

Organized Neighbors of Summerhill Community Meeting Minutes  
October 5, 2020

(These minutes have been summarized to include both verbal comments, as well as questions and answers written in the Zoom chat box during ONS' virtual meeting. For clarity and ease of reading, chat box comments are recorded with the related subject matter. Vote totals are based on the number of attendees at the time of the vote, which varied throughout the meeting.)

- I. 7:03 PM - Welcome – Michael Lievers, President
- II. A. Review and Approve Minutes for September 2020
  - a. Motion to Approve: Randy Weaver, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kenneth Rasheed
  - b. **Minutes approved – 27 Yes**
- III. Mitsah Henry- Commissioner Arrington's Office
  - a. Fultonelections.com and apps on Apple and Google for information on voting
  - b. Fultonarts.org has been producing virtual classes. You may also. Visit the Fulton Facebook page
  - c. Question: What is Fulton doing differently to improve voting?
    - i. Mitsah- there is a voting van that is going to underserved areas.
    - ii. There has been more training done with more staffing and volunteers
    - iii. Seniors and disabled can skip the line
    - iv. There is also a YOUTUBE page FGTV
    - v. There are more polling places and drop-off boxes
    - vi. Early voting is encouraged
    - vii. Summerhill is now voting at the Grant Park Recreation Center as well as Fan Plex
- IV. Presidents Report
  - a. House signs are in. There are some extra you can order from the website
- V. Treasurer's Report – Wanda Rashad
  - a. Please see the attached documents. Please be aware that the Trust Fund accidentally deposited into the General Account their first payment of \$50,000. It has been moved to the appropriate Parks Account.
- VI. Public Safety – Arnie Moskowitz
  - a. 600 Martin Street and 828 Martin Street shootings- no new leads from APD
  - b. 1300 block Hill Street – investigation of shots fired turned up no information
  - c. Remember to leave a "clean car"
- VII. Variance of 148 Crumley
  - a. Kyle Williams – requesting side and back variances. R4BC nonconforming lot. It is deficient in lot size and frontage for current zoning. Desiring to reduce side and back set back from 5 feet to 3 feet. Kyle would like to work with neighbors. The intention is for it to be an owner occupied home.
  - b. Courtney Christy – neighbor of the lot. The house plans are oversized for the lot size. This lot was not intended to have a house when the neighborhood was put in. 3 foot widths to neighbors is too small on both sides. They are concerned

about drainage in an already flood prone area, access and maintenance. The lot proposal is over 85% lot coverage and the zoning is for 75%.

- c. Ed Woods lives at 154 Crumley, nextdoor – there has been very little notice of this. The Richmond Street neighbors who border this property will be also adversely affected. This property was originally donated to the Land Bank. The previous owner of an adjacent house was then given the deed to the property. When the owner died, the family who inherited chose to sell the house but not the additional lot. The then owner decided to sell to the developer a lot that did not meet the zoning standards to be built on. The homes on the rest of the street are to code, not 3 foot setbacks.
  - d. Susan Wilson HOA President of Orchard Court – this lot is directly across from the entrance to Orchard Court. There already problems with large vehicles , trash trucks making the turn radius to make the turn onto Orchard Ct. Neighbors have been asked to not park in front of the lot so that large vehicles can make the turn. A house with a small set back and a car parked in front will make Orchard Ct inaccessible without large trucks driving onto private property.
  - e. Motion: Kenneth Moves to Deny Variance to 154 Crumley. **28 vote to deny variance, 1 abstains**
- VIII. Short Term Rentals- there is legislation to prohibit short term rentals of less than 30 days in residential areas. Feedback is needed for Carla Smith and to NPUV. There is not vote at this time.
- a. Bobby – suggesting variation if the rental property is owner occupied but for a stand alone for rental only
  - b. Cheryl Bennett – sitting in for Carla Smith
  - c. Michael Lievers- would like to see some regulations for Short Term Rentals (STR) rather than deny them entirely
  - d. Angus Guberman – kicking them out doesn't help the 'little guy'. Some regulations could be good to avoid party houses.
  - e. Kenneth Rasheed – STR has gotten out of control in our neighborhood. Supports legislation to restrict
  - f. Suzanne Mitchell- concerned about student housing moving in. Soon Summerhill residential homes will be a minority. We need to protect the single family units, our seniors and our higher need families.
  - g. Cheryl Bennett – email [Csmith@atlantaga.gov](mailto:Csmith@atlantaga.gov)
- IX. Alliance Theatre – Jody Feldman
- a. Alliance Theatre comes to the Summerhill Lots with a Radio play of A Christmas Carol. 120 cars on the lot for the show. No Walk Ups
  - b. This will be at the corner of Hank Aaron and Ga Ave.
  - c. Load in Nov 27, First performance Dec 4. Last show Dec 23. Shows Thursday-Sunday 7 PM
- X. Carter Update – Adam Parker
- a. Still negotiating with grocery store
  - b. Ga.Ave Tenants have increased outdoor seating and parking

