

Minutes EVA Board Meeting
Monday Oct 7, 2019, Glenn Parlor

Attendance:

Primary Board present: Jean Welsh (secretary), Cynthia Tauxe, Yvette Weatherly, Mary Eccard, Sarah Bannick, Ann Wallace, Margaret Blackmon, George Basco, David Payne

Primary Board absent: Bill Gryboski, Dave Moore, Priscilla Valesquez, Mason Rainey, Todd Hill (chair); Mark Herald (vice-chair), Jay Johnson (treasurer), Shane Mixon

Advisory Board present: Jimmy Powell,

Advisory Board absent: Sally Sears, Mark Goldman, Kathy Gannon, Stuart Meddin, Perry Mitchell, Marlene Goldman, Clark Weeks, Louis Berthaume, Becky Evans, Nathan Hartman, Pricilla Velasquez

Guests: Gordon Hills (J.P. Morgan Chase Bank), Matt Band (Chase Bank)

Discussion highlights:

- Minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting were approved
- Welcome and introduction of guests. Gordon Hills, Branch Manager and Matt Band from J.P. Morgan Chase were welcomed. Renovations at the bank are expected to be completed prior to Open Streets. Branch will open on Nov 5. Grand Opening will be on Nov 16.
- Parking clarification. George briefed the Chase Bank guests about some of the parking challenges they might expect.
- EV Open Streets Updates/Needs.
 - Sponsorship from local businesses appears to be down from last year.
 - Planning for EVA table: EVA table cover, raffle, water. Board members were requested to work on getting prizes for the raffle.
 - SHARE Druid Hills and DHCA Transportation Committee are working together to do a "Pop-up Patio on N. Oxford
 - Insurance for the event is still being worked out.
- Water line repair project. George raised concerns about the water line repairs and how the lack of clarity/communication about the county's plans has made it very difficult for businesses in the village. Assistance was requested from the EVA Board in helping to ensure that information from the county is communicated to businesses. It was suggested that Dekalb Co. Watershed Dept be invited to have a table to answer resident questions at Open Streets
- EVA fundraising. Sarah would like to prepare to send a holiday/fundraising letter out before the end of the year and suggested that this might be sent to the ~1200 people on the DHCA mailing list. Anne Wallace agreed see if this would be possible.

- EV Banner update. The designs submitted by the Druid Hills High School students were viewed and found to be not quite what is needed. Sarah offer to draft a description of what is needed that could be shared with others . . . possibly as a contest.
- Lighting of Roundabout. The water line work was completed without there being an opportunity to check for a conduit that could be used to pass the electrical lines. There may be a need to go with a solar option. Todd will investigate.
- Marketing/business school student project. The project is moving ahead. They will be seeking input from local businesses, property owners, and residents.
- Board membership. Nomination of Don Walter as a Primary Board member was approved.