

Mechanicsville Civic Associations Minutes

June 3, 2019

Meeting was called to order by President Dr. Jane Ridley at 6:43pm.

Prayer conducted by Teresa Dunn

Introduction of the officers and other citizens in the meeting

Officers:

President: Jane Ridley- Present

Vice President: Jason Dozier- Present

Treasurer: Geoffrey Grice- Absent

Secretary: Thomas Cooper-Present

Parliamentarian: Ocie Fulford- Absent

Chaplain- Queen Evelyn- absent

Committee

Patrick: Safety Committee Chair- Absent

Steve Moss- Economic Development- Present

Queen Evelyn- Senior Citizen Coordinator- absent

DeMicha Luster- Youth Coordinator- Present

Review Sign In sheet

David Holder moved to approve meeting minutes, DeMicha Luster second, motion carried unanimously

Public Official Report

Lieutenant Baldini

- Incidents reduced from last month
- Restricting beat officer to stay within this area and they will not be called to another call outside of this area, increased foot officers at Dunbar Park, and increased plaza arrests.
- Bob Ray- killed outside Dodd and Hendrix, is there an update?
LT. Baldini will send follow up to the MCA secretary.

City Officials

Gloria Smith representing Pat Gardner office- website- www.gov.ga legislation-bills that passed

House Bill 481- 6 heartbeat (abortion bill)

Betty Butler and Pat Gardner is in recovery, please keep them in your prayers.

Presentations/TBA-

Columbia Residential Apartments- Christina Davis (Development Manager)

Mixed income housing- looking to make an offer to purchase property by the end of the year.

Started Residents meeting-
2 meetings held with the residents
Jonathan Rose company- developer out of the New York
Apartments will be preserved for affordable housing

Funding applications- department of community affairs- 4% tax credit and Urban enterprise zone
grant
Timeline: 60-90 day update

Yes, Uniform Act Right to Return (criminal background checks with be complete)

Questions:

Dr. Jane Ridley- how will the criminal background checks work?

Answer: The background check will be on a case by case basis then counsel will

Jason Dozier- Can you talk to how Columbia Residential will assist the residents?
Columbia Residential

David Holder- When they apply for tax credits will it be an affordability rate?
Land use development with the community affairs.

236 tax 60% AMI restrictions (Atlanta AMI)-

180 units total- 111 high rise 68 townhomes
2002 was renovated

Christina Davis-most of the information is at the beginning stages

Jazz Watts- GA Heirs property loss center, provide legal assistance to obtain full legal
ownership.

Otis J. Hunter- working with Annie E. Casey on a grant to remodel his current business. Asking
for a letter of support. \$500,000 investment to bring the building back to renovations. 4500 sq. ft.
building to be rehabbed to provide better usage to the community.

David Holder moved to approve the letter for Otis Hunter. Jason Dozier second
15 yay 0 no 0 abstain

PEDS- Community Walking Champions

- Community conversations
- Pedestrian Advocacy Workshops
- Pop-up Project or Walk Audit

PEDS is a grassroots organization that focuses on making communities in Georgia great places
to walk.

President's Report- Dr. Jane Ridley

Applied for foundation grants- \$15,000 upcoming Fall Festival
Looking for volunteers for the festival committee

Stadium Neighborhood Fund- \$20,000 for Fall Festival

Atlanta Fulton County Recreation Authority- 5 million fund to the local area (Mechanicsville, Peoplestown, Pittsburg, Capital View, and Summerhill)

House Proud is a local nonprofit that provide rehab to Senior citizens.

Next meeting for AFCRA: 6pm-Dunbar Recreation in room 302

Vice President Report- Jason Dozier

Livable centers research and beltline study- center on the Westend but will include Mechanicsville research.

June 8- Census 2020 block party at Dunbar Recreation Center

NPU-V meets every second Monday of the month- Georgia Hill Center at Summerhill

Treasurer's Report

Geoffrey Grice- absent

Announcements

Committee Reports- N/A

Old Business- N/A

New business- N/A

Closing prayer

Adjournment- adjourn meeting at 8:20pm