of crosswalks
 - 1. Because of the cold and the other items that need to be completed the crosswalks are still on the to do list.
 - 2. Jason has a meeting scheduled with the principle of Kipp and this will be discussed with him as well.

e. Youth and Education

- i. Michelle Stewart is the new chair
- ii. There will be a focus around Kipp and the Washington Cluster

f. Beautification

- i. n/a

g. Events

- i. In 2018 the ask is that the board runs the events committee
- ii. There is a long list of new and old events that the WCO board has worked through and Jason will be releasing a calendar of events.
- iii. April 9, 2018 will be the 50th anniversary of the assassination of MLK Jr.

1. They will be holding a march that mimics the march that delivered his body from SW Atlanta to the King Center
2. SW neighborhoods have been asked to show up for the march.

h. Communications

- i. The board will also be run by the WCO board in 2018
 1. FB, Twitter, Instagram, Block Captains, door knocking, Newsletter
 2. Goal is revamp communication with the neighborhood

i. Executive Committee

- i. 3 major priorities
 1. Reset the working order of the WCO
 - a. Reset the financial stability of the WCO
 - b. Non-profit status
 - c. Creating a process to make board transitions a smooth process
 2. Strengthening the culture in Westview
 - a. Protecting the Westview name
 - b. Community engagement
 3. Proactive approach for advocacy in SW Atlanta
 - a. Enota Park and the changes that will come with it
 - b. Engaging the education clusters
 - c. Advocating around the master plan
 - d. Solutions around renter and homeowner rights

9. Community Concerns/Questions/Announcements

- a. Is there a specific MLK Jr event in Westview?
 - i. Not this year, but there are many opportunities to volunteer
 - ii. Jason will send out events that are going on for those who want to volunteer
- b. NPU Meeting January 10, 2018 at Kipp, in the cafeteria
- c. Mrs. Hatte's house has been painted. There are a few touch up items left to do.
 - i. There is an event on Saturday to work on glazing and painting her windows

10. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:43PM