

WEST PACES/NORTHSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday, September 15, 2020
Meeting Held via Zoom

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

President Steve Dickson called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

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

President's Welcome: President Steve Dickson opened the meeting at 7:00 pm. Tonight's meeting was held virtually through Zoom secondary to the COVID19 pandemic. Henry Feinstein was also present. Eddie introduced Officer James Hoos of the Atlanta Police Department who has been working our neighborhood for the past 3 years and has been an active-duty Atlanta Police Officer for 20 years. He expressed an interest in the position and was recommended by Officer Mulkey. Steve, Ann, and Eddie all interviewed him for the position. He will assume the primary responsibilities for patrolling our neighborhood upon the retirement of Officer David Mulkey. Officer Hoos feels we have a quiet neighborhood and he looks

forward to working with us. He was asked if people who leave their keys in their car could be penalized but there is no such provision for that. He was asked about an attempted kidnapping near Nancy Creek. He did not have information about that specific incident but he was aware of another "legitimate" kidnapping attempt. He offered his email address: JHoos@AtlantaGA.Gov

Secretary's Report: The proposed minutes for the meeting held on August 18, 2020 had previously been emailed to the Board. 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 presented the Treasurer's Report of August 31, 2020 financials to the Board. John reported that the Report reflected an ending balance of \$44,446.31. \$570.00 was collected for membership dues. The primary expense remains security, averaging around \$5,700.00 per month. \$976.51 was spent for Credit Card Fees/Wild Apricot. The current balance is approximately the same as last year's balance at this time. The Board approved the Treasurer's Report.

Security Committee: Eddie reports that Pace has agreed to pay WPNA \$12,000 for the balance of this year's commitment for security., since the City of Atlanta decided we no longer needed more blue light cameras in the neighborhood. Pace has also agreed to pay \$25,000 directly to WPNA for security for 2021. Theresa asked if Pace's enrollment is in keeping with the cap agreed upon with the neighborhood. Steve said he will follow up on that with Pace at the next NRC meeting.

Membership Committee: Alfred Kallingal reported there were 40 unpaid members from last year and cited various reasons, including those members who may have moved. 260 have paid from last year. Alfred is looking for suggestions to raise membership next year. He said one consideration, is monthly follow-up emails until the fees are paid. Janet reported there are a number of houses on Paces Forest that do not have 2020 membership stickers on the mailboxes. Some may be new to the neighborhood and some of the houses may be vacant. Rick offered to call/visit those households, as he knows many of them. Steve suggested we pay attention to the mailboxes without a current membership sticker and suggested we as Board members reach out to those households. Alva suggested that previously a welcome package which included information about WPNA, as well as coupons or calendars from the vendors in our shopping center, were given to new households during face-to-face initial meetings. Alfred said meeting people in person has the biggest impact. Rip suggested setting a goal of 300 members for 2021. Rick and Janet offered to help Alfred.

Zoning & Transportation Committee: Rip reported talking with Linda Trower, our NPU representative, and that she reports not much is going on in the neighborhood right now. As promised at our last meeting, Rip followed up with Bob Mills at Pace Academy regarding the progress of their construction project. Although they are not

allowing visitors, Bob gave Rip an update. The igloo-like pipes have been buried and the water management portion of the project is complete. 250,000 gallons of water are now being captured, held, and slowly released, thus slowing the flow down Rilman Road. Someone reported that clay filled water had been captured on film on Rilman Road. So far, it is not confirmed how helpful the project has been. Matt asked if there were any plans to complete a sidewalk on Rilman to Ashworth Court as part of the construction project. Rip said he would ask Caldwell to inquire about it through the NRC. It was noted that turning left onto West Paces Ferry from Pinestream is becoming increasingly hazardous due to shrubs, which are blocking the view of oncoming traffic. Steve will approach Doug Morgan the owner of said property.

Beautification Committee: Tom Frolik reported there is not much to report. There is still a lot of trash on Northside Parkway.

Communications Committee: Theresa Shell reported mailing safety emails out this month. She presented a resolution adopted by the Buckhead Council of Neighborhoods addressing illegal street racing, illegal truck traffic, and illegal noise violations. Violators of this resolution include anyone organizing said events, betting on said events, or participating in said events. The Board voted to endorse the resolution.

New Business: The Board agreed to give Officer Mulkey a gift card of \$250 to the Blue Ridge Grill. Ann Muller offered to speak with the Manager at the Blue Ridge Grill to explore whether they would like to add to our gift. At this time, it is not known who will patrol the shopping center after Officer Mulkey's retirement.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Alva McGovern, Secretary