

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Druid Hills Civic Association
November 17, 2004**

Welcome and Introduction of Visitors:

Visitors included Davis Fox of AIEV and residents: Tom and Lynette Richelo, Mary Spangler, Andrew and Laura Robison, Tom Cross, Nancy Chambers, Scott Laseter, Tim Solomon, Kirk Larson, David Lilly, Ed Henderson, and Paul and Joyce Craven.

Approval of Minutes: The October Board Minutes were approved without change.

AIEV Update - Davis Fox: Davis Fox of AIEV reported that AIEV is entering the design phase. This will take longer than construction. The design phase, including drafting of construction drawings will be completed in February of 2006. Construction will take six to nine months. AIEV has met with Georgia Power regarding placing the power lines underground. This is estimated to cost upwards of \$500,000. The property would never be able to absorb this cost. There was a discussion of the historic nature of the power lines. AIEV is going to meet with Glenn Church/School regarding routing of carpool pickup and its impact on Village traffic. Davis reported that AIEV is looking at ways to handle run-off and that the zoning issue is currently on-hold.

AEPi Frat House at 1315 Briardale Lane - Kirk Larson and Tom Richelo - Tom Richelo, representing 12 families (neighbors of the AEPi Frat House on Briardale Lane) presented the concerns of residents as a result of this property being used by the Emory University Chapter of AEPi Fraternity. The presentation included a history of the ownership and use of the property from approximately 1980 to the present and a history of the behavior of the current occupants of the house. These include: at least 6 people living in the house, as many as 8 to 10 cars parked at the property overnight, sometimes these cars block the sidewalk, Parties with hundreds of attendees beginning after 11:30 at night, attendees' cars blocking the street, trash deposited in the neighborhood, parties occurring on all nights, just being a general nuisance.

The neighbors are asking DHCA to write a letter to Emory to urge the University to deal with the problem; attempt to contact the owner of the property expressing the neighborhood's concerns, support efforts to create ordinances barring such activity in single family housing areas; and guidance for the neighbors in dealing with DeKalb County on zoning and police issues. The Board suggested strategies for dealing with this as a zoning issue, and contacting Emory and the DeKalb Police. A sub-committee was formed. Members include, Lauretta Miller, Dee Daly, David Winston, and Davis Fox.

OLPA Update - Alida Silverman - Alida reports that OLPA is grateful for the \$10,000 check. Phase III - Springdale Park will begin in the Spring and be finished by November. There will be a great deal of corrective grading. The playscape will be installed in the Southeast corner. The City has been clear on the requirements of having a playground in Springdale Park. Deep Deene Park is moving through the design phase. There will be a demonstration project on North Ponce De Leon. Alida suggested a change to the OLPA By-laws to require that the Druid Hills representative to the OLPA Board be appointed by the DHCA Board. This will be voted on at the next OLPA Board Meeting. Alida would like a letter of support for this change from the Board.

Freedom Park Conservancy By-Law Change - Riccarda Heising - Riccarda presented proposed changes to the Freedom Park Conservancy By-Laws. Currently, the Board is made up of 1 representative from each of the 7 neighborhood groups and 1 from the Carter Center. There are an equal number of representatives not associated with a neighborhood group. The change would increase the number of non-neighborhood representatives by 3. The quorum requirements would also change to a majority of non-neighborhood directors and only 2 neighborhood directors. Riccarda recommends that the quorum requirement be changed to a majority of the neighborhood directors. Rolf proposed giving neighborhood directors weighted or "super" votes to give them votes equal to the non-neighborhood votes.

Chuck Palmer moved to authorize Riccarda to use her best efforts to negotiate weighted votes to the neighborhood directors. Motion carried.

Nunan Property Update - Rolf Grun - Rolf reported that he, Bruce and Jim Earhart had met with the developer

on the driveway configuration including some parking pads. The meeting went well. The settlement agreement has been drawn up. The developers were asked to consider down-zoning to R-30,000 or R-20,000. They agreed to look at it. Rolf did receive an explanation from Gail Waldorf as to her vote against the HPC. She said that the HPC did not follow new procedures regarding written evidence or a reason for denial.

Kahn Property Acquisition - Rolf Grun - Rolf reported that the Executive Committee voted to authorize a contribution of \$5,000 to aid the Rock Creek Watershed Alliance to purchase the Kahn Property. If the purchase is not made, the funds will be returned to DHCA.

Pool Together (Our Position On Pool) - Rolf Grun - Pool Together appeared in front of the HPC. The COA was deferred. The DHCA needs to define our position. The Board does not traditionally meet in December. We could call a meeting to discuss this issue and meet with Gail Waldorf.

Annual Meeting - Rolf Grun - We need to determine the date (Jan. 30th?) and location.

Announcements:

- 1 Faye's Resignation. Faye has resigned. In the interim, Tricia Elam will assume Faye's duties.
- 2 Debbie Sinex has resigned.
- 3 New additions to the nominating committee - Bruce MacGragor, Tricia Elam and Tom Grybowski
- 4 Emory Noise Ordinance - this will be gearing up again.

Public Comment Period: No speakers

The meeting was adjourned.