

**Duke Park Neighborhood Association  
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, June 14, 2011, 7:00PM  
1424 Acadia Street, Durham, NC 27701

**Board members:**

*Present:* Dan Read (president), Barry Ragin (president ex officio), Ian Kipp, Jon Strack, Ed Hubbell, Bill Dandridge

*Others present:* Bill Anderson

*Quorum present:* Yes.

**Proceedings:**

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

**Treasurer report** emailed by Brian Green: \$3005 on hand, minus expected \$200 outlay for Memorial Day party

**Short items**

Memorial day report–party was a big success

July 4 plan Barry cannot commit to being grillmeister, will contact Joanne Andrews re purchasing stuff, call for folding tables would be good plus volunteers to clean up afterwards  
Moved and passed to allot at least \$150 for supplies and food

Neighborhood yard sale report from Kelly Leong: The 2011 DPNA yard sale had 20 participants throughout Duke Park and according to the listserv was a huge success. The advertisements were posted on Craigslist, The News & Observer, and two yard sale websites. The yard sale benefitted DPPI and a cashiers check will be delivered to them in the upcoming few weeks. I will keep DPNA posted on the exact amount of the donation.

Washington Street sidewalk update. No response from City. Project appears to be about done and it is poor result. Barry said Durham Bike Ped NCDOT survey indicated approx 60% of respondents felt walking amenities were inadequate. Ian Kipp has spoken to City Engineering, Markham sidewalk is out to bid but they want to have public meeting in advance, probably to be held at St James. Ian will coordinate time. Barry: why are they having meeting re Markham and nothing re Washington? No answer. Newsletter editor and this upcoming newsletter

Q what is status? Any copy? Don't know. Dan sent EM to Sara re status and to send us what she has. Bill D will do update on N energy retrofit program. President letter Dan. Barry can assemble. We brainstormed about who we want to do this. Board members will push friends for interest. Plus will have announcement in newsletter re board vacancies.

National Night Out–DR OND agrees to coordinate with us, tentative plan to meet at Duke park and march to Fullsteam for gathering. Need to clear with Full Steam. General agreement with that plan.

#### Other items

Bathhouse update Bill D did talk to Andy and he will make a rough architect's sketch. Andy had started on this but was waiting for further direction. A lot of interest was shown in bathhouse during the Preservation Durham home tour. Bill D and Bill Anderson passed out DPPI membership forms.

Crime/speeding—Ed H suggested distributing stickers to all homes that say “Duke park property—“ Ed will check out cost and report back. Problem with approx 300 pawn shops in Durham and only one officer to monitor them. Barry things have been a little better on Shawnee lately.

Discussion of recent police car chase in the neighborhood which has supposedly been dealt with internally by DPD but now notice to neighborhood as to what happened. Resolved that the NA should enquire of Sgt Gunter and Cpt Sykes to get an explanation of what happened and what the resolution was.

INC report from Ian, Rick Hester reported to INC re rental registry they are working. Concern that State legislation may block local municipalities from maintaining such database. Durham continues to work on database but keeping on eye on potential state legislation. Barry moved that DPNA oppose legislation restricting municipalities' ability to register and regulate rental housing, Jon seconded. Passed by consensus.