

CITY OF CUMBERLAND, MD

Neighborhood Advisory Commission (NAC)

MEETING MINUTES – October 31, 2016

Chairman Allen Hedrick called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Chairman Hedrick asked for all to give introduction.

Attendance included appointees: Chairman Allen Hedrick-Chair, Jenn Jeudy, Lt. Brian Lepley, Councilman Seth Bernard, and Terri Hast. Also in attendance was: Eugene Frazier and Frances Cook.

Lt. Lepley made a motion to accept the minutes from August which was seconded and the minutes were approved as submitted. There was no September meeting

Old Business

The Walsh/Humbird neighborhood had no neighbors attend the September 26 NAC meeting held at John Humbird Elementary School.

It has been reported that the Center City Neighborhood Association at been meeting monthly at the Kensington

Due to the vacancy of two appointee positions and with no advertisement of the positions made by the M&CC, Ms. Hast made a motion for the NAC to appoint Gene Frazier and Josh Greise as interim appointees until such positions are advertised, approved and filled. The motion was seconded and all were in favor. Should either of these interim appointees be voted as City Councilmembers in the November election, they will serve in this capacity until their swearing in.

New Business

Francis reminded the NAC that the Cumberland Eastside Neighborhood Association (CENA) meets monthly at 309 Decatur St. They combine neighborhoods of Decatur Heights and Eastside/Willowbrook. They are working on planning their 2017 Picnic. Mr. Hedrick made a motion to have the next NAC meeting held during this group's meeting and along with this to cancel the December 26 NAC meeting due the holidays. This was seconded and all were in favor. CENA will help promote the NAC presence. It is hoped that City Code Enforcement, Section 8 Program and Landlord association will be made aware of the meeting. The scheduled meeting following November's will be January 30th, 2017.

A question asking if a Crime Watch exists in South Cumberland's Little Egypt area was answered by Terri saying "Not anymore but the SCBCA would like to get another working as a committee under the SCBCA's direction."

Jenn suggested that the NAC work towards holding Skype meetings or perhaps conference meetings for those unable to attend. A suggestion was made that a babysitting service should be offered for neighborhood meetings. Perhaps student service hours could be acquired. The NAC appointees should also promote the City's Nixle notification program from the website.

Councilman Bernard invited everyone to the 'Elf Party to be held on November 30th, from 6-7:30 p.m. at City Hall. Crafts, games, goodies, and a reading of The Elf on the Shelf book. A visit from Santa with a photo opportunity will top off the evening.

Mr. Hedrick asked questions regarding the next round of CDBG funding. Ms. Borrer said that details will be forthcoming as public announcements are made.

The NAC will meet next at the CENA meeting to be held November 21st at 7:00 p.m. at 309 Decatur Street. The public is welcome to attend and all neighbors from Decatur heights and Eastside/Willowbrook are encouraged to attend.

Jenn made a motion to adjourned with a second heard by Francis and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Terri Hast

cc: Margie Woodring, City Clerk