

BOYLAN HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2024, 7:00, Rebus Works

I. Welcome and Meet your Neighbors

Mike Motsinger, (President) Corny Motsinger, Laura Weislo, Frank Haynes, (Vice-president), Terri Conyers, John Lunsford (treasurer), Michelle Robinson (at large member), Ethan Hyman, Sandro Gisler, Don Davis, Laura Brown (at-large member), Kris Troost, Jane Barabash (secretary), Igor Barabash, Donna Wooster, Andrew Dunbar, Amy Marschall, Phillip Andreae, Sarah Dinger, Riane Wubbenhorst. Via Zoom: Officer DiCello, Chase Bryan, Bryon Montgomery, Melissa Todd, Bryan Davis, Joe Radinovic, Becky Hyde, Patrick Carroll, Charles McCommas, Kim Deloach, Leslie Fox, Suzanne Botts

II. Approval of Agenda and August Minutes

Agenda was amended to include discussion of the Best of Boylan project. Amended agenda was moved for approval and seconded. Minutes were moved for approval and seconded.

III. Police Report - Officer Di Cello

During the past 30 days there have only been three 911 calls in the neighborhood; regarding a car crash, damage to property, and a hang up call.

Traffic Calming Officer DiCello attended a traffic calming class. Subsequently he placed a speed survey device that collects data on speeding for a 22 day period, between the bottom of Cabarrus toward Boylan Ave.. This data is needed to justify allocation of more police resources. He'll place an additional speed survey detector between Cabarrus and Boylan Bridge. Collected data will be presented at the next meeting. He asked for specific areas of concern re: stop signs. South and Boylan during the evening rush hour and Cabarrus and Boylan during the morning rush hour were noted. He will arrange for some police presence during these times.

A Suspicious Person has been seen walking around the neighborhood, on the tracks, at the Platform, and on the bridge appearing to stalk women and on occasion holding a knife. He is described as average height, thin, blond with a gaunt face. Officer Howard with the ACORN Unit is aware of this person. Officer DiCello suggested calling 911 if this person acts intimidating, whether or not a crime is being committed. First call 911 and then let him know later via text or email.

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IV. Continuing Business

Development Beat: Red Hat Relocation and Closure of South Street

Today, at the City Council Meeting, a public citizen comment time was provided with 15 minutes allocated for citizens to speak for and against closing South Street. The council listened to this, input from the convention center managers, the traffic study report, and additional comments from council members. The mayor and the 6 council members present voted to close South Street. In summary, it was noted that while closure of

South Street was unfortunate, in order to maintain the schedule for the funds allocated the only viable solution that met parameters they had set, required the closure of South street. In the future they acknowledged they need to do a better job of community engagement.

Traffic Study The Raleigh Transportation Department was unable to come to tonight's meeting but plans to present the traffic study at the next BH meeting. This comprehensive traffic study is a long term traffic study projecting out to 2050. It is a macro study and does not reflect street level examination. See youtube link below to view traffic study.

Next Steps A discussion ensued on how the BH neighborhood might work along with other community groups in the future, on areas of mutual interest, in order to be more effective. Attending monthly District D meetings with Jane Harrison and adjoining CAC (citizen advisory council) meetings was suggested. Interested BH residents need to attend these meetings to make their concerns known. Two sources that list times and dates of community meetings, District meetings, CAC meetings, forums, and projects that affect our citizens are Livable Raleigh and One Wake. See information below. The Boylan Heights website has recently been beefed up and includes information on community involvement opportunities and happenings. BH meeting minutes, agendas for meetings, and the by-laws are also posted. Any additions, deletions or changes to this website are welcome and should be sent to sandrogisler@sandrogisler.com.

V. Financial Report

Annual Budget Presentation

The BH Association has two accounts: the general operating account and the art walk account. Both accounts have healthy balances.. The budget for this year was approved by the board at their August BOD meeting. The general operating budget shows a deficit of \$765.00, although this is not a true deficit, as merchandise purchases will be recouped over multiple years. The art walk budget has a current surplus of \$175.00. To look at details of the budget contact John Lunsford (treasurer).

VI. New Business

By-laws Update The bylaws have been posted on the BH Website. Some areas are out of date. The Board will be reviewing the bylaws and drafting changes. There will be a period for resident review and input on changes, with a vote to follow.

Elected Candidate Forums

One Wake is sponsoring an October 10 candidate forum. Pre-registration is required. See the link below.

Charitable Giving Nominations

Part of our mission, as stated in the BH Bylaws, is to support community non-profits with connection to the neighborhood. Donations in the past include the Cecilia Rawlins Fund, Haven House, Project Enlightenment, and Interfaith Food Shuttle. This year the Board has set aside \$500.00 for charitable giving. The main sources of funds for the charitable giving are the proceeds from Best of Boylan and the ArtWalk food booth. Nominations and applications for agencies to receive funds are due by November 15th.

Best of Boylan

The Best of Boylan Silent Auction is an annual neighborhood project to raise money for charitable giving. Neighbors donate their talent, time, and goods for auction to raise money. This can include anything from leaf raking, bread making, gardening, entertaining, or you name it. Don Davis ran the event last year and he is excited to train the next event coordinator (volunteer needed). The Best of Boylan has no set date and can be run at your convenience.

Reference notations -

Traffic study: Raleigh Council Meeting Sept 17, 2024 1:30:33

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48uzLLuq7cQ>

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livableraleigh.com

One Wake

Onewake.org