

MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
Druid Hills Civic Association
7:30PM Wednesday, June 18, 2008
Emory's 1784 N. Decatur Road Building

Call to Order, Recognition of Guests: **Jim Morawetz**, President, called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests. Guests included **Stan Watson**, Candidate for DeKalb County CEO; **Don Broussard**, candidate for DeKalb County Commissioner, District 6; **Tom Stubbs**, candidate for Superior Court judge; a representative of **Tangela Berry**, candidate for DeKalb Superior Court Judge; and Officer **Jeremy Turner**, DeKalb County Police.

Secretary's Report (approval of minutes): **Dick Shuey**, Secretary, reported that there was not a quorum present at the meeting. The minutes were deferred.

Administrative Vice President's Report

Wave of Burglaries: DHCA has used flyers and its website to update the neighborhood on the recent wave of burglaries. There have been no more burglaries subsequent to Officer Turner's arrest of a suspect. It was suggested that the Neighborhood Watch be reinstated or revitalized. Officer Turner offered to assist.

First Vice President's Report

1. Emory Hospital and Clinic Reconstruction Plans: Emory's Master Plan map is on Emory's website under "Press Kits." There will be a public meeting concerning the Master Plan on June 24th. DHCA will issue an e-alert. DHCA should take this opportunity to lock down Emory on the campus edge as an offset for dense development on the campus interior. It should also be addressed in the Druid Hills Master Plan.

2. Proposed Nightclub Ordinance: The committee is trying to get the DHCA, the Golf Club and Glenn Memorial together on a position opposing bars and nightclubs in Emory Village. We will take a vote on DHCA's position when we have a consensus with our partners. The Commission will vote on the ordinance on July 22nd, after our next Board meeting.

3. Parks Committee: Looking for ways to support maintenance of the round-about at N. Decatur and Lullwater. Also, Bill Grybowski may be the point person in seeking to establish a 401(c)(3) for park acquisition and maintenance.

4. By-way Infill House: The developer, neighbors and DHCA agreed to a plan,

but the BZA denied it in favor of the County's position. Those who are involved believe they can work it out. Also, the COA application for building on The By-way between Springdale and Briarcliff was denied by the HPC; the denial was upheld by the BOC.

5. Legal Update – Nunan and Hummingbird lawsuits: There has been some favorable development at the appellate level in one of the five Nunan property lawsuits.

In one of the Chelsea Heights cases, the HPC has granted a COA to build on a 75 foot lot at the top of Vickers Drive, which is okay with the neighborhood. They are now working on a second one that the HPC has said is too massive.

The guidelines for Chelsea Heights will be presented to the HPC for adoption in July. The neighborhood will be notified by leaflets. **Steven Misner** would make the presentation "for the DHCA" if we had a quorum present to approve it. After some discussion, there was a consensus that something to that effect was approved at the May meeting.

The builder on Hummingbird Lane won his case to build five houses on a 250-foot frontage; they are currently building on three of the 50-foot lots, while the other two are tied-up in cross motions. The members present were unanimously in favor of expending an additional \$2000.00 for Susan Garrett to seek other options. The matter will be referred to the executive committee if action is needed before the next board meeting. Those who are working on the matter also want the board's direction regarding a 4-house alternative.

Treasurer's Report – John Hudson

1. Budget Committee: The budget committee will prepare a proposed budget for the board's consideration.

2. Unpaid Sales Taxes: The DHCA has been notified by the State Revenue Department that it failed to report and pay 2006 sales taxes of approximately \$2800.00 on sales of Tour tickets and lunches.

President's Report

Druid Hills News Ad Sales: Ad sales for the last issue were down to 27% from the usual 40%.

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Shuey, Secretary

