

Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) DRAFT MINUTES

Thurs. March 16, 2017 @ 6:00PM City Hall Conf. Rm. 337 200 West Fifth Street Greenville, NC 27835-7207

BOARD MEMBERS AND ALTERNATE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Attendance is denoted by an "*" and absentees are denoted by an "x"

| NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS | | | | |
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| NAME | DISTRICT | | NAME | DISTRICT |
| Carolyn Glast - * | 1 | | Margaret Hrushesky - x | 1 |
| Betty Hines, Chair - * | 2 | | Joyce Williams - * | 2 |
| Ann Maxwell - * | 3 | | Ann Hamze - * | 3 |
| Blythe Tennent Vice Chair - * | 4 | | VACANT - X | 4 |
| Sharon Stang - * | 5 | | Brenda Diggs - * | 5 |
| NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY BOARD ALTERNATE MEMBERS | | | | |
| NAME | DISTRICT | | NAME | DISTRICT |
| Charlotte Smith - * | 1 | | Karen Jenkins -* | 4 |
| Twinna Dennis - x | 2 | | Misun Hur - * | 5 |
| Laura McKenna - * | 3 | | | |

<u>City Staff Present</u>: *Community Development Department*: Ben Griffith, Director *Police*: Sqt. Chris Viverette

- 1. Call to Order Betty Hines, Chair
- 2. Roll Call Ben Griffith

Karen Jenkins sat in vacant district seat 4

3. MOTION TO APPROVE OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Ann Maxwell Second: Carolyn Glast

Motion approved

4. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 16, 2017 MINUTES

Motion: Ann Maxwell Second: Blythe Tennent

Motion approved

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5. Public Comments - Limit 3 minutes each

Adele Green of the Greenville Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee addressed the attendees, stating she thought the two boards had similar interests in bicycle and pedestrian safety and encouraged everyone to review and support the proposed Transportation Plan going before Council. She spoke on a variety of bike-pedestrian subjects, City and NCDOT road widening projects and summarized by emphasizing the safety element of everyone who use the public roadway network. There were also questions and answers.

MOTION FOR THE NAB TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION PLAN:

Motion: Ann Maxwell Second: Brenda Diggs

The motion carried with Sharon Stang abstaining because she was not sure how some of the neighborhoods in her district felt about the transportation plan.

Discussion:

Ann Maxwell and Blythe Tennent were to draft the letter of support for Chairman Betty Hines' signature and send to City staff to forward to City Council per policy on page 23 of NAB Handbook;

Tami Locust introduced herself, stating she was from the Kristin Drive neighborhood area and that she and several other residents were interested in organizing a neighborhood association. She provided her contact information to City staff.

6. Staff Reports

A. Police Liaison – Report by Sgt. Chris Viverette, Greenville Police Dept.

Sgt. Chris Viverette announced that new videos were posted on the City's website for the Police Department and that the Chief had presented GPD's 2017-19 Strategic Plan to Council which was also available on the City's website. He also reminded the attendees that the deadline to sign up for the Citizens' Police Academy was March 17th.

B. Community Development Staff - Report by Ben Griffith, Director of Community Development Department

Ben Griffith announced Christi Williamson as the new Neighborhood Liaison / Community Ombudsman. Christi attended the meeting as guest and introduced herself to the attendees. She provided her background information and stated she is looking forward to officially starting on March 27th.

7. Old Business

A. Approval of Handbook

Chairperson Hines provided a brief review of the Handbook, detailing the contributions by the NAB and City staff, complimenting Chantae Gooby in the Planning Division for her help in finalizing the Handbook. She stated the Executive Committee had reviewed the Handbook thoroughly and that unless there was any

further discussion, she would entertain a motion to approve.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE APRIL 10, 2017 NAB HANDBOOK

Motion: Carolyn Glast Second: Brenda Diggs

Several attendees further complimented Ms. Gooby's assistance, particular the graphics on page 7 of the Handbook. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Success of Community Neighborhood Associations

Chairperson Hines asked the attendees to provide brief reports of successes with their associations. Most of the attendees provided updates and reports on the activities of their respective associations and of upcoming activities. There was extensive discussion of each.

8. New Business

A. Senior Citizens

Chairperson Hines provided a handout with information on resources, clubs and activities for senior citizens in the area. Mr. David Douglas expressed his concerns within his neighborhood and with some recent City Council decisions. There was a brief discussion amongst the attendees regarding Mr. Douglas' comments.

9. Committee Reports

A. Community Building Committee

Carolyn Glast reported there was no meeting and that they would be working on neighborhood packets in the near future.

B. Land Use / City Services Committee

Brenda Diggs reported she was gathering data for the next committee meeting and provided copies of the "2016 State of the District" from Uptown Greenville.

C. Public Safety Committee

Ann Maxwell reported the committee would be meeting soon and reminded everyone that next month's NAB meeting would be held on April 20th at 6:00pm with the Police Community Resources Committee. The location will be The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 307 Martinsborough Road, Greenville, NC 27858.

Misun Hur stated she had six students working on CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) projects throughout the City and they would bring posters to the April 19th meeting.

10. Announcements

Several announcements were made, including: Spring Clean-Up on April 8th, Tree Planting Day and Dedication of the new section of the Greenway for Saturday March 18th weather permitting; and the Council on Aging on March

21st. Everyone was also reminded to check the City of Greenville's Events and Tips on the City's website for additional information.

11. ADJOURN

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Ann Hamze

Second:

Brenda Diggs

Motion Passed

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben Griffith, Community Development Director