

**Organized Neighbors of Summerhill (ONS)
Monthly Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2018**

Call to Order

John Colabelli, president, called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves. Colabelli announced the business sponsor for tonight's meeting; The Little Tart Bakeshop donated gift certificates for use in the 50/50 raffle. They are anticipated to open a location in the Summerhill Georgia Avenue development

Quality of Life/Public Safety/Code Compliance

Colabelli commented and solicited feedback on a number of events and activities occurring in the neighborhood since the last meeting that were reported as disruptive. Specifically, the Foo Fighters concert, an Atlanta Track Club event and Igloo Fest generated a discussion of many concerns of the negative impact upon residents for noise, bright lights, crowd behavior and/or traffic and parking management issues. The Track Club event had spotlights that shone into nearby neighbors' windows. Colabelli stated he the Track Club was very apologetic and conveyed the lesson was learned. Lyft and Uber zones were also discussed as a recommendation to be made to Georgia State University (GSU) for future events.

A lengthy discussion of how to affect and utilize nuisance ordinances ensued with the decision made to conduct a survey of event impact to take to council woman Carla Smith for potential legislation.

Captain LeAnne Browning, Atlanta Police Department, reported on criminal activity occurring in the past month. She conveyed the ransomware attack on the City of Atlanta continues to affect the APD's ability to generate reports. She relayed theft from autos continues to drive crime in our zone and across the city. She encouraged residents to leave nothing in their cars when parked on street or in private driveways. She discussed rules regarding permitted events and concurred that a review of ordinances, such as that done for Chastain Park, was the appropriate strategy forward. The decision was made to form a study committee to research and make recommendations regarding nuisance ordinances. Volunteer participants of this committee include:

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| 1) Tahseen Drener (sp?) | 211 Bill Lucas | tahsen@drener.com |
| 2) Julie Jenkins | 706 Fraser Street | juliette.jenkins@hotmail.com |
| 3) Valerie Scott | 590 Martin Street | valerielscott@gmail.com |
| 4) Cheryl Turner | 77 Hammock Drive | 404.316.7197 |

Old Business

The prior meeting minutes from the May 7, 2018 meeting were approved.

New Business

Colabelli reintroduced the discussion of the outdated parking signs throughout the neighborhood and referenced the options listed on the back of the agenda. Colabelli stated he met with the city engineers the prior week and their best practice recommendations were to have (1) permit parking all the time, or (2) to establish a time-limited period for which the parking restriction would apply, such as 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. He emphasized for times covered by parking restrictions, residents must have a parking permit for their vehicle with the cost being \$20 per year; the annual permit comes with two guest passes. Concern was raised about how guest parking for private events and parties in homes would be handles. Colabelli conveyed the engineers suggested residents borrow passes from other neighbors or have guests carpool or use rideshare. After discussion, attendees voted to approve restricted parking from 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. This action will be recommended to Carla Smith's office.

Colabelli also advised the organization was pursuing the neighborhood parking and transportation study, approved at the April meeting, which would address a number of the discussion items related to parking.

Program: Speaker/Event/Presentation

Officer Reports:

- Bryan Adams, vice president, announced the order for Phoenix II playground equipment had been placed. A clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, May 19th. The mayor has been invited to the park unveiling on Saturday, June 2nd. Colabelli commended Brian and Wanda on their work securing funds for the playground and executing the plan. He said the house sign reveal would happen on the same day.
- John Helton, secretary, reported the neighborhood profile is almost complete providing a single report of data and information related to Summerhill. He stated the Stadium Neighborhood Communities Trust Fund continues its development of infrastructure and governance. Pro Bono Partnership will be consulted for an update of our by-laws; this is in process.
- Wanda Rasheed, treasurer, provided the month's financial activity. The month end balance is 18,824.34; the adjusted payables after anticipated payables is \$13,965.05.
- Michael Lievers, public safety, announced house sign design was almost complete and would likely be unveiled at the park reveal. He anticipates the price being \$35-\$40. He also reported the neighborhood watch program had been delayed due to the city suspending the program training; he intends to continue its development in the absence of the official training. A resident referenced the intersection of Martin Street at Fulton Street. When making a left turn from Martin onto Fulton (west), the right of way view is obstructed if a car is parked too close to the intersection. Michael stated he would report the curb needing to be painted yellow to 311.
- Colabelli introduced the co-chair for the parking and transportation ad-hoc committee, Liz Winslow. She gave an overview of their efforts and the RFP and solicited input regarding traffic/parking hotspots. Liz's email is elizabeth.winslow@gmail.com.
- Christina Nixon, education committee chair, shared information on the Jackson cluster GO Team survey which is currently active and encouraged everybody to complete the survey: [apsstrongschools.com/jacksonclusterconversation\](https://apsstrongschools.com/jacksonclusterconversation/)
- Colabelli provided several updates:
 - Carter has purchased Metropolitan Lofts, commercial loft space, in Adair Park at RDA and Metropolitan Pkwy. Carter clarified the purchase is pending and they hope to attract tenants who will bring quality of life value to the community rather than storage, etc.
 - He reported he learned one of the top five grocery chains in Atlanta is looking at the Hank Aaron corridor.
 - Alliance of American Football, a start-up league, is reportedly in talks with
 - 95 Unit affordable housing development is being planned south of the stadium near the belt-line.
 - NPU-V meeting is Monday, May 14, 2018; the meeting is hosted by Summerhill at the Georgia Hill Center.

Announcements/Events and Updates

Colabelli referenced announcements on back of the agenda and encouraged participation in the Summerhill Reunion on June 16, 2018. He solicited good news events and Mary Gay said her organization would have GSU football game tickets to distribute. More info to be distributed. A representative from Marvin Arrington's office made announcements (flyers distributed).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.