

Minutes EVA Board Meeting  
Monday, December 14, 2020, 5:00-6:00 pm, via ZOOM

*Attendance:*

**Primary Board present:** Todd Hill (chair), Mark Herold (vice-chair), Jay Johnson (treasurer), Jean Welsh (secretary), Sarah Banick, David Payne, Cynthia Tauxe, Don Walter, Lorraine Miller, Neil Fried, Mary Eccard, Anna Robinson,

**Primary Board absent:** Yvette Weatherly, Anne Wallace, Margaret Blackmon,

**Advisory Board present:** Marlene Goldman, Sally Sears

**Advisory Board absent:** Clarke Weeks, Jimmy Powell, Lois Berthaume, Becky Evans, Nathan Hartman, Bill Gryboski, Mark Goldman, Stuart Meddin,

**Guests attending:** Stella Kilpatrick

**1. Meeting minutes**

- November meeting minutes were approved

**2. Village update**

- Substantial improvements are being made to the property previously occupied by Saba.
- Concerns were raised that the lights on the pedestrian crosswalk in front of CVS are not very visible. Mark H will send a note to David Pelton at the county to see if the bulbs can be replaced with some that are brighter
- Cynthia noted that the county has replaced the bulbs in a number of street lights though there are now others that need to be replaced.
- Jean reported that a request has been submitted to Georgia Power to move 3 of the banners including the one blocking the pedestrian crosswalk sign at CVS and two that are blocked by trees or a sign.

**3. Membership**

- The primary board membership of Stelle Kilpatrick was approved. Stella has a particular interest in helping with communications activities.

**4. EVA Annual Highlights and Fundraising letter**

- A letter highlighting EVA accomplishments over the past year+ and inviting community members to contribute financially has been finalized. Todd will have 500 copies printed asap.
- Board members willing to help distribute the letters in their neighborhoods are asked to send: 1) their address, 2) the specific area that they plan to cover (if known), and 3) the # of copies of the letters that they estimate they can distribute to Jean. She will compile this information and work with Todd to help ensure an adequate # of copies and to avoid overlap of distribution areas. Copies of the letters can be collected from the porch at Todd's house at 1371 Cornell Road. The goal is to get them distributed by the end of this weekend.
- Don W offered to post an introduction to EVA with a link to the letter on Nextdoor.

- Neil offered to distribute to local businesses.

## **5. Financial report**

- Jay reported that expenses exceeded income by over \$6000 in 2020, primarily due to costs related to the printing and hanging of the street banners. The current bank balance is ~\$31,000. Approximately half of the board members (primary and advisory) have made their annual contributions for this next year.

## **6. Redevelopment Lullwater Apartments**

- There are 2 weeks left for public comment on the plans to redevelop the Lullwater Apartments complex.
- While several positives factors related to the potential development were noted, concerns have been raised about the impact of the plans on drainage as the area is a known flood zone. Sally S/the S. Fork Conservancy is in the process of reviewing the plans.
- It was agreed that a letter should be drafted from EVA recognizing the potential positives but also expressing concerns about the potential negatives. Mark H agreed to draft a letter.
- The DHCA is gathering community input about this project. They will be convening a meeting which Sally, Mark, and Cynthia will plan to attend.
- Todd will ensure that local property owners are aware of the plans and have the opportunity to comment.

## **7. District overlay review**

- A working group to review the EV overlay has been formed. Todd will be setting up a meeting. Mark G will send documents to be reviewed in advance.

## **8. January meeting agenda**

- Plan to include on the agenda for the January 2021 meeting:
  - Review EVA's recurring costs.
  - Update on the work of the Overlay Committee