

**WEST PACES/NORTHSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Tuesday, APRIL 13, 2021**  
**Meeting Held via Zoom**

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\*Minutes will be officially approved at the next board meeting.

**President's Welcome:** President Jim Hannon opened the meeting at 7:00PM. Tonight's meeting was held virtually through Zoom secondary to the COVID19 pandemic. Board attendees were as follows:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Present</i>
Jim Hannon	X
Rip Black	X
Alva McGovern	X
John Stebbins	X
Jill Cooper	
Alcina Dalton	X
Steve Dickson	X
Mike Elting	
Maxine Feinstein	
Tom Frolik	X
Matthew Grabowski	X
Charles Hoke	X
Alfred Kallingal	X
Anne Muller Wise	
Eddie Padgett	X
Sherry Perchik	
Emily Richardson	X
Margaret Roberts	X
Rick Robbins	X
Teresa Shell	X
Meredith Shaughnessy	X
Stephen Weizenecker	

Jim announced several committee changes. Alcina Dalton will Chair the Security Committee and Mike Elting and Matt Grabowski will join that committee. Meredith Shaughnessy and Margaret Roberts will join the Membership Committee.

**Neighborhood Relations Committee:** The NRC met in March with no new reports. In a subsequent email, Pace reported that they had purchased a new property that is not contiguous to the Pace property. They did not disclose its exact location. It was reported that administrative personnel reside in the property Pace purchased at 943 Gatewood in 2019. It is believed they are updating the house on Rilman also purchased in 2019 next to the Early Learning driveway. It is believed the current Pace/WPNA agreement expires in 2028 (on October 31<sup>st</sup>..

**Buckhead City:** Jim reported that at the end of the recent Georgia legislative session a bill was passed allowing for the Buckhead City proposal. The bill will be discussed further in their next legislative session. Our neighborhood lies within the boundaries of the proposed Buckhead City limits.

**Secretary's Report:** Secretary, Alva McGovern had previously emailed the proposed minutes of the March Board meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded. The Board voted to approve the minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer John Stebbins reported a balance of \$91,004.38 on March 31 with a total of 285 paid members. The treasurer's report had previously been emailed to the Board Members. A motion was made to approve the treasurer's report and it was seconded. The Board approved the treasurer's report.

**Security Committee:** Chairwoman Anne Muller Wise was not present at the meeting thus Eddie Padgett made the Security Report. Eddie reported that individuals driving a black Charger stole 2 chain saws from a landscaping truck. It was suggested to advise our lawn maintenance crews to be particularly vigilant about their property.

New Magnetic signs were distributed to each of our patrolling officers. The sign designates our officers as Atlanta Police and has WPNA written on it.

It was suggested that any emergency calls need to go to 911 and not to a cell phone previously used by our patrol. Our security officers are alerted to any 911 calls. The 911 operators can access the blue lights in the neighborhood.

**Membership Committee:** Chairman Alfred Kallingal reported 285 current members. Prior to tonight's meeting, Alfred had sent a suggested membership letter to be used by Block Captains to reach out to unpaid residents. He also sent a list of unpaid residents. It was suggested that a personal visit might be most effective in persuading residents to join.

A Board member reported that a local resident who is a real estate agent requested a hard copy of the membership list. It was discussed and the group agreed that any paid member can login to the website and access the current list of members, therefore we would not supply a member with such a list.

It was noted that all stickers on mailboxes are current. The Membership Committee or the Block Captains will now distribute membership stickers.

**Zoning & Traffic Committee:** Chairwoman Sherry Perchik was not present so Rip Black made the report. Rip reported that the replanting of the GA EPD-required grass, shrubs, and trees at the previously disturbed section of the Howell Mill/Chick-fil-A site had been completed. It was noted that the on-site earthen ramp used to access the property may not have been cleaned up and replanted so Rip agreed to follow-up on that. The Georgia DOT permit for their proposed 'Ramp Improvement Project' expires at the end of April. However, this does not exclude the current or another private developer from trying to build on the property so it was suggested that we all be vigilant watching any movement there.

Rip reiterated the need to watch for any possible Pace property purchases.

Rip reported that he and Kim Shorter, an engineer, walked the proposed Dakota Subdivision property located at 3320 Northside Drive. The ca. 5 acres is owned by Cathy Jones and was part of her family's home, which is located on West Paces Ferry and is also for sale. David Childers with Macallan Homes proposed to build 8 homes on the property. Kim Shorter filed a report with the City, saying there was a stream running through the property, which would require a 75-foot buffer and thus impact the proposal. It appears the stream impacts 4 of the 8 proposed lots. A City Subdivision Review Committee (SRC) Zoom meeting will be held tomorrow night, April 14 to discuss the proposal. NPU met last week and voted against the project after hearing from a neighbor whose property is near the stream and floods when there is a strong rain.

Because Kim Shorter has also previously completed unpaid work, which has benefitted the neighborhood, it was suggested that we compensate her in some way. John Stebbins, Sherry, and Rip will meet to determine the appropriate compensation.

**Beautification Committee:** Tom Frolik, Chair of the Beautification Committee reported that the wall on Northside Parkway was painted approximately 10 years ago by the WPNA and now needs repainting. Tom will report back next month with bids for the project.

**Communications Committee:** Committee Chair, Teresa Shell will not put a list of Board Members' contact information on the website. Members can log into the members only website and find the needed information.

The Buckhead Council of Neighborhoods reports that JP Matzigkeit is advocating repaving West Paces Ferry. At their next meeting on May 13, they will discuss the proposed zoning changes. The BCN is advocating that our Council members vote against this proposal. In the proposal, Mayor Keisha Bottoms is seeking to expand

zoning for multi-family housing. A Board member noted that the new Biden proposal would also encourage similar zoning changes in U.S. cities through the use of increased infrastructure benefits.

**New Business:** Jim reported that Mary Norwood requested a time to speak to the neighborhood. Since this a politically motivated request, it was decided that she would be allowed a few minutes before the beginning of a Board meeting, which has been our usual allotment for candidates. The meeting we will offer is August 5.

It was agreed to form a Film Task Force to study whether or not to go forward with recommendations and guidelines when film production goes on in our neighborhood.

The next WPNA Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 11.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Alva McGovern, Secretary