



Minutes from August Meeting:
8/7/2020

Board Members

President

- Officer Flowers has been very responsive to any issues that occur in the neighborhood
 - Community policing is an important part of modern policing
- Several board positions are elected by the membership - communications chair has been vacant for many months, but Michelle Rushing has stepped forward to fill in this position
 - Alyssa motions to elect Michelle to this role
 - John seconded
 - Voting: All yes's
- The MET Window
 - They have been great partners to us so far, so please show your support to them by visiting the window at the MET

Secretary

- July Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to accept the minutes, seconded
 - Voting: all yes's

Public Safety - Matt

- July has been a busy month
 - Someone was robbed while in their car; one sexual assault, a few car break-ins, and some gun fire
- No one has been arrested in regards to the sexual assaults
 - One woman was followed while walking and the assaulter came into her home
- If you see something, say something - either on FB, to Matt directly, or the police
- If you feel like you need to contact the police department, please do
 - And if you feel comfortable sharing any reports, please reach out to Matt to keep him in the loop
 - Safety@adairpark.com
 - ADP is invited to our meetings
 - If you feel uncomfortable while in the neighborhood, please call someone or reach out to someone in the FB group to help you

Judy Yi - Trees Atlanta, Director of Outreach and Marketing

- Trees Atlanta is moving to Oakland City at 825 Warner St., very close to Adair Park
- It will take a few years to move in - shooting for spring 2022
- Trees Atlanta has been in Atlanta since 1985, planted over 140,000 trees, including many trees on the beltline

- Community organization that protects the urban forest, educates Atlantans via outreach in school and online speaker events
- Community meeting coming up on Thursday to discuss the future of Tree's Atlanta at 825 Warner st.
 - Councilmember Sheperd will be hosting it
 - There will also be a survey to collect broader feedback from the community
 - Judy Yi, Trees Atlanta, Director of Outreach & Marketing
 - judy@treesatlanta.org or 404-609-3373
 - Virtual Community Input Meeting
 - Thurs., Aug 6 (6:30 pm)
 - Register for link: treesatlanta.org/d12
 - We'd love your input via the community survey (link on page)
- Will be changing the lot to incorporate more trees and connect that property to the Beltline

Treasurer - Logan

- \$21,975 currently in the bank
- Flags are \$20
- Dues are \$12 - you can email at treasurer@adairpark.com or send a PayPal payment to that address

John Sherwood - Senior Outreach

- Partnering with about 100 seniors in the neighborhood
- 4 food distribution volunteers who pick up 10-12 boxes of food each week and distribute that food to the seniors in need
- Helped Ms. Beulah take a tree down via a GoFundMe and she is incredible appreciative to everyone who helped contribute

Randy Gibbs - Youth Outreach

- No updates

Lawrence - Update on Senior and Youth Outreach

- \$320/mo for meals for seniors and families in need from Covid - this is a huge accomplishment
- Atlanta United heard about our outreach programs, they strive for conquering anything by being united, and they want to do an ice cream social to thank the neighborhood for being united with each other

Events - Alyssa

- Porches & Pies will be an online bake sale vs. an in-person festival
 - <https://www.porchesandpies.com/>
- Annual opportunity to raise funds for all the efforts we do throughout the year
- Thank you to the MET for continuing to be such a great partner with this event each year
- This year's plan:
 - Purchasing mini pies from professional bakers
 - Will sell 4 mini pies in a variety box, 2 drink tickets from Monday Night Brewery, and other goodies to come
 - Contactless pick up on October 10th
 - Please share contact info of any pro bakers!