- c. Projects Under Construction : Phase II will be wrapped up in November. Maypole (restaurant from Athens) is in permitting, Units on Hank Aaron should be finished Summer 2021.
  - d. Cameras for Martin St Apts. Met with Carter, City of ATL.... All city cameras are in use. If we rent them they'd be \$2000 a month but considering if trust fund is an option for permanent cameras.  
 Questions regarding Carter properties: visit Summerhillatl.com
    - i. City of Atlanta is in charge of replacing hoops in park
    - ii. Plans of Phoenix Park II can be put on the website
    - iii. We still do not have an official Police liason. Officer Ballidini and Mjr Peake are helping
    - iv. Carter's conversations of street improvements with City have been put on hold due to COVID
    - v. Who has Olympic memorabilia plans? Carter is waiting to consider plans due to BRT coming to Hank Aaron
    - vi. Tents on Lots – affiliated with filming
- XI. Stadium Neighborhood Trust Fund – John Helton – <https://snctrustatl.org>
- a. There are 2 openings on the Trust Fund board. Email Carla Smith if you are interested in serving. letter of application needs to be submitted for consideration.
- XII. Parks Report - Wanda Rasheed
- a. Watering at Heritage Park 2 days a week. Volunteers needed. Sign Up Genius on our Facebook page to volunteer
  - b. Waiting on exercise equipment for Phoenix II
  - c. Phoenix III will involve an amphitheatre
  - d. Heritage Park – waiting on final approval from the City for the sails
- XIII. By-Laws
- a. Michael encourages everyone to go to By Laws link : <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pz11a9ueMncxllK5f7cpnZvtVbN6V87UGoqRlhZehI/edit>
  - b. Please make any comments to the current By Laws. There is a comment sidebar on the Google Doc
- XIV. Elections in November- Must be a resident and have attended 6 meetings in the last 12 months. If we do not have eligible candidates, we will have to consider our next steps.
- a. Valerie- sent an email to those eligible from our attendance roll. She asked if anyone who thinks they are eligible who did not receive an email to notify Secretary@Onsummerhill.org
  - b. All 5 positions are open
  - c. Nominations:
    - i. John Helton nominates Phil Olaleye for President. Phil Accepts
    - ii. Wanda Rasheed nominates Arnie Moskowitz for Public Safety – Arnie Accepts
  - d. Nominations will remain open until voting in November.

- XV. Zoning
  - a. 160 Little- still under review. We have made our position known to NPUV and to Carla Smith that we are not in favor of the rezoning
  - b. 460 Connelly – borders us- this zoning was declined by the neighborhood and NPUV and will go on to City. Carla Smith is aware of our position on this as well
- XVI. Perry- Corner Storage
  - a. Proposes a storage unit in Summerhill. He is asking if there is any area that in Summerhill where we would consider a climate controlled self storage.
  - b. Strong feedback in the chat window against having one in Summerhill
- XVII. Open Discussion:
  - a. Donald Shockey – concern for safety of Frasier Street between Bass Street and Bill Lucas. There is Kudzu growing over the sidewalk and discarded furniture
  - b. Dumpster parked with trash surrounding it at 762 along with a junked car.
  - c. Donald has emailed the city. It was cleaned up in Feb. but the mess has returned. Trammell Crowe is going to be developing there but it is currently unsafe and unsightly. (Point of Information: Donald brought this up at NPUV the week following this meeting and some action has been taken)
  - d. Ga State owns the lot on Capital and Hank Aaron
- XVIII. Motion to Adjourn – John Helton, 2<sup>nd</sup> from Randy Weaver



### Treasurer’s Report September 2020

Account	Statement Period
Primary Business Checking	09/01/2020 – 09/30/2020
Description	Amount
Beginning Balance	\$19,671.05
Deposits: Trust Fund Deposit	<u>+\$50,000.00</u>
Account Balance:	\$69,671.05
Checks: Check Payment for Hydrant Deposit	\$2,900.00
Debits: Transfer of Trust Funds to Parks Bank Account	\$50,000.00
Wire Transfer Fee	\$15.00
USPS P. O. Box Rental (One Year)	\$106.00
Home Depot Equipment for Watering	<u>- \$ 113.10</u>
Total Debits	\$53,134.10
Ending Balance:	\$16,536.95



## Treasurer's Report September 2020 Part A

Account	Statement Period
Secondary Business Parks Checking	09/01/2020 – 09/30/2020
Description	Amount
Beginning Balance	\$113.43
Deposits: Transfer Primary Account	+ <u>\$50,000.00</u>
Account Balance:	\$50,113.43
Checks: 0	
Debits: 0	
Total Debits: 0	—
Ending Balance:	\$50,113.43