

MINUTES WEST END NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT, INC. GENERAL MEETING February 7th, 2012

The WEND, Inc. General Meeting was held Tuesday, February 7th 2012, at the West End Library branch. John Pavlin, 1st Vice President called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Attendees signed the attendance roster. Officers, members and guests introduced themselves to the collective body.

Board Members Present

John Pavlin, 1st Vice President Barbara Williams, 2nd Vice President Danielle Carney, Treasurer Alena Harrison, Secretary

Board Members Absent

Carl Nes, President

Parliamentarian

Cathy Witt

The January 2012 minutes were reviewed by the body and accepted into the record with amendments. 1st Vice President Pavlin presented the agenda verbally and the agenda was accepted with minor revisions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Danielle Carney presented the January 2012 Financials to the general body. She also mention the security patrol is self-funded. 31 members join since the beginning of the year. Denise Blake inquired regarding the odd amount for membership and it was explained that \$17.65 was from donations.

Handy Johnson's committee (Preservation and Urban Design) proposed that the grant money be spent toward a nominal fee for a structural engineering report and historic guideline brochure duplications. But a formal presentation will be presented to the body within 60 days on the remaining funds \$3774.23 (\$1,000 which was a pledge from WEND to help re-open Firestation #7)

Vonda Henry reported that \$1200 of the grant money was voted by the body for more banners, either in the Nov or Dec 2010 minutes....more information forth coming.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety Report

- Lt. Joel Bogolin presented the 401 Crime report for January 1 January 31 2012.
 - Crime is down 1% (total crime average) from last year
 - Looking to add additional traffic and bike patrol

- The recent beat realignment helped from week 48 (2011) week 3 (2012) which resulted in 18 burglary arrest with 90% occurring on scene.
- Which crimes are occurring during the shifts -- Crime breakdown (The biggest crime is property crime)
 - o 7am-3pm Burglaries
 - 3pm-11pm more violent crimes
 - 11pm-7am some violent crimes and auto thefts.
- Remember to call 911 if you witness anything suspicious

How to pay Security Dues

http://atlantawestend.com

\$25/month or \$70/quarter

Mail a check payable to West End Security Patrol to: PO Box 10946, Atlanta, GA 30310

<u>Tour of Homes/Beautification</u> Contact: Toby Jackson essence77@comcast.net This year's Tour will be held **May 5 2012**.

- The tour has lost 1 home from the tour, if interested in having your home shown please contact Toby Jackson essence77@comcast.net
- Upcoming tree planting with Trees Atlanta scheduled for Feb 25 time TBD
- Toby follow up on the tree stump removal, the city doesn't have any funds to remove tree stumps and a request will be put in for next year's budget

Education - Contact: John Pavlin pavlinjohn@gmail.com

 Eductation committee would like to highlight achievements of area students and teachers in OWEN and feature more educational content in OWEN

<u>Preservation and Urban Design</u> – Contact: Handy Johnson handyj46@yahoo.com

- The section related to preservation and urban design is fine as listed in current copy of by-laws
- Chair Handy Johnson Vice-Chair Brenda Arrington
- Governor's Grant (see treasurer's report)
- Banner project
- Completion of arts walk project along RDA

Membership - Contact: John Pavlin pavlinjohn@gmail.com

- Please remember to sign in and join a committee to be eligible for the 2013 election
- Dues are now due \$20
- John did a raffle to for current members

PR/Media

- WEND Mixer scheduled for Feb 23, 2012 at Space 1310 White St 7pm 10pm
- Volunteers are needed for the Concert
- Continue to promote OWEN and the West End Brand
- Develop media database

AGENDA ITEMS

Westview – Patrick Berry http://www.westviewatlanta.com/

Patrick Berry came by to continue in the surrounding neighborhood promotions. We look to continue to have the lines of communication open and partner with our neighbors in Westview. Patrick mentioned they continue to improve the strip along RDA with new businesses.

Miss Crumpy's Hotwings

Kipp Strive

Like them on Facebook

Kipp Strive - Ed Chang & Mini'imah Shaheed www.kippstrive.org

- Currently in 3rd year of operation and within 2 years they earned the Gold award from the Governor's Office of Student Achievement for gains in student performance.
- Next year grades 5-8 will be added
- Kipp Strive is FREE of charge to people that live in the Atlanta public school district
- First round of application close MARCH 15

Kipp Primary

- Open 2012 with their inaugural class kindergartners
- Over \$3 million invested in the Kipp Primary building
- K-12 option will be available in the near future
- 188 enrollments forms submitted for the first 100 class of kindergartners

Committed to Communities – Derek Duckworth

- Slated to have 6 events this year, with a plea to have community involvement
- Date TBD
- Any home listed and sold during or after, the neighborhood would receive \$500 per home sold.
- Vonda Henry will be the liaison between WEND and Committed to Communities
- The body voted to support the event pending more information provided (date/time/plan for the event)

By-Laws/Finance Committee

There was discussion around the appointment of a finance committee (Article 10 in the by-laws was a reference for the appointed committees). For more information on this committee please refer to Carl Nes. These 2 committees are ad-hoc and more information will follow regarding their duration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember to get involved in one of WEND's standing committees, for more information please contact Barbara Williams - viviangeorge@mindspring.com

Brent informed members regarding the upcoming MOST tax vote on March 6

WEND Mixer Feb 23 2012 Space Atlanta 1310 White St 7 pm - 10pm please plan on joining us.

Councilwoman Winslow announced several upcoming events

March 20th "RETHINK WEST END: VISIONING WORK SESSIONS"

Empire Board of Realtists 686 J.E. Lowery Blvd SW 7:30 am - 10 am

February 18th Get on the Bus Tour 8:30 am 12:00 noon
Atlanta City Hall
55 Trinity Ave SW 2nd Floor City Council Chambers
Contact Councilwoman Winslow for more info 404-330-6047
cwinslow@atlantaga.gov

NEXT MEETING

This meeting was adjourned at 8.51 pm.

The next formal meeting is **Tuesday**, **March 6th**, **2012 at 7:00 pm at the West End Library**. Submitted this 10th day of February 2012

by Alena Harrison

Secretary, W.E.N.D., Inc.