- Also still welcoming additional volunteers to join the planning committee

Preservation - Jeannie Mills

- Next Monday evening in Adair Park 1 at 7pm under the pavilion
- Urban Design Committee is up and running and playing catch up, so they are meeting once a week to catch up
- Updates to the guidelines are going through the zoning review board August the 13th
 - These are important to keep the neighborhood's character in tact
 - There has been a lot of work being done during Covid that is not to code
 - Please report any unpermitted work to the code@adairpark.com
 - And copy president@adairpark.com if you would like
- Once the ZRB approves the updates, it will go to the full committee for approval
- Zoning Review Board has Zoom info on their site:
 - <https://meet.google.com/linkredirect?authuser=0&dest=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.atlantaga.gov%2Fgovernment%2Fdepartments%2Fcity-planning%2Foffice-of-zoning-development%2Fzoning%2Fzoning-review-board-zrb>
- Aug 6 at 6 pm specific info: <https://www.atlantaga.gov/home/showdocument?id=47345>

New Business

Mason Reid - Neighborhood Crowd Fund for Neighbors in Need

- Crowd fund effort to support neighbors in need
- Prompted by the dire economic situation and the increased displacing forces
- Took inspiration from various communities around the country and the work like the Senior and Youth outreach programs in our neighborhood
- Reviewed the idea with the board and some other community leaders
- It would be a crowd fund site that anyone can donate to (tax deductible)
 - Only residents within the neighborhood can apply
 - Certain purposes can be used for the money (e.g. rent relief, mortgage relief, utility bill relief, etc.)
 - Volunteers will be administering the funds
 - Awards will be up to \$500 per application; maximum number of applications per year per person
 - Eliminate any subjectivity in the awarding process
 - Anyone who wants to join the subcommittee can join
 - Everything would be full transparent in why people get approved and who receives the funds
- Motion to form the committee is made
 - Seconded
 - Voting: All yeses - 17
- Motion to create a line item in the budget within Adair Park today
 - Seconded

Randy Gibbs - Murphy Crossing

- RFP was cancelled
- Community leaders have been talking about how to get involved
 - Community coalition Judy Walker from Oakland City (includes various neighbors around Murphy Crossing)
 - Talking about ways the committee can influence the selection process

- This Saturday will be a meeting at 10am
 - Beltline has been talking about creating a task force to find neighborhood reps to sit on that task force
 - V, S, X NUPs will be represented
 - Each neighborhood will hopefully have 2 reps
 - Will help review the RFP process
- The Beltline is hoping to issue a new RFP in the next 3 months and will make a selection sometime next year
- No discussion around zoning at this point; no conversations around density either
- A copy of the RFP can be shared with the community

Small Business Association - Randy

- Supporting Adair Park and surrounding neighborhood
- They have presented to the Beltline
- Want to establish and manage a small business association in the area
 - To develop a trade association that would work together to fight issues that affect them

Council member Sheperd

- Want more community involvement for the Murphy Crossing project
 - Will have a meeting coming up for this - will let us know that date later
- Lots of good things happening around the neighborhood
- Have been quiet lately due to other distractions around the neighborhood
- Use of Force Task Force
 - Will have an update later on that
- Vicky is her point of contact within her department
 - Her staff will respond if she can't respond directly
- Grateful of the neighborhood for helping Ms. Beulah and her tree
- Another neighbor had a tree fall on their house and needs help
 - Joyce knows of an organization that can help them
- At Promise center is still progressing, but the opening will be delayed due to Covid
 - She will be doing a tour soon
- The new police department headquarters on metro will be opening no later than September
- Question: Don't understand her position around some of the legislation like the Rayshard Brooks bill
 - Will set up a time to discuss later
 - She wants to make sure the conversation is productive
 - Would like to invite the police dept to that convo
 - Have listened to people all across her district
- If you are not on her email list, sign up here: <http://eepurl.com/cNwMx1>

Michelle - Schools Reopening

- School sign ups, so please fill out the survey to communicate any device needs or food needs

Lawrence

- Railroad crossing will be closed for the next few days

APD - Captain Adams

- Main issues:
 - Whitehall street
 - Larceny
 - Robbery at gunpoint
 - Have been dealing with protestors at the current precinct, so there may be some delays in responding to emails
 - Have been pulled into other precincts to help them
- Blue Ivy has had some car break-ins
- WMAAdams@atlantaga.gov
- Will follow up with the sex crimes unit about the recent events in the neighborhood
 - He will get Ms. Jackson and she will email safety@adairpark.com