

Duke Park Neighborhood Association
Association Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 13, 2008, 7:00PM
113 W. Markham Ave. Durham, NC 27701

Board Members:

Present: Dan Read (president), Cheryl Summers (secretary); Members-at-large: Angelo Abbate, Bill Anderson, Jessie Eustice, Suzanne Tyler. Others present: Mike & Pam Campa, Paul Dowds, Frank Hyman.

Quorum Present: Yes.

Proceedings:

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

- Minutes of October 9, 2008 meeting accepted and approved by majority. Cheryl submitted Members status, reporting 136 active members. New and Renew Members since last month include: Bill & Andrea Anderson, Jessica Blaustein & Ethan Klein, Paul & Samantha Dowds, Linda Jeffries & Nick Then, Victoria Mask, Dan Read & Maria Mangano, Archie & Rebecca Smith, Suzanne Tyler & Josh Burrows, Joe & Iretice Williford. Donors for this month are: Sarah Dowdee, Linda Jeffries & Nick Then, Fran Wilson.
- Brian Green submitted Treasurer's report totaling \$1,364.07 of 11/12/08.

Consent Agenda:

Item #1: New Business

- a) Unanimously agreed that Frank Hyman be permitted to carve the dead tree in Duke Park into a sculpture.
- b) DPNA reiterates its desire that City Council and DOT follow-through on the Markham/Mangum/Roxboro traffic redesign plans (currently in possession of Barry Ragin).
- c) DPNA maintains position that the City of Durham build sidewalk out from the curb where W. Markham and Washington Avenues meet (as being pursued by Michelle Old).
- d) Resolved that ATP advertising rate structure be maintained at \$25/business card ad; \$40/qtr. Page ad; 25% advertiser discount for 4 purchase of consecutive issues; and up to \$10 waived for DPNA members current on their Member Account.

Item #2: Community Projects / Issues

- a) Bill Anderson has obtained estimates from the City, of approx \$183,000 as the expense the City is spared thanks to DPPI intended Bathhouse renovations, and feels strongly this is the minimum figure the City should contribute to advance funding for the project. Bill will also pursue City commitment to level the meadow; provide key to parking lot (keep fencing intact for the moment); supply porta-potties when the renovations put the bathrooms out of commission, etc.
- b) Passed by acclamation that DPNA will endorse (separate of its previous endorsement via the Inter-Neighborhood Council) the FOWPP petition re: Black Meadow. Dan will send letter.

Item #3: "Around the Park"

- a) Next newsletter will be prepared for first quarter 2009; Cheryl will post request for articles on the listserv.
- b) Jessie volunteered to lead advertising efforts; Cheryl will provide advertising form.

Item #4: Community Events / Meetings

- a) "The Santa Class" – Sun, 11/30, 7p at Immaculate Conception Church, 810 W. Chapel Hill St., a David Bartlett production.

- b) 2008 Christmas Parade – Sat, 12/6, 4p. Coordinating team (Dan and Suzanne) has decided on “Different Spokes for Duke Park Folks” as theme for this year.
- c) 2008 Christmas Party – Fri, 12/5, 6:30p at home of Rebecca Crocker and Rafe Sagarin (Brian will cut check for \$200 to cover expenses).
- d) Free Christmas – Sat, 12/13, 10a at home of Michelle Old 408 Englewood Ave.
- e) 2008 Night of Lights – Sun, 12/14; Luminaria sales - Sat-Sun, 12/6-7 and 12/13-14 from 10-2am (two 2-hour shifts of 10am-12n and 12n-2p)
- f) 2008 Share Your Christmas – Pam expressed her concern about how DPNA will match this year’s donors based upon its funding amount and the sponsor-agency’s matching requirements. Dan volunteered to coordinate the Share Your Christmas project this year and will work out the details.

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.
- Minutes taken by Secretary, Cheryl Summers

The next DPNA meeting will be a Board meeting on Thursday, December 11, 2008.