

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Druid Hills Civic Association
July 20, 2005**

Reports from Officers:

Secretary's Report - The minutes for the June meeting were approved without change.

Communications Vice President's Report - (Julie Ralston reporting for Pam Terry)

Web Site Update - Julie reported that the Website questionnaire has been emailed to board members. Please turn in responses as soon as possible. Once the content has been determined, the committee will begin to look at the graphic design of the website and DHCA in general.

Administrative Vice President's Report:

Membership Report - Tricia Elam reports we are still in the lull period before renewals hit in the fall.

Tour of Homes Report - Tricia reports that we have received the Chapter 11 check. Rolf Grun reports that we have exceed the tour's income budget by 27%.

Maintenance of Traffic Islands - Tricia reports that there will be a meeting with the County to determine what the county will maintain versus what the community will have the responsibility for maintaining. Most likely we will need to find a group of people willing to adopt this project.

Community and Lifestyle Committee - Judy Shure reports that the committee is growing. The July 4th parade came in well within budget. There are two projects the committee is currently working on:

Druid Hills Day - November 6th has been chosen as the day for this event. It will be held in Deep Dene Park and will hopefully be a lot bigger than in years past.

Druid Hills Directory - The committee is also exploring the idea of a Druid Hills Directory. This would be modeled on the community directory created for Brookhaven. This could be used a member benefit for DHCA and could be sold to non-members.

Sidewalks on Oakdale and Fairview - Alida Silverman brought up the issue of sidewalks which are being installed along Oakdale south of its intersection with Fairview. The sidewalk was supposed to be installed along the westside of Oakdale, where there is a more room for a planting strip, but instead has been installed on the eastside. It was

proposed that a resolution be issued from the DHCA stating that the sidewalk should be installed along the Westside as originally planned. Bruce is to sign off on language with Alida. A Motion was made to support this resolution. The motion carried.

Board Member Training - Tricia Elam reports that we have received a mixed response from new Board members with regard to Board member training. If anyone wants training, please see Jeff or Tricia. After further discussion, it was agreed that Board Member training will take place an hour earlier than the next Board Meeting. Alida Silverman asked if new material for the Board Member Notebooks could be distributed at the July meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Proposed Revision in the Chart of Accounts - Rolf Grun presented proposed revisions to the chart of accounts used in the annual budget. The new chart of accounts would be based on the various committees that make up the DHCA and its activities. This would provide a more meaningful report and better accountability. A motion was made to adopt this chart of accounts. The Motion carried.

Quarterly Budget Update - Rolf reports that now that the chart of accounts can be revised, the accountants can begin the quarterly audit.

First Vice President's Report:

Land Use/Planning Zoning:

1189 Ponce de Leon (Golden Key Property) Alida Silverman reports that the Atlanta City Council granted a special use permit with 16 conditions for use of this property by REMAX Metro Atlanta Cityside and Builder Developer Services. Efforts to deal with the ramifications of this decision will have to be other-than-legal action. In addition to the Council ignoring the requirements of the Landmark District ("LD") ordinance, staff from the bureau of planning said in a meeting with Council Member Fauver that they had never received the Druid Hills packet that was hand-delivered to the bureau one week before the Zoning Review Board hearing and put in the hands of the Zoning Review Board's secretary.

Paideia COA - 2) Alida also reports that the Urban Design Commission granted a certificate of appropriateness with 10 conditions to the Paideia School for redevelopment of the corner lot on South Ponce at Oakdale Road on July 13. Before the hearing, DHCA via a letter from our president to the executive director of the UDC asked for a written explanation of the law department's assessment that aggregation of the corner and adjacent lots would make the lot line disappear and therefore the requirement for the side yard setbacks for that block in the LD ordinance. In addition, James Reap has said he would be getting his analysis of the LD ordinance to us. The Executive Committee has authorized a proposal from an attorney on an appeal and we are waiting to hear.

Nunan Property - Bruce McGregor reports that since the Board of Appeals has denied the variances required for the Developer's current "flag lot" plan, he filed suit against DeKalb County. The DHCA has filed to intervene in the suit. The Developer has filed a new COA for a cul-de-sac plan which will be heard by the Historic Preservation Commission on August 15th.

DeKalb Environmental Ordinance - Bruce reports that developers are pushing for a new Board of Environmental Review on building issues as part of a new environmental ordinance. The Board of Commissioners deferred discussion of this ordinance for a month. DHCA has signed a petition asking for a full cycle review so that the community council and other bodies have a chance to review and comment. A motion was for a resolution asking for a prohibition of any member of this Environmental Review Board from doing business with the County. After further discussion, this motion was withdrawn.

Land Use/Zoning Committee - The Land Use/Zoning Committee had not met further due to the chairman's extensive travel schedule.

DeKalb Infill Taskforce Research - Bruce reports that the DeKalb Infill Taskforce is trying to come up with standards for infill development. He proposes that we should probably have our own taskforce specific to Druid Hills. Allan Ballard and David Winston will serve.

Springdale Road Street Lights - The neighbors on the block of Springdale between the By Way and the City of Atlanta have petitioned for street lights to be installed. Georgia Power only provided two types of lights, the cobra arm lights installed on telephone poles and the lantern type installed in the Durand Mill subdivision. The light like the ones used only Ponce De Leon and Lullwater parkway would be more appropriate. The Preservation Committee will look into setting up street light standards.

Transportation Committee: - Jay McMullen reports that the Transportation Committee has received incident report from Ann Lee of the Fernbank Museum. The committee will review the report and make recommendations.

Division Chair Meeting: Barbara Mori will work on scheduling.

Special Task Force to address strategic redevelopment issues - Steve Misner reports that the Task Force met with Emory University to review the healthcare master plan. Emory Hospital is planning to move to the land currently occupied by the Emory Clinic and parking decks. The Haygood Triangle is planned to be used for green

The Meeting was adjourned.