

**Organized Neighbors of Summerhill (ONS)
Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2018**

Call to Order

John Colabelli, president, called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. He announced that nominations for the new board would be accepted this meeting. Attendees introduced themselves.

Quality of Life/Public Safety/Code Compliance

Lt. Baldini from APD presented. She conveyed the convenience store at 12 Atlanta Street (at Hank Aaron) cannot sell alcohol at this point due to numerous violations. She explained that the perpetrator in the Bradley incident (below) was paranoid schizophrenic and was an isolated event. Colabelli asked if there has been an update to the noise ordinance; Baldini said she was not familiar with any updates. She said the zone's current agenda, within their capacity, is curfew violations including citing the parents.

Colabelli reported an assault incident happened on 9/9/18 in between Peoplestown and Summerhill; Ms. Terri Bradley was the victim. Alleged perpetrator was apprehended. There is a gofundme page set-up which Colabelli will send out. ONS decided to do a care package for up to \$300 for a care package. Members reported she is doing well with her recovery.

Old Business

The prior meeting minutes from the August and September meetings. Minutes were approved.

New Business

Colabelli explained the officer positions' duties (descriptions on agenda) and solicited nominations.

President: Mary Gay
Vice President: Cheryl Turner
Bryan Adams (TBD)
Secretary: Christina Nixon
Treasurer: Wanda Rasheed
Public Safety: Michael Lievers

Nominations will be accepted at the beginning of the November meeting.

Program: Speaker/Event/Presentation

Rick Laupus and Marni Davis presented on the "Georgia Avenue History Project", an initiative building on last year's "There's Something About Summerhill" project. They hope to have an exhibit space in the new Georgia Avenue development. Marni Davis, a history professor at GSU, had been researching her book on Summerhill and the southside neighborhoods. She proposes an interactive website and mapping component that will relay the history of geo-markers. She feels the research of the history of the area is important for understanding not only Atlanta but also other southern cities. They solicited contacts with people who may have historical connections to the neighborhood. They referenced a number of partners that have helped in the development of the projects and announced a new partnership with the Atlanta History Center. Martin Street Church of God and the Winn family, local residential developers, were identified as resources.

Officer Reports:

- Bryan Adams, vice president, shared copies of the Park Pride visioning plan and used the document to explain the survey, also distributed. The survey listed a number of options in different cost categories and survey-takers were asked to select desired projects totaling \$200K. He explained ONS is attempting to apply for a Park Pride Legacy grant for \$100K which requires an equal match. The original park visioning plan can be viewed at www.onsummerhill.org. Adams requested the attendees complete one survey and have another friend, neighbor or family member complete the second. The link to the survey will be sent out via all platforms after the meeting. The survey will be open through October 14, 2018.
- John Helton, secretary, reported the Stadium Neighborhood Communities Trust Fund continues its development of infrastructure and governance. The by-laws review and streamlining project continues as well with an intended completion date by end of the calendar year. A final SMP grant application was submitted for a \$10,000 cash match for the Park Pride grant and neighborhood clean-ups.
- Wanda Rasheed, treasurer, provided the quarterly financial report. The third quarter financial report was presented with an end balance of ;
- Michael Lievers was not present. Colabelli acknowledged and thanked Michael for managing the house sign project. He also relayed Michael is working on a way to honor the MARTA bus driver who intervened in the assault on Ms. Bradley.
- Christina Nixon relayed there were no new updates on the rezoning issue. October 20th is the Commit to King festival on the football field at MLK Middle School 10 am to 2 pm.
- Colabelli thanked Carter and Woods Chapel barbecue for the community event they sponsored.
- Colabelli discussed the half penny sales tax voted affirmatively last year for transportation projects. The final list to be voted upon this fall included projects that were not in the original plan, including the Clifton Corridor for heavy rail. Advocacy groups were successful in having the beltline rail regain its priority in the final list. Colabelli said this would increase neighborhood access.
- Colabelli updated on three items he had been working with Council person Carla Smith which ONS had voted for action:
 - Residential Housing Usage-limitation for number of non-related adults living in a rental
 - Permit Parking-ONS voted for “permit parking from 1 PM to 1 AM
 - Change of minimum house width from 20 feet to 15 feet

Announcements/Events and Updates

- Grant Park Lantern Parade is October 27th and a group will be walking from Summerhill-check with Christina Nixon for more info.
- Every Tuesday in October beginning October 16th -Martin Street Church of God-Mobile Food Truck will be present (handout provided)
- Reference events and updates on the agenda.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.