



**Executive Board Meeting  
November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

- 1) **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Marilyn Mammano at 5:35 PM
- 2) **Present:** Marilyn Mammano, Ron Centamore, Doug Sterner, Betty Shelley, Rochelle Golub, Brucie Cummings, Jackson Boren, Chuck Black, Cathy Stubbs, Dennis Ulmer, Steve Stahl.
- 3) **Special recognition for FLPD Officer wounded off duty:** Dennis Ulmer suggested that the Association give recognition at the next meeting for Officer Mark Shotwell who was wounded while off duty while assisting in a domestic dispute taking place at the Maguires Hill 16 restaurant recently. He was awarded the Officer of the Month for October. It was on the agenda for the commission to address at their meeting but it was not done. A discussion took place concerning setting a precedent. At the end of the meeting it was decided to address the issue again at the next executive board meeting for the January meeting.
- 4) **Food donations for the Holidays:** Marilyn suggested that we encourage everyone to participate with food donations downstairs where it is done during the holidays. Another suggestion was to collect money and write a check to the Food Pantry. Both suggestions were agreed upon and Jackson stated that the Food Pantry does ok during the holidays but they have a rough time getting donations in the summer. Marilyn suggested that we have a food drive during the summer at a general meeting for them, which will be held during a general meeting. Jackson asked if we would be accepting donations at our Holiday meeting for the Food Pantry. Marilyn stated that we would accept cash donations at our meeting and everyone agreed that the Association would match the donations and write a check to the Food Pantry.
- 5) **Homeless issues:** A discussion took place concerning the homeless are in every vacant lot available downtown and around the convention center away from downtown. Betty stated that in her area where homeless have been sleeping in the bushes disable or destroy sprinkler equipment and spread newspapers out to sleep. Marilyn said we are not dealing with affordable housing, mental help and other means to get the homeless off the street and asked: Where is the state in helping with this issue?
- 6) **Motion to accept meeting minutes:** Rochelle made a motion to accept the September and October meeting minutes. Jackson seconded the motion. And the motion was accepted unanimously.
- 7) **Treasurer's Report:** Checking Account: \$3,937.28, IRA: \$5,110.00. Rochelle stated there has been an issue come up with additional charges against another account she has at Sun Trust and our funds are still with BB&T and switching banks has been put on hold until the issue

with Sun Trust is resolved or research for a suitable bank to meet our needs is presented to us.

- 8) Public Participation:** Marilyn reported that the Planning and Zoning Board voted it down unanimously. She had a meeting with Lee Feldman to see what is going to be done and he stated that the decision the P&Z board has made is not a deciding factor and the subject will come before the Commission in January. Rochelle stated that Mr. Ferber on the P&Z Board has been making inappropriate comments, such as referring to us as “marauding villagers”, for a person holding public office and Commissioner Trantalis should have him removed. The commission will not pull out any items from the site plan level 3 and that we would not support any tweaking and all that is possibly going to be done is align the coordination time that affidavits are due. We all need to be there at the January meeting.
- 9) Vision Plan:** The city staff is willing to come to our January meeting to prep us for the Commission Workshop on January 22<sup>nd</sup> to give us a presentation on the vision plan, how the vision is going to be implemented and the Commission’s Action Plan. We will then be prepared to participate at the workshop instead of just listening. We need to give input on how we see where density should go. A lengthy conversation took place concerning some of the major complaints concerning the vision: Protection for the neighborhoods that has been sitting since 2006, height limits have totally changed since the original plan. Our Association needs neighborhoods with concerns to ask for our help in order for us to support the issues.
- 10) Nomination Committee:** The nomination committee will hold the first meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The committee members are: Steve Buckingham, Andrew Gordon, Betty Shelly, Doug Sterner and Cathy Stubbs. There are only 2 positions that need to be filled. Nominations will be encouraged at our January and February meetings with elections taking place in March. Rochelle stated that the moving of the February meeting the way we intend is not prohibited by the bylaws, but it is not being carried out per the bylaws. She initiated a motion to address the concern to protect against future challenges as to how the election process was held. The final motion: A motion was made by Rochelle for the Executive Board to vote on a one time move of our February 10 2015 General Meeting to February 12 to coincide with Neighbor Support Night. We will also have the Nominating Committee report at the January General Meeting instead of the February Meeting so that nominations from the floor will be accepted at the January and March General Meetings instead of the February and March General Meetings. The motion was seconded by Betty. The motion was passed unanimously.
- 11) Holiday Meeting:** The motion to change our February meeting will be discussed along with our priorities for 2015. Brucie Cummings suggested that we ask for everyone to ask their commissioners at their last pre-agenda meetings in December, as we have asked Romney Rodgers to do, go over what he sees or what he will promise for the upcoming year in our district. We will have an extended meet and greet the meeting and a pot-luck style buffet and everyone is asked to bring a dish to share.
- 12) Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:51pm.

Respectfully submitted, Steve Stahl, Recording Secretary