**Chastain Park Civic Association**

**April 27 Meeting Minutes**

Board Attendees: Mikki Hawkins, Tejas Patel, Sarah Lynch, Jason White, Jubal Gatwood, Kirk Oppenlander, Mark Reece, Ashley Battleson, Frank Toye, Marsha Holcombe

1. Welcome: Kirk welcomed everyone to the meeting. George Miragraw (sp?) introduced himself as a new neighbor.
2. Mary Norwood (City Council Member).

Kirk introduced Mary and described her dedication to Atlanta’s parks as well as major accomplishments related to Atlanta’s sewer system.

Mary recapped the sewer system solution that she led. Mary noted that the city did not fix the combined system south of our area.

Mary described the “May with Mary” program. She is going to meet with citizens in smaller parks in each district. Mary urged everyone to come out to Tanyard Creek on Whittier Mill.

Mary noted that the bond referendum was passed. Mary said that Howard and Yolanda went to bat for the Buckhead area.

Mary said that she would like to put the city’s finances on the web. Other governments have done this. She is not sure if Mayor Reed will allow it, but thinks that it should be a focus during the next election.

Mark asked about the Bobby Jones renovations. Mary said that a group of people wants a 9 hole course, and there is a group that wants it to remain 18 holes.

Denise stated that she thinks it would be a horrible idea to reduce the course to 9 holes.

1. Meeting Minutes Approval

The March minutes were approved by motion unanimously.

1. Treasurer’s Report

Jubal stated that membership is at 491 members. Some have donated extra and some have pledged security. We have about $29,000 in our bank account.

Jubal stated that mail and credit cards enrollments have tailed off.

1. Membership and Security

Jason stated that the financials show that $6,900 has been paid extra for security.  We also have $5,571 in pledges for security.   Those together total just over $12K specifically dedicated for security.  That would come out to 2 hours a day for a patrol for the rest of the year if we collected all of the pledges.

Discussion ensued regarding how we could provide security going forward.

A number of members discussed other possible improvements (e.g., street sign toppers).

Hillside Dr. and Broadland neighbors are looking to join the Mt. Paran/Northside Civic Association.  Jason said that, as of last check, only 7 neighbors on those streets gave or pledged extra money for CPCA security.

George Miragraw provided his thoughts on security, including obtaining our own car, cameras, and other possibilities.

Discussion continued regarding issues related to cameras.  Jason mentioned that he was told there were 5 cameras in the Park (not installed by the CPCA) but only 3 were working and none of those 3 had the ability to rewind.

1. Website.

Mikki stated that the website has a lot of cool new features. It provides current membership as well as current happenings.

Mikki announced that Pink Barre gave a class. 20 people attended and donated money to the CPCA.

Mikki said that the JLB developer is willing to put sidewalks from the development to the park. Yolanda is going to contact the neighbors to get their take.

This month Dottie Thornton won a gift certificate for 10 free classes at Pink Barre.

On May 30, the CPCA will host a spring social at the American legion. We may also have a food truck.

1. Parade

Mikki mentioned that the Kona Ice truck would be a good idea for the parade. The to-do list for the parade is: permit, fire truck, chik fil a (check with Jim).

1. NPU B

Frank announced that the ZRB meeting/vote on Wieuca has been postponed.

1. NPU A

Mikki mentioned that the arts festival came before NPU A. The city has allowed the festival to start setup at 2:00 am on the Friday night before the festival.

1. Miscellaneous

Kirk stated that this will be the last meeting for this year at the Horse Park. Kirk is talking to NYO, Galloway, American Legion to see about hosting our meetings. Kirk mentioned that Yolanda will be the special guest at the annual meeting. Kirk mentioned that he plans to transition to VP of advocacy.

Marsha announced that they have not started draining the Lake Forest damn. She said that the Windsor Parkway project will start in May. CVS is open and Sprouts will open in June.

Kirk recommended that Jason and Tejas move into a co-presidency role. Kirk said that we should consider a rotating executive model.