## Duke Park Neighborhood Association Association Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 9, 2008, 7:00PM 1424 Acadia Street Durham, NC 27701

## **Board Members**:

*Present:* Dan Read (president), Brian Green (treasurer); Members-at-large: Bill Anderson, Stewart Kennedy, John Sideris and Suzanne Tyler. *Quorum Present:* Yes.

## **Proceedings:**

-Meeting called to order at 7:00PM by chair, Dan Read.

- Review of previous meeting minutes and new memberships was without comment. Cheryl submitted Members status, and reported 124 active members. New and Renew Members since last month include: Kelly Bryant, Donna Hicks, David Fellerath, Karen Verhaeghe.

- Brian Green reported we have about \$1,600. Asked if we were OK to issue check to be in Christmas parade. **Board approved Brian writing check; Dan and Suzanne will come up with a theme.** Perhaps we will do a bicycle group this year.

Bill opened discussion of recent apprehension of break in suspect on 400 block of E. Markham. Neighbors called in to police re man in woods and patrolled the area while police were setting up and then catching the guy. A great example of neighbors watching out for each other and helping police, good sign of rapid and effective police deployment to our neighborhood.

With respect to the Duke Park Bath House, there was not much to report. DPPI has submitted an estimate to the city and it looks like we will probably not be able to raise enough money to do it on our own. Looking to get the City to help out with direct grant of money and also by taking in to consideration what it would cost to tear bath house down and supply new bathrooms, estimated around \$100,000. Most important thing right now is to work on getting votes from City Council.

Also discussed fencing around park, we like it, it went it without a lot of hassle or delay.

Friends of West Point Park wants support for City or State purchasing Black Meadow Ridge tract to add to Eno River State Park. Board resolved that we support this and will leave it to INC to draft formal language and to whom resolution will be addressed.

**Night of Lights** will be Sunday, December 14, 2008. **Board resolved that Luminaria packets will cost \$7.00**. Pre-sales 12/6-7 and 12/13-14. Dan will check on ordering more (we still have plenty of kits from last year).

**2008** Christmas Party: Friday, December 5th at the home of Rebecca Crocker and Rafe Sagarin. They said they did not spend much last year. Board resolved that we authorize up to \$200.00 for them to purchase drinks and stuff.

**Newsletter discussed.** Looks like we will have enough material. **CHERYL NEEDS HELP** with putting it together. Distribute 11/1

 $\cdot$  Minutes taken by President, Dan Read