

Beecher-Donnelly Community Association Monthly Meeting Minutes - 9/16/2008

Recorded by Chen Chang, Secretary

Introductions

Attending residents introduced themselves. Vice-President, April Anderson, and Secretary, Chen Chang, conducted the meeting. President, Cheryl Bobo, was absent due to commitment.

Review of August 2008 Minutes

No corrections were suggested for the minutes. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Financial Report

Secretary, Chen Chang, spoke about donations which have been contributed thus far by executive committee members as well as the Boys and Girls club. Funding for meeting reminder signs will be from resident donations. Once the costs of the signs are ascertained, BDCA will ask for donations from the residents.

Financial reports will be provided at future meetings to provide an accounting of BDCA's financial position as well as detail financial transactions which have occurred in the previous month.

HouseProud

Chen Chang inquired to see if anyone has signed up with HouseProud. Ray Clarke says that Tommy Hutchinson did inquire about drainage repair but the work was deemed unqualified.

West End Security Patrol

Chen Chang inquired to see if anyone has signed up with West End Security Patrol. No signups reported.

Neighborhood Watch Program

Chen Chang has inquired about starting neighborhood watches. Lillian Robinson from Atlanta Police has been invited to speak about this program at the next meeting.

Block Captain Sign-Ups and Training

Chen Chang informed residents about Block Watch Captain training offered by Atlanta Police Department and the City of Atlanta Public Safety Committee. Training on October 4th has already been filled up. Signups for next training can be made via email or phone to:

Debbie Jackson
Atlanta Police Department
404-853-4380
dljackson@atlantaga.gov

See flyer for additional information.

Chen Chang also offered the idea of splitting the Beecher Donnelly neighborhood up into blocks to facilitate communication. Block captains will assist in distributing information to block residents. Captains will also help lead initiatives for their blocks. Examples of initiatives include neighborhood watch program, code enforcement reporting, etc. Chen asked for volunteers.

The following blocks were volunteered for:

Cascade Avenue SW (Donnelly Avenue SW to Allegheny Street SW): Sharon Stewart
Oglethorpe Avenue SW (Cascade Avenue SW to Donnelly Avenue SW): Magrick Lewis, Renee Harris
Copeland Avenue SW (Cascade Avenue SW to Rochelle Drive SW): Natasha Davis
Bernice Street SW (Donnelly Avenue SW to Allegheny Street SW): Sandra Terrell
Allegheny Street SW (Cascade Avenue SW to Rochelle Drive SW): Leola Brewster, Laura Savage
Cascade Place SW (Allegheny Street SW to Beecher St SW): Chen Chang
Beecher Street SW (Cascade Ave SW to Rochelle Drive SW): Ray Clarke
Beecher Street SW (Rochelle Drive SW to Pinehurst Terrace SW): April Anderson
Beecher Street SW (Pinehurst Terrace SW to Donnelly Avenue SW): Margaret Jones

The following blocks are still in need of captains:

Cascade Avenue SW (Allegheny Street SW to Beecher Street SW)
Rochelle Drive SW (Oglethorpe Avenue SW to Allegheny Street SW)
Rochelle Drive SW (Allegheny Street SW to Beecher Street SW)
Donnelly Avenue SW (Cascade Avenue SW to Allegheny Street SW)
Donnelly Avenue SW (Allegheny Street SW to Lawton Street SW)
Allegheny Street SW (Rochelle Drive SW to Donnelly Avenue SW)
Pinehurst Terrace (Allegheny Street SW to Beecher Street SW)
Atwood Street SW (Donnelly Avenue SW to Beecher Street SW)

BDCA Bylaws

April Anderson distributed drafts of the BDCA bylaws. She asked for everyone to read the bylaws and submit change requests to any of the members of the executive committee. All change requests will be brought up for discussion at the next monthly meeting. Please submit all comments and corrections by 9/30.

Upcoming Elections and Nominations

April spoke about upcoming elections. BDCA will be holding elections for the President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer positions. Nominations may be submitted by anyone. Nominees must be present at elections to be considered. Nominees can turn down nominations. Please submit nominations to any of the members of the executive committee.

Power Wheelchair

Roy from Real Friends Outreach talked about the free power wheelchair program. Medicare pays for 100% of all cost. Resident, Margaret Jones, has obtained a power wheelchair through this group. For more information, contact:

Roy
Real Friends Outreach
678-698-7777

Harvest Fest

The CVC Urban Farm at 779 Atwood will be holding a Harvest Fest on 11/1. Please contact Cheryl Bobo for additional information.

Speed Hump Installation

Margaret Jones and Annie Marshall volunteered to find out about how to get speed humps installed to discourage speeding traffic.