

EAST COBB CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF February 29, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Jill Flamm, presiding.

I Guest Speaker:

- District 3 Commissioner JoAnn Birrell recognized Trish Steiner recognizing her volunteer service to the County in regards to zoning petition Z43
- Bill Higgins, Manager of Department of Storm Water Management of Cobb County Government.
 - o Mr Higgins discussed the Georgia Flood M.A.P.S. program and the changes made to the flood plane maps in Cobb County. More information can be found online: www.map.georgiadfirm.com
 - o There is a fee based service sponsored by the US government, the USGS Water Alert, that provides alerts for flood conditions as well as a library of flood maps.

II Committee Reports

- A. Adopt-a-Mile, Helga Hong presented: Adopt-a-mile trash pick up will be Saturday April 21st.
- B. Meeting locations, presented by Jill Flamm: Next meeting will be March 28th at the East Cobb Library. The April meeting will be at the Government center.
- C. Code Amendments, presented by Jill Flamm: Commissioners held their review meeting on February 28th, and adopted the majority of ECCA recommendations:
 - a. When applying for a variance, the applicant must notify all contiguous neighbors via certified mail
 - b. Accessory structures within five feet of property line shall not exceed 144 sq. ft, nor a height of 15 feet to top of structure.
 - c. When applying for digital signage/billboard, notification must be sent to all residence within 500 feet, via certified letter.
 - d. When defining order of priority of stipulations, Court orders shall have precedent, followed by ruling of BOC. Staff opinion, Applicant, and Opposition stipulations shall have equal weighting. In the even to of conflicting stipulations, they shall be up for review by the Board for reconciliation.
- A. Financial Report, presented by Marvin Shams:
 - a. Invoices/membership notifications for 2012 dues were sent out via traditional mail.
 - b. 2012 Cash Flow YTD: \$2631.80
 - c. Cash Balance of \$27,395.43

II Zoning Hearings

- A. **Z-12** Hawthorn Extended Living facility redevelopment project seeking to change O&I designation to UVC, presented by Eric Jacobsen: There is no opposition. There is support by local businesses. A motion was made for "No Action", and a second followed by discussion. Motioned carries.
- B. V-18 waive rear setback for accessory structure over 144sf from 30feet to 11feet and waive side setback from 10feet to 9feet, presented by Jill Flamm. After a presentation, a motion was made to "Support" with stipulations:
 - a. 8 foot privacy fence to screen from neighbors, with "attractive" side out.

- b. no electricity to the structure
- c. no speakers at the structure
- d. any lighting must be down-ward casting
- e. CO tied to installation of fence.

A second, discussion. Motion carries

- A. V-21 waive impervious surface from 35% to 39.3%, Presented by Eric Jacobsen: Pool and coping to be installed. some walkways and other impervious surfaces were removed and some replaced with pervious pavers to bring within compliance. After a presentation, a motion was made for "No Action", a second, discussion. Motion carries
- B. V-22 waive side setback for retaining wall (13feet) from 15feet to 0feet (along property line), Presented by Lee O'Neal: A presentation was made. A motion was made for "No Action", a second, a discussion. Motion carries

III Old Business

- A. January Minutes were approved.

IV New Business

- A. Oversight committee made a presentation to the Commissioners. Powerpoint slide presentation is available online at the county website.

V Announcements

VI Adjournment

Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 28th 2012, at East Cobb Library. Meeting will begin at 7:00pm and end promptly by 9:00pm

There being no further business to come before the membership at this time, upon proper motion, seconded, and adopted unanimously, this meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee O'Neal