

AGENDA BPNA Membership ZOOM

27 April 2021
6:30pm – 7:30pm

Meeting

Meeting called by NA/Monthly Meeting
Attendees: Total Attendees =
 15

6:30 pm **Welcome**

Call to Order | Shelby
Approve last meeting minutes | Shelby
Review tonight's agenda | Shelby

6:30 pm – 6:35 pm **Town Hall Announcement**

6:40 pm – **Unfinished Business**

7:25 pm Financial Updates | Emily
Public Safety Committee Update | Emily
Membership & Events Committee Update | Jason
Beautification Committee Update | Maria
Community Service Committee Update | Caitlyn

7:25 pm – **CHaRM/Agnes Scott Update** | Shelby 7:30 pm

7:30 pm **Adjournment** | Shelby

Welcome

Call to Order | Shelby

- Welcome to our monthly (virtual) BPNA general meeting! Thank you for taking the time to join us this evening! Shelby is grateful and excited to have the privilege to be here and serve as the new BPNA President!

Motion to approve last meetings minutes | *Approved*

*This step is necessary if you believe anything was left off or is inconsistent and needs to be amended

Review tonight's agenda | Shelby

- Public Safety Com. Update
- Membership & Events Update
- Beautification Com. Update
- Community Service Update



Town Hall Announcement

- BP agreed to host a TH with out super district LCJ as well as DKPD and code enforcement
- Question s can be submitted ahead of time [here](#) and on the website
- Free and you can sign up online so we can get your input and hear your thoughts with the commissioner



BELVEDERE PARK

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

TOWN HALL



HOSTED BY COMMISSIONER LORRAINE COCHRAN-JOHNSON



Join Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson and representatives of the DeKalb County Police Department at a virtual town hall for the residents of the Belvedere Park Neighborhood Association to address criminal activity and safety concerns in the Belvedere Park community.

**MAY 11, 2021
6:30PM**



REGISTER » BelvederePark.org

[Register](#)
[Submit Questions](#)

Unfinished Business



Public Safety Committee | Emily

- [Nextdoor Alert System](#): BPNA has established the BPNA Public Safety Nextdoor group that serves as an alert system of neighborhood violent crimes. Please note this group will contain triggers for violence and crime. Join the group.
- [Circle Watch](#): In order to support any gaps in the alert system we have created a Circle Watch. Neighbors form a group chat via text or WhatsApp in order to alert one another of the happenings in a related geographic area known as a "circle." Once neighbors sign-up, it will be up to the circle and block captain to expand to neighbors outside of the Google doc. Sign up [here](#).
- Volunteers Needed: We are seeking committee volunteers to help flier the community for the upcoming town hall with County Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson and other government officials on May 11th at 6:30 p.m.
- Street Sign Cleaning & Replacement: We have been going around and cleaning the street signs to make sure that traffic is able to flow properly and without confusion.
 - Please report any signs that need to be replaced to
- While we await the official Fairlee Speed Table design we are encouraging neighbors to reach out to roads and drainage for any potholes, drainage issues, re-paving needs, curb issues, or steel plates that need to be addressed.
 - [Online Contact Form](#)
 - Asphalt/Paving Direct Line: [\(404\) 297-3912](#)
 - Department of Transportation: [\(770\) 216-3810](#)
 - General Roads & Drainage Phone Number: [\(404\) 297-3840](#)
- Still awaiting news on Carter Rd. They need to initiate a meeting in order to begin the speed study for Carter Rd
- We are looking forward to beginning efforts to increase BP neighbor subscribers to the Safety Patrol
 - We will be picking a date and time for [flier](#) distribution once the funds become available
- Join the Public Safety Committee! To do so you must be a Belvedere Park Neighborhood Association member. If you are interested, join our [NextDoor Committee Group](#)

Membership & Events | Jason

- Are you a Belvedere Park Business Owner?: We are looking to promote local business owners in our new membership welcome bags. This is a great opportunity to get your business information into the hands of our neighbors from day one! We are accepting coupons and flyers or menus to be included in our welcome "baskets" If you would like to have your information included, reach out to Jason at BpnaBoardMember2@gmail.com
- Welcome and thank you to all 36 of our members and congrats on hitting our goal.
- Please get the word out and tell your friends and neighbors
- Our [Belvederian Owl Plaques](#) are still up for sale on the website
 - You can find them on the website under "Memberships and Plaques"
 - Plaque Cost: \$60 for one \$100 for two (an extra for you to donate to a neighbor)
- Membership: We now have 36 total members; we surpassed our goal of 35!
 - Not a member? [Join now](#). Membership Fees: \$20 year / \$5 a quarter.
 - All funds go back into the neighborhood via projects on the agenda as well as the operational costs (paypal button, zoom membership, website, etc.)
- Events: Provided we continue to make positive progress in the fight against Covid-19, we are hoping to host our first BPNA Block Party and Fundraiser before winter hits! There will be a fun raffle (with prizes), good food, and great neighbors! Stay tuned and keep your fingers crossed
- Join the Membership & Events Committee! To do so you must be a Belvedere Park Neighborhood Association member. If you are interested, reach out to to Jason at BpnaBoardMember2@gmail.com

Beautification Committee | Maria

- Sadly, last two cleanups rained out. But the next clean-up will be May 8th and we are hoping for a big turnaround
- Bi-weekly Community Clean-ups: We clean up the main entrances every other Saturday so we can all "notice the cute houses" and not the trash littering the road. **Meet us at Rupert & Memorial April 10th @ 9:30 a.m.**
 - We clean for an hour and have bags, gloves, and grabbers to use if you need them. See you next Saturday!
- Paint A Community Mural With Us!: Tentative dates are May 11-13. The design will read "Welcome to Belvedere Park," include our BPNA logo or owl, and include the Belvedere Civic Club Tree, to pay tribute to the legacy of the original neighborhood association. The whole neighborhood is invited to participate. There will be daytime and evening shifts available. All skill levels are welcome! We will be scheduling volunteers starting the beginning of May.



