



Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 20, 2015

6:30 pm

Antioch East Baptist Church

Meeting called by:

Kevin Leonard

Scribe

Tonya Toland

Agenda

Old Business

City Government Reports

- Valencia Hudson, Public Safety Liaison, was absent and no alternative representative was present
- **APD Zone 6, Lt. Floyd**
 - Conveyed the support of Edgewood Security Patrol having an officer-duty officer working for the neighborhood.
 - Stressed the importance of community involvement in support of the "Neighborhood Watch Program"
 - Beat 609 has one patrol officer at any given time
 - Armed robbery suspect was taken in to custody (crimes committed in the area)
 - 1229 Hosea resulted in 9 arrests (guns, marijuana plants, stolen goods, etc)
 - Reinforced the need in contacting 911 (including issues with speeding, parking violations, etc).
- **Edgewood Shining Stars**
 - No Reports
- **Community Efforts**
 - April 25 - Earth Day Neighborhood Cleanup and Tire Roundup
 - Council Member Natalyn Archibong - is sponsoring the tire cleanup effort
 - Neighborhoods compete for the highest number of tires retrieved
 - Issue raised regarding semi-trucks driving through the neighborhood (i.e. Lowe's trucks)?



- ✓ **Motion** to support the President & Vice President in drafting a letter to Edgewood Retail District voicing the neighborhoods concern for the semi-trucks driving through Edgewood
 - Motion passed favorably
- David Epstein, Atlanta Contact Point, presented his organization's events and development at Pullman Yard
 - Atlanta Contact Point is a non-Profit organization providing indoor/outdoor sports, arts, education, fitness, etc.
 - May 21 & 23 to hold community-related events in the area to garner support for their vision for Pullman Yard

New Business

- City of Atlanta representative presented the "revised" Neighborhood Watch efforts
 - Neighborhood participants are required to attend the City of Atlanta's Neighborhood Watch Safety Awareness Training (4 hrs)
 - Sarah Axelrod, Secretary, Edgewood Security Patrol leadership has participated in the training and is partnering with Mark Tanner to rally the neighbors
 - Sign-up sheet was distributed at the meeting for interested parties
 - Neighborhood Requirements for becoming a "Neighborhood Watch Program"
 - 3 neighborhood watch meetings completed ANNUALLY
 - 2 persons for each street
 - Neighborhoods need to obtain 50 pts
 - Various neighborhood events = points
 - For examples, community garden, tutoring kids at one of our community schools
 - Challenge is determining which communities are part of Edgewood (i.e. Apartments, Senior Citizen developments, etc)
 - **Advantage:** The Neighborhood Watch serves as an additional community effort in organizing the neighbors in assisting the police in keeping our community safe
- **Zoning**
 - Eric Kronberg gave an overview of the types of requests that come to the neighborhood for support (i.e. variances)
 - Jim Cheeks regarding 147 Ericson St SE variance request in concert with the Atlanta Police Foundation to be eventually occupied by a police officer.



- Reduction of the side and front yard setback to put a porch on a small house that really needs a porch.
 - ✓ **Motion** to support 147 Ericson Street variance request
 - Motion passed "18ish"
 - Brian Bishop regarding 1424 Hosea Williams Dr subdivision request did not present
 - James Bailey regarding Eco Express Car Wash variance request for additional parking spaces near the property line did not present

Next Meeting

Monday, May 18, 2015 @ 6:30pm

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned @ 7:35pm