

**Organized Neighbors of Summerhill (ONS)
Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2017**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by John Colabelli who requested a moment of silence to honor the victims of the recent mass shooting in Las Vegas, NV.

Quality of Life/Public Safety/Code Compliance

Major Durant from the Atlanta Police Department (APD) reiterated the horrific nature of the Las Vegas shooting and summarized APD's efforts to avoid similar incidents in Atlanta. He encouraged members to be vigilant and to abide by the "see something, say something" philosophy. He relayed that overall, crime remains down in our neighborhood. He warned attendees to be sure to lock car doors and pay attention while pumping gas as several opportunistic incidents have occurred at gas stations recently. He also discouraged attendees from keeping guns in their vehicles and to note the serial numbers of personal weapons.

Hot Topics

Colabelli shared that 112 Ormond had been purchased and the new owners are interested in ideas for its use. He stated he would post survey to solicit ideas.

Old Business

Colabelli announced that due to the change in secretary, minutes from the August meeting are not yet completed but will be posted on website as soon as possible.

New Business

A variance request for 757 Martin Street was presented (attachment) by Iesha White. After the developer's presentation request to reduce side setbacks from five feet to three feet, Jon Mickle, zoning committee chair, shared his insights and recommended denying the request to remain consistent with current zoning rules. The request was denied by vote of the membership with eight against and zero in support.

Program: Speaker/Event/Presentation

- Wanda Rasheed, treasurer, presented the third quarter financial report (attached) which was unanimously approved.
- John Helton, secretary, reported the board had decided to pursue creation of a community profile and case statement for future grant applications. He is contacting the Andre Young School of Policy Studies at GSU to execute.

- Bryan Adams informed the group the Phoenix II toddler-friendly playground addition's completion goal date is Spring 2018. \$30,000 has been identified from various sources for this project.
- The Public Safety report was deferred due to Michael Lievers' absence.
- Colabelli advised Carter is assisted in obtaining estimates for painting (mural) the Fulton street facing wall of the Ramada Plaza with the intent of approaching the hotel with the estimates to request they paint the wall.
- Colabelli advised Carter had pursued and received tax breaks from Invest Atlanta, the City of Atlanta's economic development agency; a \$4.9MM 10-year abatement was reported to be granted. Mo Avery stated tax payers are funding a tax credit for a large developer. Paul Salo suggested commercial lenders are not enthusiastically lending for new developments in historically under-developed areas and that the city's investment in the development instills confidence for lenders. Further discussion ensued with varying viewpoints. Jon Mickle advised he had a TAD board meeting on October 3, 2017 and would report the results of any relevant discussion back to ONS in November.
- Colabelli advised the ONS board was looking at dates for a fall clean-up and social event.

Announcements/Events and Updates

Colabelli shared that he felt the neighborhood fared well from the effects of the hurricane.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



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Third Quarter Financial Report 2017

	July	August	September
On hand Income 3rd Quarter 2017	\$11,555.46	\$15,613.88	\$15,604.49
Raffle Deposits 2017			

Summerhill T-shirts Sells		\$40.00	
½ of SMP Grant 2017	\$5,000.00		
½ of Shadows of Light Storytellers Project Grant			
Total	\$16,555.46	\$15,653.88	\$15,604.49

Expenses

	July	August	September
Office Supplies			
Parking Fee			
P.O. Mailbox Fee(yearly)			\$76.00
Printing	\$40.46	\$18.30	\$13.72
Friends of Park Pride's Fee (yearly)	\$50.00		
Tool Bank Fee(yearly)	\$15.00		
Website repair/upgrade			\$18.17
ONS/SNDC Reunion/Block Party Donation	\$300.00		
Shadows of Light Storytellers Project	\$536.12		\$233.99
Other Expense (Lunch)		\$31.09	
Total	- \$941.58	- \$49.39	- \$341.88
Balance Total	\$15,613.88	\$15,604.49	\$ 15,262.61