

Adair Park Today Neighborhood Meeting December 2021

Durand Bailey (Vice President/Acting President) called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Durand Bailey called for a motion to approve the November meeting minutes. John Sherwood motioned to approve the minutes, David Warren seconded. No discussion. 16 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Abstention. The minutes were approved.

APD Zone 3 (Sgt. Cosby)

- Officer Jones joined Sgt. Cosby
- Homicide rates are declining, but aggravated assault numbers are still up city wide.
- Vehicle thefts are up in Zone 3; lots of package thefts, and guns stolen from vehicles
- Zone 3 is hosting a coat drive and PAL is collecting toys at the Zone 3 precinct until the 23rd
- Contact Sgt. Cosby at tlcosby@atlantaga.gov or Major Peek at cpeek@atlantaga.gov
- Discussion
 - N. Robinson revisited the police chase that occurred on October 19. Sgt Cosby responded that GA State Patrol initiated that pursuit and that APD was providing mutual aid as required, and that he could not respond. N. Robinson asked how residents can get information and accountability. Sgt. Cosby referred her to GSP, and explained how APD handles pursuits (pursuit packaged that is submitted to internal affairs, and can be accessed through internal affairs)
 - J. Mills asked about specific AP crimes specifically. Sgt. Cosby reported 10 thefts from autos in AP in the past month. One burglary and a pedestrian robbery that resulted in an arrest.

Treasurer's Report (Nakita Robinson)

- \$4,750.95 in Paypal
- \$38,460.00 in Citizen's Trust Bank
- Some people have paid their dues in the last few days. If you weren't already a member, then your dues are for the calendar year 2021. You will have to pay dues again in 2022 for that year.

La Bodega (Ken Katz)

La Bodega won the Mastercard Small Business Home Team Prize. On Thursday, December 9, 11:30-12:30 p.m., the Atlanta Braves are bringing the World Series Cup to the restaurant for photos. All are welcome. Enter the Met on Murphy Avenue.

CHRIS 180 (Aaron Johnson)

- Aaron is the Trauma Response Network Manager.
- Contact: aaron.johnson@chris180.org, 470-456-9100

- Vaccination event, Sat, 10a until 2p, 1700 Lakewood Avenue. Offering Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines

State Representative Stacey Evans (Stacey Evans)

- Update on Special Session
 - Voting Districts were redrawn state house, state senate, congressional
 - House District 57 has shifted north. Stacey Evans will not represent Adair Park after 2022. Will become part of House District 59, which will have an open seat in the next election. Current Rep. David Dreyer no longer lives in the redrawn District 59
 - Info re: new maps: www.staceyevans.com – click “News” and then “2021 Maps”
- GSP does not have a “no chase” policy. There’s no will among Republicans at the state level to required GSP to follow the safety protocols that APD holds regarding high speed chases. Please send Stacey Evans videos and pictures when you see this happening.
- Contact: Rep. Stacey Evans, stacey@staceyevans.com, 404-275-4135
- Discussion:
 - N Robinson knows a neighbor who captured footage of the AP chase. S. Evans suggested chases should be discussed at the NPU level
 - (J. Mills) Any movement to get historic tax district credits reinstated? (S. Evans) There was a recent meeting that included the Ways & Means Chairman and Appropriations Chairman (both Republicans). One caveat, the Republican primary will affect the legislative session. Suspects that there will be a race to the right, which may leave this matter unsettled. Reach out to elected reps who serve on those committees.
 - (J. Mills) How to track the movement on the legislation? (S. Evans) Email Stacey and she will get you added to an alert list.
 - (J. Mills) Would the Atlanta Preservation Center already be on the email list? (S. Evans) Assumes so, but you might double check and if not, connect them with Stacey.

Communications (Michelle Marcus)

- Submit content for the newsletter and website
- Sign up for the newsletter via the APT website
- Our website: <https://adairpark.com/> and you can sign up for emails at the bottom of page!
- Adair Park Today on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/adairparktoday>
- Contact: communications@adairpark.com

Parliamentarian (Tim Ruffin)

No updates besides elections

Events (Alyssa Thys)

- The events committee meeting schedule will be announced in the January newsletter and member meeting
- Committee will mainly focused on planning for 2022 Porches and Pies
- Received valuable feedback about the 2021 event
- Consider joining the committee. Contact events@adairpark.com

Housing (Mason Reid)

- Giving Tuesday raised \$3,675 for the Housing Fund. Grateful for donations.
- Made some awards in November
- If you know someone in need, refer them to housing@adairpark.com

Parks (Olivia Czufin)

- The community garden is growing excellent produce
- Plots are \$25 for spring; fee waivers are available

Preservation (Jeannie Mills)

- Committee will not meet until January
- CoA Urban Design will meet tomorrow and not again until mid-January
- Discussion
 - O. Czufin Does the preservation committee take minutes? No. The committee reviews plans submitted to the City. Summaries are presented to the Urban Design Commission. Urban Design Commission meeting minutes are on the City's website
 - L. Miller on behalf of Brent Potter - the committee needs new members. Please contact code@adairpark.com
 - Contact Jeannie Mills at 404-753-6265

Safety (Adrian Neely)

- COVID tests were distributed to seniors. If you know of anyone who was overlooked
- Pleased to report that many seniors have been vaccinated
- Please contact safety@adairpark.com.

Seniors (John Sherwood)

- No update
- Discussion
 - (L. Miller) 40 neighbors received grocery store gift cards for Thanksgiving. Another round of gift card distributions is planned for Christmastime.

Elections

- Elections were taken for each position as follows:
 - Parliamentarian: Tim Ruffin was nominated by Jeannie Mills. He declined. No other nominees. Position remains unfilled.
 - Secretary: Matthew Garbett, the sole nominee, was elected to the position

- Treasurer: Kevin Fink, the sole nominee, was elected to the position
- Communications: Durand Bailey, the sole nominee, was elected to the position
- Vice President: Michelle Marcus, the sole nominee was elected to the position
- President:
 - Prior to the meeting, Nakita Robinson was the sole nominee
 - During the meeting, Jeannie Mills nominated Lawrence Miller, who accepted
 - Lawrence Miller was elected to the position
- Tim Ruffin, Parliamentarian, required time after the meeting to ensure that all who voted were eligible members of APT and made a motion to post the final election results on the Adair Park website and on FB. Michelle Marcus seconded.

Durand Bailey called for a motion to adjourn. Michelle Marcus moved; Lawrence Miller seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.