

FISHER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Tuesday, May 26, 2009

The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by president, John McLendon. Board members present were Rachel Cannon-Percival, Lutie Graham, Rick Luebke, John McLendon, Robert Pope, David Craft, Jane Jackson, Connie Usry, Sally Atwood, Nicole Crews, and Geoff Wall. Absent were Greg Grieve, Sonya Lowe, Gene Rogers, and Sherry Rogowski. Guests were Mary Beach, Jeffrey Beach, Joe Bauer, Mahlon Honeycutt, and Vicki Honeycutt.

Report from the March 25 Historic Preservation Commission meeting:

617 North Elm – First Presbyterian Church signage – Continuance granted at request of the applicant.

Historic Preservation Commission agenda items for April 29:

105 East Bessemer Avenue – Window replacement (after-the-fact). The Board voted to support the application with the provision that vinyl windows on the front be replaced with wood windows that comply with guidelines and that any subsequent replacements, whether on side or rear, be wood windows that comply with guidelines.

900 Carolina Street – Removal of garage and trees, new carport, additions to house. The Board voted to support the application with conditions for 6 replacement canopy trees that meet standard requirements (2" caliper, survive 3 years) in locations to be approved by staff (with credit for 3 recently planted along Hendrix side) and paving material in the motor court to be approved by staff. New fence and landscaping are to be approved by staff at a later date.

Minutes of April 27 FPNA Board Meeting – approved.

Treasurer's Report: Changes from previous month include income of \$37.00 from the neighborhood watch window decals, expenses for greeters of \$4.00 and supplies for signs of \$18.00, and \$50.00 to Temple Emanuel for use of property for neighborhood potluck and bluegrass music. Upcoming expense is \$500.00 to pay the band. Geoff Wall suggested that we discuss funds in the bank account and maybe moving some to the Community Foundation. Time should be scheduled at a future meeting to discuss money in the bank and endowment fund at the Community Foundation in more detail.

Committee Reports:

Events: Neighborhood potluck set for May 30 at 5:30 in courtyard at the Temple, with option to go inside in case of rain. The Alley Rabbits will play bluegrass. Aycock and Southside neighborhoods have been invited. Board members were asked to take and

deliver some flyers as a reminder. Need help setting up and cleaning afterwards. Fisher Park T-shirts and neighborhood watch decals will be available.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: No report. There are concerns about people allowing their dogs to leave deposits on sidewalks.

Park Committee: NeighborWoods application has over 100 requests from neighbors who want trees. If our application is approved, November 7 will be the planting day. Park workdays are scheduled for September and October and we may have two optional workdays this summer. Also, a park walk with Chip Calloway will be scheduled to discuss plantings for the area across from Douglas-Ravenel House.

Other Business:

Downtown Design & Compatibility Manual. The Planning Board recommended approval to the City Council. On June 8 the Zoning Commission will consider the line between urban residential and pedestrian mixed use. John plans to attend and make the same comments requesting that everything north of Smith and Battleground be put in the urban residential category rather than the mixed use because the parking, landscaping and some other requirements are stricter in that category.

A 5K walk/run – Running of the Green – will come through our neighborhood on the morning of June 6 to raise money for the Children’s Museum.

Respectfully submitted,
Lutie Graham, Secretary