

Minutes for Trinity Park Neighborhood Association

November 7, 2012 7:30 pm

George Watts School Media Center*

Welcome and introductions

- Germaine Brewington
- Julia Borbely-Brown
- Nicole Baxter
- Philip Azar
- John Swansey
- Jena Vickery
- Jeff Porter
- T.J. McDermott
- Rachel Raney
- Mathew Palmer
- Leanne Tilley (Visitor from Ellerbee Creek Watershed Assoc.)

Minutes of the October 3, 2012 Board Meeting

- Minutes will be voted on in December

Treasurer's Report (Germaine Brewington)

- Two biggest contributors in September are sponsors and dues
- The biggest expense categories for month to date September include Community Building and Communications
- Beginning with January 1, 2013, the financial report will be presented on a calendar year or for us, a fiscal year basis.
- **House tour netted \$7423.76!**

Committee Reports

Web Page (Jena Vickery)

- Met to figure out what needs to stay/go.
- Hope for early to mid-December for proposal.
- Proposed update to "why to join TPNA" section of the website, include minutes and Annual Reports.

House Tour (Nicole Baxter)

- Profit from house tour was \$7423.76.
- Noted food donations by Suman; Parker&Otis; J.C. Swansey and Deb Dobbins
- Proposed donations to Habitat and Durham Foodbank (\$375/ea.) and Donation to the Trinity Park Foundation (\$1500)
 - o *Jeff Porter motioned to move \$1500 to foundation. Phil Azar seconded. Motion passed unanimously.*

Membership (Jody White)

- Jody sent out membership report on House Tour

- Met Monday and began to think about things for next year.
- 6 or so prospects for 2013.
- Future request to see write-ups from Home Tour
- Phil A. mentioned desire to have a Garden Tour in upcoming or off-setting year. Julia mentioned the potential to hold during the Orchestra.
- Remember for next year to get key for DSA (principal left w/ key).

Community Building (Jena Vickery)

Halloween and Luminaria

- Christina was a huge help; Halloween event was a big success
- Unfortunately, the bags did not sell (about a dozen)
- *For next year: Trinity Park effort to improve child pedestrian visibility*
- Could use the bags for other purposes / new members
- Luminaria (**date is December 9th**) is just getting started. Have Santa and Fire Truck. Plan is to donate donations to Toys for Tots

Urban Planning (John Swansey)

- Hotel update – no direct knowledge of anything new
- Eugene did post to listserv (TP) regarding the developer securing financing

Traffic, Bike and Pedestrian (Rachel Raney)

- Performing Walk Audit in three teams
 - o Experience walking conditions between 8am and 9am
 - o Put faces to names; Track progress
 - o Great press event
- December 5th Meeting:
 - o Developing Questions for Durham Police Department
 - o Reach out to institutions in the neighborhood for event
 - Congregations
 - Durham Public Schools; Duke University
 - Elected Officials

Duke Diet and Fitness Site (Kathleen Jordan)

- Postponed

Newsletter

- December issue – articles due **NOVEMBER 10**

Other Items

Cankerworm Control

Brief update: Took in \$1250 and spend \$1300 (sold 100 kits; net cost of \$53)
Built neighborhood knowledge, partnership with NCSU

Electricity installation in The Park

Duke Power will do electricity install ASAP (delayed to go to North East)
Policies for use from The Foundation disseminated

Ellerbee Creek Watershed Association

- \$500 matching challenge for neighborhood improvement in the Ellerbee Creek Greenway (w/ Northgate; OWD; Watts Hillandale; Duke Park; OND)
- Phil A. asked for article from ECWA for TPNA Newsletter and greenway info
 - o *Motion from Phil A. to donate \$500 to ECWA; Item parked for Dec 2012*

Pending vacancy on the Board

- Issue moving forward is Board Member participation in monthly meetings.

Memorial to Merrill Davis

- Memorial tree planting in Central Park
- *Motion to write a formal letter on behalf of TPNA. Seconded and passed.*