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COMMITTEES

Beautification

Membership

Preservation and Urban Design

Public Relations/Media

Public Safety

Zoning and Land Use

MEETING MINUTES

West End Neighborhood Development

January 5, 2015 7pm - West End Library

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Kimberly Parmer at 7:02pm.

Officers Present

Kimberly Parmer, President Tony McNeal, First Vice President Alisha Thym, Second Vice President Jason Tutt, Treasurer Naquia Harris, Secretary

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The 2015 Officers introduced themselves, followed by meeting attendees and guests.

ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

A motion was made by Cami Gibson to approve the evening's agenda as presented. Denise Blake seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by LA Thym to approve the December 2, 2014 meeting minutes. Carlton Walker seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer Jason Tutt provided the statement of financial position.

- WEND's bank balance is \$18,751.19.
- During December 2014, WEND received total revenue in the amount of \$1341.19. Expenses were \$2345.92 majority of which were for the annual holiday party.

Brent Brewer wants to come to executive board meeting to discuss OWEN's relationship with WEND, following the review of the budget. Madam President asked for motion to the budge with deleting line 6. Denise Blake made the motion, Terry Ross seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion was passed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Madam President shared her 2015 vision for the year: "Live, Work, Play". She provided Atlanta Beltline construction updates and that businesses are looking to locate to the neighborhood. She looks forward to collaborating with neighbors and WEND members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety

- Lt. Sinks (<u>resinks@atlantaga.gov</u>), Zone 4's CID Commander provided updates on public safety issues affecting our neighborhood.
- A concern was mentioned relating to illegal parking on Oak Street. Lt. Sinks suggested contacting Park Atlanta and request that they make rounds.
- There was another concern expressed on the pan handling in the neighborhood.

Education

- WEND is conducting a supply drive for youth in need at Brown Middle School. Items requested were the following: pencils, pens, antibacterial hand wash, tissues, notebooks, etc. To donate, please contact any WEND officer to coordinate pick-up. WonderRoot's Creative Reuse has an overstock of supplies to donate to artists and teachers. The teacher must coordinate a time with the organization to go to the storage unit to collect supplies.
- The Brown renovation is still on target to start on time, which is July 2015.
- There's a Westside Community Forum Saturday 1/17/15. Resident's presence is welcomed.
- A Washington Cluster survey was made available by Brent Brewer.

Beautification

- The Love Your Block initiative provided street toppers for every residential street in the Historic District. Please contact the committee if any streets are missing a topper.
- We need the help of neighbors to continue to take down marketing signs that are placarded on our trees and telephone poles.
- A request for help need in regards to the blight on the Lucile Bridge. It's suggested that
 residents contact representatives Nan Orrock (<u>nan.orrock@senate.ga.gov</u>) and Pat Gardner
 (<u>pat@patgarder.org</u>) and provide feedback about the lack of clean up in that area.

Preservation and Urban Design

- The chair requests people to join committee, as it's a large task to canvass the entire neighborhood.
- The chairperson also noted an increase number of permits in the neighborhood, 133 building permits.

Membership

• A chair is needed for this committee. The first VP will chair until position is filled.

PR/Communications

• Social media guidelines were submitted, branding and marketing is underway.

Zoning

Chairperson Alethea Parker shared a report of code violation complaints in our ZIP Code. It
was a quite month. The committee will continue to track these concerns and will try to share
ongoing reports electronically to WEND membership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Keisa Bruce, of Atlanta Bicycle Coalition, announces that Atlanta Streets Alive will be returning to the West End in 2015! She, along with Brent Brewer also introduced the Lee Street Advocacy Group promoting alternative options of transportation to the street. The next meeting is 1/28/15 location to be determined.
- WEND Committees Retreat 1/10/15 10:00a at Star Theater 840 Ralph David Abernathy Blvd

Next Meeting

February 3, 2015, 7pm – West End Library

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

Submitted this 14th day of January, 2015

Naquia Harris, Secretary

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West End Neighborhood Development, Inc.