

Beecher-Donnelly Community Association Monthly Meeting Minutes - 10/21/2008

Recorded by Chen Chang, Secretary

Introductions

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

Review of October 2008 Minutes

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

HouseProud

Jonathon Kidwell of Atlanta Community ToolBank (<http://atlanta.toolbank.org>) returned to speak about the HouseProud program. General information about the program:

- No cost home repairs for senior homeowners (60 year or older) or disabled homeowners
- Government sponsored program
- Work done by contractors and skilled volunteers
- Paperwork required:
 - Government issued photo ID
 - Copy of income for all occupants
 - Copy of home owner insurance
 - Copy of utility bill
- Repairs can take up to 4 months
- Couple of weeks wait time once application is filled out

Additional information is available at <http://www.houseproudatl.org> .

Questions can be directed to:

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Neighborhood Watch Program

Inspector Lillian Robinson of Atlanta Police Department spoke about neighborhood watch program. She advised that the best way to prevent crime is to decrease opportunity for criminals. Block watch captain training will be held on November 1 at City Hall East.

Meeting Signs

April Anderson has asked Councilwoman Clea Winslow for donation. She issued a challenge. If the community contributes \$50, she will match with \$50 for the purchase of the signs. Signs will be \$10 each. Signs will take about 1-2 days to make. Block captains will be responsible for posting signs the weekend before the meeting. April contributed \$10. Chen contributed \$10. Residents contributed \$48.

Neighborhood Assessments

April Anderson thanked the following block captains for completing neighborhood assessments of their blocks: Leola Brewster, Laura Savage, Gwendolyn Mallory, Magrick Lewis, Rey Clarke and Chen Chang.

Block Captain Volunteers

Cheryl Bobo volunteered for Atwood Street. Sasha Tutt also volunteered for a block. Block assignment for Sasha to be determined after meeting

Harvest Day

Harvest Day was scheduled for 11/1 but had to be cancelled due to other events. Cheryl gave overview of the farm at Atwood. Patrice Hector requested more information to be emailed out to her. Cheryl asked for residents to suggest a day in November for the Harvest Day to be rescheduled to. Decision was made for possible dates to be brought to November meeting for discussion.

Upcoming Elections and Nominations

Chen Chang asked for nominations from the floor. Cheryl Bobo nominated April Anderson for President. Patrice Hector volunteered for Vice-President. April Anderson nominated Chen Chang for Secretary/Treasurer.

Bylaws

Bylaws were distributed last month. Rey Clarke still had comments/corrections. Executive committee agreed to extend the deadline for all changes, suggestions, and comments to October 31st.

Community Summit

2008 Community Summit will be held on November 8, 2008 at 5PM at the Donnelly Boys and Girls Salvation Army.

Beltline

Beltline 101 SW session will be held on November 8th from 6:00PM – 7:30 PM at West Hunter Church.

Local Events

Script Flip playing at West End Performance Center.

Boys and Girls Club

Steve Wilson from Boys and Girls Club announced that their harvest festival will be held on Oct 25th from 2PM to 6PM. Free, no cost.

Young man, Roy Stevenson, died in stolen van yesterday. Family doesn't have enough money to bury him. Assistance would be appreciated. Those interested in assisting should call (678) 558-4490.

Community Prosecutor

Ladawn Blackett Jones spoke regarding her role as community prosecutor. Asked for the residents to assist by reporting crime.

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