

Minutes EVA Board Meeting
Monday, March 14, 2022, 5:00-6:00 pm, via ZOOM
Minutes for Review

Attendance:

Primary Board present: Todd Hill (chair), Don Walter (vice-chair), Jean Welsh (secretary), Mark Herold, David Payne, Cynthia Tauxe, Anne Wallace, Stella Kilpatrick, Mark Goldman, Marlene Goldman, Sarah Banick, Sally Sears

Primary Board absent: Mary Eccard, Cathy Vandenberg, Neil Fried, Jay Johnson (treasurer)

Advisory Board present: none

Advisory Board absent: Lois Berthaume, Nathan Hartman, Bill Gryboski, Jimmy Powell, Stuart Meddin, Clarke Weeks, Tse-Chih Chang, Lorraine Miller, Becky Evans

Invited guests: Ken Protas, Peggy Hibbert, Paul Gilroy, Steve Mase, Kit Eisterhold

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1. Past meeting minutes

- February meeting minutes approved

2. Guest Introductions

- Ken Protas lives on Clifton Road. He is retired from Emory and looking to possibly get involved with EVA.

3. Village Overlay

- Plans are being made for a community meeting to discuss the proposed changes to the overlay. The working group is working with DHCA to schedule this.
- Once all feedback is received and reviewed, the group will follow-up with the county Office of Sustainability to continue to move the process forward.

4. Olmsted 200

- The alcohol permit request is in process.
- Music talent for the concert on 4/30 has been secured:
 - John Wilingham – opener
 - Shawn Mullins – main act (until 9pm)
 - DJ – 9-10pm
- Site has been secured- will use grassy area across from Savey Provisions.
- Sarah will provide assistance/materials needed for promotion
- Volunteers will be needed to help with trash can, table set up and clean up.
- Fundraising continues to go well

5. Village Clean-up Workday

- A motion was passed to have a (pre-concert) clean-up day in the Village on Saturday, April 23, 8:30-11:30

6. Village Maintenance Issues

- Presentation and discussion with CEO Thurmond and COO Zach Williams went well. This included a presentation on Emory Village and the improvements that have been made as well as a request for more county investment.
 - The county sent a number of follow-up questions which have been responded to.
 - A copy of the slides prepared by David Payne for this meeting are attached.
- A new recirculation pump has been installed in the fountain.

7. Signs in the Village

- DHCA has offered \$200 to put towards signs to discourage theft in the Village but there is concern about the number of signs already present.
- **Action Item:**
 - A coordinated plan for placement of signs is needed to present to the property owners. Todd, Marlene will meet with property owners to discuss the sign clutter
 - Anne W will follow-up with Doug Rollins at DHCA about the pending request for the placement of additional signs to discourage theft.

8. Roundabouts on N. Decatur

- Construction of the roundabouts on N. Decatur at Springdale and Oakdale is scheduled to begin in the 2nd quarter of this year

9. LCI Proposal

- Cathy V has agreed to chair a working group to put together a Liveable Centers Initiative (LCI) proposal for submission in 2023.
- David Fox, an author on the previous proposal, has agreed to assist with preparing the new one.

10. Village Business Updates

- Baker Dude will be opening soon
- The former Lucky's has been rented for an Indian "quick service" restaurant.
- Savi Provisions has received the necessary permits. Construction will begin soon.

11. Village Playground

- In follow-up to the discussion at the March meeting about establishing a playground space in the Village, it was clarified that:
 - Insurance for the playground in the Linear Parks is paid by the city of Atlanta
 - Given its location and the agreement regarding its purpose, adding playground equipment to Burbank Park does not appear to be an option.
 - Further research will be needed to explore possible options for the playground
- **Action Item**

- Mark H will discuss with Ted McMullan the possibility of placing picnic tables only in the grassy area.

11. EVA Board Membership

- Kit and Peggy have expressed their interest in joining the Board
- New officer elections will take place at the April meeting. David P will also provide an update on the Board membership at that time.

12. Presentation at Upcoming DHCA Annual Meeting

- Todd is working with DHCA to see about doing a presentation about Emory Village, the progress made and the continuing needs, during their upcoming annual meeting.