



MORNINGSIDE LENOX PARK ASSOCIATION

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
December 14, 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.

Public Officials.

City Council Member Jennifer Ide - Ide is hopeful that there will be a presentation on Monroe Drive Complete Streets in Q1 2021. A redevelopment at Amsterdam Walk will be discussed in the new year. Johnson Road striping and median work continues. Ben Nemo asked Councilmember Ide about leaf blowers. She said that environmental concerns need to be handled at a state level. Noise could be handled at the city level. Ide has reached out to colleagues in the state legislature on matters related to street racing.

Major Peter Reis.

The crack down on street racing continues. The police have cited racers for numerous issues including loud exhaust.

Zoning.

V-20-136	1746 Noble Drive	Board Approved: 13/0/0 Committee Approved: 4/0/0
Applicant seeks to increase lot coverage by one percentage point to 57.59% and increase encroachment into front setback by approximately 5'8" more. This will make the total encroachment into the setback 10'9", as the house is already in the setback 5'1".		
	<i>Letters in support from neighbors: Yes</i>	<i>Applicant present: Yes</i>

V-20-156	1159 Cumberland Road	Board Approved: 13/0/0 Committee Approved: 4/0/0
Applicant seeks to enclose an existing screen porch that encroaches in the setback.		
	<i>Letters in support from neighbors: No</i>	<i>Applicant present: Yes</i>

Security.

Tom Rollings is the new neighborhood watch chair. MLPA received \$2,000 from Jennifer Ide's office to increase patrols in the Manchester and Lidell areas. Patrols in those areas have highlighted some infractions that are code related, some that are traffic related and some that are criminal.

A motion was made to approve spending \$250 on holiday gift cards for Zone 2 police officers. The motion was approved unanimously. A motion was made to approve spending \$2,860 on Zone 6 police officers and firefighters. The motion was approved unanimously.

Atlanta Police Department officers apprehended a package thief and responded to a shooting on Monroe Drive.

The board discussed the patrol of condominiums and multi-family homes within Morningside-Lenox Park.

Membership.

The response to signs was great and the signs will be placed around the neighborhood in the spring.

Parks.

The board made a motion to allocate \$5,000 to repair the boardwalks in Morningside Nature Preserve. The board made a motion to allocate up to \$5,000 for educational signage and repairs in Herbert Taylor Park and Daniel Johnson Nature Preserve. Both motions were approved unanimously.

Morningside Elementary.

The project manager of the Morningside Elementary renovation would like to have a Zoom call with the MLPA board and various committees (traffic, safety, etc.) so that MLPA can provide information to the neighborhood. The project would also like to meet neighbors that live adjacent to the school and would be directly affected by the construction. The project management team is also willing to do a larger call with the broader Morningside-Lenox Park community. Construction is expected to begin in February.

Administrative.

A motion to approve the financial statements was unanimously approved. A motion to approve November minutes was unanimously approved.

Adjourn Meeting.