

NPU-V Meeting
December 10th, 2018
Pittsburgh
Pittman Park Recreation Center
950 Garibaldi St. SW
Atlanta, GA 30310

INVOCATION

Columbus Ward convened the meeting. Ms. Butler led invocation.

Approval of Minutes

There was a motion to approve the November minutes with a correction to the Nominations Committee typo: o-no, o-abstain.

Neighborhood Reports

Adair Park - None.

Capitol Gateway - Two more properties have been obtained for the Memorial Drive Greenway Project, which meets monthly. Contact maceofletcher@yahoo.com, (404)-484-2834.

Mechanicsville - Christmas dinner was last Thursday. Gifts were given out and \$1,000 was given to Black Women's Wellness. Clea Winslow has helped find a liaison for the city's Film Department. The NPU-V special events process needs to be revisited. Mechanicsville residents attended the Community Forum.

Peoplestown -

Peoplestown Neighborhood Association - PNA is working on a Christmas fundraiser for 1st graders at Barack and Michelle Obama Academy. \$500 of the \$1,000 goal has been raised. The Southside Beltline meeting was last month - more attendance is needed at future meetings. Atlanta has still not levied the fine or 300-day alcohol license for 12 Atlanta Ave. as recommended by the License Review Board.

Peoplestown Revitalization Corporation - On 12/16, gifts with Santa and Santa photos will be at 5 PM at the Rick McDevitt Center. On 12/24 at 8 AM, Santa and gifts and storytelling will take place at Emmaus House.

Pittsburgh - None

Summerhill - Senior lunch and gifts, games, and entertainment will occur at Capitol Avenue Apartments on 12/19 and for youth at Martin Street Apartments on 12/21. Four Summerhill youth volunteered for the Community Forum. The new GSU student apartments will have a parking garage for use by the entire community. The development will also have a national chain grocery store with pharmacy. A MARTA representative will talk with seniors to discuss improving services.

Roll Call

Adair Park - 4

Capitol Gateway - 1

Mechanicsville - 6

Peoplestown - 8

Pittsburgh - 6

Summerhill - 5

Public Safety

Fire Department Battalion 5 - During the holidays there is a large increase in cooking fires. Pay close attention while cooking. Space heater fires also occur - do not leave a space heater on when you leave the room. In the evening, close bedroom doors when you go to sleep to allow more time to escape a fire and block smoke.

Question: If you have burglar bars, what is the best way to escape?

Answer: Some bars have an inside lock, but the fire department can easily remove bars during a rescue.

Question: What happened in the 55 Polk St. fire?

Answer: No information is available, yet.

Concern: With colder weather, abandoned houses are being used by squatters.

Answer: Contact APD and Code Enforcement.

Atlanta Police Department Zone 3 - Since June, Captain Sendzior has appreciated the hospitality. APD does neighborhood sweeps with Code Enforcement and Watershed, looking for blight and trash. The first sweep in Pittsburgh will be this Wednesday. Crime is trending down except south of Adair Park. Do not warm up cars unattended and leave valuables out of sight. There will be federal charges for guns and narcotics resulting from the 1002 Ira St. raid.

Concern: 1003 McDaniel St. is operating on the previous owner's license.

Answer: Attend the License Review Board with a strong community presence.

Question: What attention has been given to 12 Atlanta Ave?

Answer: Code Enforcement was sent to investigate and plain clothes officers are being used.

Question: How are decibel levels measured for noise complaints? There have been issues with special event permits at 787 Windsor St.

Answer: Captain Sendzior will email Ms. Ridley.

Question: The community has spoken out against 12 Atlanta Ave. Off-duty officers are providing private security to a business operating illegally under the previous owner's permit.

Answer: APD supports what the community supports.

Concern: Policy makers are not enforcing LRB decisions.

Answer: The distance is set to conform to similar city ordinances.

Question: If the owner has pending charges, can officers work there?

Answer: No, but the LRB recommendations have not been enforced, yet.

Elected Officials

Pat Gardner's Office - Pat Gardner wishes everyone happy holidays. The legislative session begins the 2nd week of January. Youth aged 12-17 years old can participate in the page program. Contact (404) 656-0265 or Gloria Smith at (678) 772-4011.

Citizens Review Board

Michael Hoffman is the NPU-X chair. For problems with APD, provide your name of fill out a card. Also visit www.acrbgov.org or call (404)-865-8622.

By-laws Committee Report

Proposed language was presented whereas meetings may only be recorded by the NPU-V secretary or a person approved by the NPU-V chair or executive committee. There was a motion and second to approve the language change: 22-yes, 2-no 3-abstain.

Nominating Committee Report/Elections

The names of eligible voters was presented and given voting cards. The names of nominees was presented.

Columbus Ward was nominated for chair. There was a motion and second to close.
Stephanie Flowers was nominated for vice-chair. There was a motion and second to close.
James Collins was nominated for corresponding secretary. There was a motion and second to close.
Clemmy Jenkins was nominated for recording secretary. There was a motion and second to close.
Geoff Heard was nominated for parliamentarian. There was a motion and second to close.
Sohna Harzeez was nominated for treasurer. There was a motion and second to close.

It was moved and seconded to accept all nominations by acclamation: 14-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.

Planner's Report/Voting Matters

Z-18-134 - It was moved and seconded to approve the ordinance: 14-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain