

**2022 TPNA Board Meeting Agenda**  
**Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00pm**  
**Via Zoom**

**Attendees:** James Dobbins, Bill Brown, Karalyn Colopy, Mollie Flowe, Caroline Black, Waugh Wright, Diane Amato, Tiffany Florestal , Laurie Williamson, Philip Azar, Richard Weintraub, Beth Sheppard, Anne and Tim McNulty, Mimi Kessler, Annie Ambrose

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**Review of November meeting minutes** - Karalyn Colopy

- Minutes approved by voice vote

**Treasurer's report** - Bill Brown

- November income = \$1,399. There are still some advertisers for the Home Tour who have not paid. Mimi said she would contact them (5 outstanding, one has paid but the check is in limbo.
- Gave the check to Families Moving Forward \$5,000.00
- Next Year's Budget -
  - Board meeting expenses were discussed
  - Symphony discussed as a potential grant opportunity
  - Newsletter - sponsors lagging, not sure what will happen to those we have

**Communications** - Karalyn Colopy

- Planning to get the last edition out on schedule in advance of the Luminaria activity on Dec 18.
- Website - looking for a volunteer to help with web maintenance, both for trinitypark.org as well as trinityparkfoundation.org

**Community Building** - Waugh Wright

- Luminaria - please participate

**Traffic** - Mollie Flowe

- Committee met on November 30. About 12 people. Agree that traffic on Duke and Gregson Streets needs to calm down now that the East End Connector is open. Plan to learn more about where things stand now, what suggestions are out there, and how open the city might be to taking over those streets.
- Good reference is the "Move Durham Transportation Study." The final report was adopted by the City Council on October 5, 2020. (To find online, google "Move Durham Transportation" and click on the "final report" link.)
- Committee will meet next in late January.

**INC** - Mimi Kessler

- Don't Waste Durham - dedicated fund for green initiatives - advocating for \$0.10/single use bag fee in retail establishments
- Durham Cultural Affairs - looking for neighborhood representation (related to Arts and Parks)
- Presentation made by the private-developer group to make text amendments to the UDO at INC meeting and elsewhere. Known as "SCAD". Something to watch as it is like EHC but more so.

### **2023 Elections** - Karalyn Colopy

- Nominating committee: Diane Amato, Molle Flowe, Jes Morse, Jodie Skoff, Liz Healey
- Slate coming together - will nominate 4 new board members, plus a new President and Vice President
- Vote will be held at the beginning of the Annual Meeting on Jan 11@7pm

### **Trinity Park Foundation** -Karalyn Colopy

- Have ideas of projects for Duke - Durham Neighborhood Partnership grant:
  - Health and Safety: restoring the granite steps from Trinity Ave. (which are uneven and could cause people to fall)
  - Education: Plantings in the Trinity Ave. median., educating the community about the importance of planting native plants.
- TPF is very grateful for the anticipated funds from Home Tour (TPNA expects to send check for ~\$16,000 to TPF)
  - Upcoming projects that will benefit from these funds include
    - Installing an irrigation system for the gardens in the park
    - Installing low decorative fencing around the gardens
    - Working on the Trinity Ave. median - long-term sustainable/drought-tolerant landscaping plan
    - Replacing the utility pole-mounted light in the park with a nicer post
    - Creating a "Trinity Park Tree Trail" to highlight and celebrate the diversity of trees along TP streets

### **Membership** - Beth Sheppard

- Slower this time of year, 1 returning member
- Membership database will change
  - The company that hosts the website is undergoing a reorganization; Marc Philips is navigating it for us and is paying the fees temporarily (used to be free)
  - For now, we are staying with this company, but we need to decide whether this is the best way, or if we should find a new company, or extract the member data and use it outside of the hosted database (e.g., in a local spreadsheet), or we could find another hosting service.

### **Safety** - Ron Gallagher (absent but sent a report)

- Crime looks to be suspiciously low.
- This should be porch-pirate season, but no news about porch thefts... only mis-deliveries.
- A reminder about the recommended guidelines for deliveries:
  - have things delivered to your workplace, to a neighbor who's home if you won't be around, or to an Amazon locker or the FedEx or UPS stores.
  - If you can set up a somewhat hidden area on your porch where the delivery folks can stash stuff (like behind an outdoor sofa or chairs), let them know about it.

### **South Ellerbe Creek Wetlands - Mollie Flowe**

- Nothing new

### **Duke-Durham Neighborhood Partnership - Karalyn Colopy**

- January grant opportunity
  - Applications due Jan 30th, \$2,500. A collaboration on projects with a non-profit might be worth more \$\$
  - Possible Uses: Restore the granite steps on Trinity - very high steps, uneven, no handrail
  - We should ask for the money! The worst thing is that they would say no.

### **New business - neighbor concerns and suggestions**

- Dog waste bins (Bill Brown) -
  - City Park personnel will not collect receptacle bags at the new “stations”
  - What process and who should do the replenishment of bags/collecting bags?
  - Bill still working on it
- Social district aka “the Bullpen”
  - Went into effect December 1
  - Contiguous with our neighborhood
  - Allows people to walk with drinks throughout the district, til 10 pm
  - District abuts TP (Main Street ending at Main and Buchanan)
  - Potential concerns to “monitor”:
    - Are cups properly disposed of? (Would be great if they were re-useable)
    - Disruptive behavior in the neighborhood

### **Adjourn**