

**October 4th, 2017**

**Minutes**

**Greater Glenwood Neighborhood Association Meeting**

**Minutes-** The minutes for August and September were approved, with the caveat that the August Minutes read "August Minutes" instead of "August Agenda", correcting a typo.

**Treasurer's Report** - The primary share's account has \$643.53 available, and the share draft account has \$1,157.43 available. A check to Amy Peddie for the Grove St. Community Garden cleared on September 13th for \$349.48.

**Safety Report-** Community Watch was unable to meet due to unavailability of space.

**Housing Report** - There are 9 Active Housing/Rental Cases in process, 3 in a housing rehab program, 2 have been referred to or Pending MHC, 5 are pending Demo and under construction, 22 are pending demolition and have no action, and 1 is in the process of being demolished.

**Voting in Municipal Elections & Beyond** - City employees noted that it is important to vote in municipal elections because they need good direction on what to do, and the terms will be twice as long now (4 years). Our precinct has historically low turnout (G47). Some Glenwood members are in (G44). Elizabeth Keathly passed out voter guides and sample ballots. There are 15 candidates for 3 at-large city council seats. The city oversees housing services, sidewalk maintenance, garbage collection, parks, police, mental health services, and other services that impact us. Early voting runs until October 2nd. The Primary is on October 10th. You can determine which at-large candidates make it through the primary to the General Election by voting early or in the Primary Election. The general election will be November 7th.

**Allegacy Credit Union** - Tracy Meyers, the Vice President of Business and Community Development from Allegacy Credit Union came to introduce themselves. They are opening a facility in Spartan Village in a little over a month. Scott Milman made this connection and brought them to meet us. They are interested in Glenwood. Kevin Pichardo is in Business Development and engages in community outreach. Millie Herring will be the financial center manager once it opens. Allegacy was founded to serve the family members and employees of RJ Reynolds in the 1930s. They are mainly based in Winston, but they are expanding in Guilford County, and in a few other rural areas. They have 350 employees and have around \$1billion in assets. They are a full-service financial institution, and offer business services, and payroll services in addition to personal banking. Their employees did an average of 20 hours per year of community service last year, and they encourage them to do 15 hours annually. They are a credit union (a cooperatively owned version of a bank), and so members get voting rights at the annual meeting. They have a robust employee wellness program. Members of the Kaplan Wellness Center (UNCG Rec Center), can have a wellness account, where they are rewarded financially for exercising.

They also work with neighborhood associations, and we would be able to make membership available to our residents, if we complete a form entering a partnership with Allegacy Credit Union. This wouldn't cost us money or require a certain amount of people to participate. Members can join and donate to the GGNA through their accounts. They will open next to the Art Store on Lexington & Gate City Blvd. They will have an ITM (similar to an ATM)- that will allow people to video-chat interface with people at their facility in Winston to allow you to apply for loans, and do transactions at the ATM. They partner with shared service centers, and will work with CashPoints ATM. Their Accounts will reimburse up to \$25 a month.

**Festival**

The Ponies cancelled! But the petting zoo will be there. We voted unanimously to approve a budget of \$497.00 for the Fall Festival.

**Food Pantries**

Allegacy might help us with the Food Pantries! They proposed 9. We will meet with them to discuss moving forward on these. Andrew Clement can build them for \$295.00.

**501c3 Progress**

Casey proposed that the Treasurer be responsible for reconciling accounts and tracking our expenditures and funds, and any other officer of the board be responsible for receiving and depositing funds, separating the duties of handling funds and tracking them. The proposal passed with 8 in favor, 1 no, and 1 abstention.

Changing Address: Patricia proposed that we change the address to Grace Community Church for mail and to apply for our 501c3. The resolution passed with 7 in favor, 1 no, and 1 abstention.

**Parking Lot**

Patricia: Tim Johnson and his crew did an awesome job on the little library at Hope Academy, refinished it and made it look more inviting! Thank you.

Scott: The Restaurants at Spartan Village are open, including the art store and hair salon. Bestway is likely to open in one more month. They are looking to fill one more spot with a local business.

Phyllis: The Pancake Breakfast is going to be reinvigorated on Saturday, November 15th at the Glenwood United Methodist Church. Next Meeting to plan will be 7pm on Thursday, October 12th at the Glenwood United Methodist Church.