- Day shifts and evening shifts during the 11-13th and will have to follow social distancing protocol so will not be as much of a group experience as they usually are
 - All skill levels welcome!!
 - Google Doc / Form will go out so people can sign up for tie slots that work for them
- Inspirational Rock Garden: picked up 3 boxes of small landscaping rocks that will be perfect for the inspirational rock garden. The first location will be Carter Rd & Linda Dr. near Fairlee. Email or text Maria (678) 933-4393 to get on board with this project. Looking to pick this up after the murals are completed this summer
- Adopt-A Block:** Unable to attend the Saturday clean-up? Our neighbor Sarah Tynes started Adopt-A-Block. You can adopt a street or a block and pick-up litter on your own schedule. [Join the Adopt-A-Block NextDoor group now.](#)
- Big thanks to everyone who did the tire pick-ups and did the heavy lifting to make sure the neighborhood sounds beautiful
- Join the Beautification Committee! If you like to paint or plant stuff, reach out to Maria at BpnaBoardMember1@gmail.com.

Community Service Committee | Caitlyn

- Freeedge has been tabled due to liability and logistical resource concerns
- We are now looking to hear from our members who partner with smaller and more local charities so please pass on any tips and contacts to BpnaBoardMember3@gmail.com.
- Hoping to establish Quarterly Community Service Events:
 - Winter (Dec/Jan): Clothing/Hot Coco Drive??
 - Spring(March 22): Earth Day Clean-Up (Baseball Fields?)
 - Summer (Jun-Aug?): ??
 - Fall (Oct): Fall Bounty Food Drive
- future projects with CHaRM that can be done with a group of neighbors to learn more and help them out for a morning so that they know we are hear from them and support their mission
- Join the Community Service Committee! To do so you must be a Belvedere Park Neighborhood Association member. If you are interested, reach out to Caitlyn at BpnaBoardMember3@gmail.com.
- [NextDoor Committee Group](#)

Finances | Emily

Income	Jan-2021	Feb-2021	Mar-2021
Membership Dues	\$ 337.34	\$ 65.00	\$ 180.00
Plaque Income	\$ 480.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Item Description			
Website/Internet Fees			
Wix Hosting	\$ 17.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 17.00
eCommerce (through Wix)	\$ 57.49	\$ -	\$ -
Zoom	\$ 14.99	\$ 14.99	\$ 14.99
Bank and Licensing Fees			
GA Corporate Registration & SOS (due again 2023)	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ -
Beautification Committee			
Atlanta ToolBank (clean-up & projects)	\$ 15.00	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Community Service Committee			
Rainy Day Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Income	\$ 817.34	\$ 125.00	\$ 240.00
Expenses	\$ 104.48	\$ 91.99	\$ 31.99
Income-Expenses (per month)	\$ 712.86	\$ 33.01	\$ 208.01
Bottom Line	\$ 712.86	\$ 745.87	\$ 953.88



CHaRM

- Center for Hard to Recycle Materials and working with Agnes Scott to develop an abandoned lot to create a new center for collection as well as a community garden and farm
 - Managed my sustainability non-profit called Live THrive
 - Permanent Drop-off facility that encourages reuse by diverting and recycling thousands of pounds of hard to recycle waste (tires, mattress, paint)
 - Currently a Facility in Southeast Atlanta
 - More info at: LiveThrive.com/CHaRM
- After the first facility the neighborhood saw a dramatic drop in illegal dumpings and beautification improvement
- Turning 5 acres in the big lot behind Kroger (was supposed to be soccer fields but they ended up using an old field so the land was up for grabs) Currently, the MOU is being finalized with Commissioner Johnson's Office
- Project benefits
 - Agricultural benefit, community gardening, educational farm
- We will have the opportunity as a community to provide actionable input on this project

Action Items | Shelby

- Mural Sign-Up
- Town Hall Flier volunteers
- BP Business Support and Welcome Gifts

Q&A:

- Private security patrol: is the private security patrol with a separate fund that pays on off duty officer who works with the DeKalb police south precinct and the enforcement team and patrols 10 hours a week and helps monitor our hotspots like the park, Memorial Drive, Joyce and Line, and a few other hot spots in his California blues and his flights. Also has vacation monitoring via a form online that you can fill out so they will go by and check out your home while you are gone. Lots of benefits to this and allows the neighborhood enforcement team to come to the neighborhood and patrol here often since he is associated. He is also able to respond to calls when he is in the area which allows for fast response time and proactive efforts. Monitors ND and answers our questions to the best of his ability. Very dedicated to BP and making our neighborhood safer. He does utilize a community policing effort so he knows when to use certain measures
- Agriculture based non-profit (nothing is confirmed) But they will be something similar to the "vibe" of the Wylde center and then ¾ of the use being used for plots for neighbors use
- Do we have a timeline? Not really, hoping for sooner rather than later, Agnes Scott and CHaRM are highly motivated and are working very hard to push it through
- Public Safety concerns and connecting with DeKalb Crisis centers to assist women at the City "no"

Extra Notes:

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