



MORNINGSIDE LENOX PARK ASSOCIATION

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes July 13, 2020

Board members present: *(strikethrough indicates not present)*

President - Ben Nemo

Vice President - Donald Campbell

Treasurer - Lynn Ayers

Secretary - Grant Gandy

Communications - Micah Coleman

Events - Alan Smith

Membership - Sarah Chatel

Education - Kristen Pollock

Neighborhood Watch - Phyllis Wingo

Parks - Charles Bayless & Marla Johnson

Security Patrol - Tosh Wolfe

Traffic - Kim Cobb

Zoning - Rebekah Falkler

At-Large 1 - Kevin Tanner

At-Large 2 - Will Hazleton

Call to Order and Welcome.

Ben Nemo called the Zoom meeting to order.

State Representative Candidate Stacey Evans.

A bill at the state level to guide AirBnB rentals did not make it out of committee. Legislation reforming police departments may be taken up in the next session of the General Assembly. She encouraged neighbors to reach out with issues that they would like to discuss.

AirBnB.

Problematic AirBnB rentals in the neighborhood have been accompanied by crimes against neighbors. MLPA is working with the city to better understand the laws on short-term rentals and why they are not being enforced.

Transportation.

MLPA will explore working with the city's new transportation department to educate drivers and pedestrians on new bike lanes that have been installed on neighborhood streets.

2021 Board Recruiting.

Ben asked the board to seek out new board members to serve on MLPA. The board will publicize opportunities for neighbors to serve on the board or to help with MLPA initiatives.

Zoning.

New setback requirements for garages will be discussed at the next NPU meeting.

Security.

The board made a motion to support Atlanta Police Department Zones 2 and 6 by providing money (\$500 for each zone) for personal protective equipment for officers. The motion was unanimously approved.

Membership.

Welcome packets are being mailed to new neighbors. YTD membership fees are \$100,540 vs. \$86,635 last year. The board approved a motion to send a mailer to lapsed members. The motion was unanimously approved.

Education.

APS has recommended beginning the school year in a virtual capacity. The school year may be delayed for two weeks to allow teachers to develop virtual learning plans. Hillside will be operating in person learning. Kristen Pollock recommends publicizing Hillside's wish list for school supplies since children cannot share school supplies. MLPA will explore a virtual event with MES PTA to share information on coping with this school year. MLPA will publicize APS meetings.

Parks.

The work on Sunken Garden Park has finished and drainage has improved. The tennis court resurfacing at Lenox-Wildwood has been completed. Sidney Marcus fundraising continues. Phase II fundraising for Noble Park is underway. Play equipment is closed during this phase of COVID-19 shutdowns.

Financial Statements.

The board unanimously approved June's financial statements.

Adjourn Meeting.