Westview Community Organization

March 2, 2020
Calvary United Methodist Church
1471 Ralph David Abernathy Boulevard

1. **Call to Order -** 7:03PM
2. **Reflective Thoughts -** Rosalyn Lamb
    a. Rosalyn provided reflective thoughts for Women's History Month.
3. **Reading and Approval of the Minutes**
    a. Motion to Approve – Matt Garbett, 2nd by – Emma Jean.
        i. Yays – 13
        ii. Nays – 0
        iii. Abstentions – 0
4. **Zone 4 Public Safety Update – John Egbert**
    a. Zone 4 has a new major, Major Tyus*
    b. Jason advised that Larceny has been a major concern recently.
    c. Matt Garbett reminded the officer of the safety concerns with regards to cyclist and vehicles using the bike lanes to advert traffic.
    d. Kyle Lamont inquired about the Auto Zone parking lot on Cascade and required additional police presence to help curb the activity.
5. **Treasurer's Report – provided and reviewed during meeting**
    a. $3, 347.44 – current account balance, only expenses were administrative website.
6. **Old Business**
    a. **Westview Flooding/Watershed Project**
        i. Jake provided a brief background and update on the project in addition to a letter, which will be made available online.
        ii. Jake also mentioned the efforts to clean up alleys in the neighborhood as well as the bioretention project in the works. Information regarding the bioretention project was provided during the meeting and will be made available online.
        iii. Stephanie Ramage (City Ombudswoman) provided some additional insight. Summer of 2019 watershed ran a camera through the waterlines. There was a glitch in procurement that has since been straightened out and all of that footage from the past summer is now under review. Later in the process, affected property owners will be reached out to for discussions. She cautioned to take photos of every aspect of the yard. Watershed is responsible for restoring whatever land they disturb in the process. There is no timeline regarding this currently, until the footage is reviewed to understand the scope of work.
    b. **Atlanta Beltline**

i. Jason updated the community on a recent meeting with the Beltline this past Thursday. Contracts are currently under negotiation on who will be responsible for taking over maintenance of the Beltline, as a whole. More information to come as we receive it.

c. Beltline Subarea/LCI Master Plan

i. Jason urged community to show up and be present for this meeting so that Westview's voice is heard. The last meeting was heavily attended by West End and Westview needs to make sure our voice is heard**.**

7. New Business:

a. Westview Votes: Mr. Kyle Lamont

i. Kyle Lamont presented his platform for House District 57. Visit www.kylelamont.com for more information on his platform. 404.655.8537

ii. March 24th – Presidential Primary Election

iii. May 19th – Fulton County Primary Election

b. Friends of John A White Park – Jeff Elrod

i. Resident of Cascade and founder of *Friends of John A White Park* est. Nov 2019. Promoting a clean up of the park this March 7th, 2020 @ 9am – noon. www.friendsofjohnawhitepark.org or jeff@friendsofjohnawhitepark.org, 913.683.9846.

c. Wren's Nest

i. Brer Rabbit Blues & BBQ – March 29th 1pm – 5pm

8. Committee Reports

a. Events – Louis Ali

i. Call for March porch party host. March 28th.

b. Beautification – TBD

i. Yard of the Month contest will kick off in April.

c. Vintage Westview Activists – Mr. Wesley and Mrs. Emma Jean

d. Engagement and Development – Kiyomi Rollins

i. Hoping to plan an event for May 23rd to highlight our corridor as part of the fellowship grant received. More information to come as we get closer.

ii. West End Mall developers will be holding a meeting at The Ke'nekt. Once the official details are available, they will be provided.

e. NPU and Advocacy – Paulette Montague

i. Voting has been shifted to the beginning of the NPU meeting. Please ensure you show up and your attendance is logged.

f. Youth and Education – Lyric, Treasure and Mariah + Bonner Scholars

g. Zoning and Public Safety – Ann Hill-Bond

i. Ann met with Walter Slayton to learn what input we have on design. While we do not have any input, we can still engage the developers and request design match the neighborhood.

ii. Committee meets the last Thursday of the month. March 26th 10am – 11am – location TBD. We have formally requested from the City of Atlanta, that they stop accepting applications in the 11th hour which hinders all parties involved in the process.

h. Executive

i. Jason presented information regarding the 2020 census and its importance. Invitations should begin coming March 12th – 20th**.**

9. Community Concerns, Questions and Announcements

a. Councilwoman Cleta Winslow

i. Presented information regarding updating voting machines/technology. There will be 2 demonstrations Sat March 7th and Sat March 21st from 5PM – 7PM at 850 Oak Street SW.

ii. Additionally, scholarships are available for 2 residents for Park Pride – Atlanta Botanical Gardens. Contact Cleta Winslow at 404.216.1701.

iii. Councilwoman Cleta Winslow will be donating $300 towards this year's Westview Solstice.

10. Adjournment – 8:21PM

<u>Community Reminders</u>

- **Beltline Subarea/LCI Master Plan March 5th 6PM LEE + White**
- **NPU T Meeting 3/12 7pm – LEE + WHITE**
- **Census Ambassador Training 3/12 2:30PM CITY HALL please RSVP: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2020-atlcounts-censu-ambassador-training-tickets-94723375165**