

EAST COBB CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

July 28, 2021
Virtual via Zoom

Membership Meeting Minutes

ECCA President, Ric Grome, brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Programs – Roger Phelps

The August speaker will be David Banks, Post 5 Cobb County School Board member. The increase in COVID cases was discussed as the August meeting is planned to be in-person.

Minutes – Chris Ensley

June meeting minutes were approved.

Financial Status – Marvin Shams

We have 91 members (30 individual) up from 83 members last year. The work of the Membership committee was acknowledged in helping drive the increase. YTD cash flow is \$2,700. The D&O insurance has been paid (same rate for 4yrs) as well as the P.O. Box fee. ECCA is also making a grant to the public library foundation for capital improvements. The donation was made using previous year's cash flow. They have identified \$2,500 of materials for the Lower Roswell location, including AV and computer upgrades. The funds will not be used for books or CDs.

Adopt-A-Mile – Jill Flamm (for Helga Hong)

The July 17th event was attended by seven people and yielded 5 bags of trash.

Safety Personnel Appreciation – Ric Grome

The ECCA has hosted an annual safety personnel appreciation luncheon for police officers and the ECCA Board agreed to expand it to include fire personnel. There are nine fire departments in our East Cobb area. We will serve lunch to three, rotating the locations each year. The first three stations will be Station 3 on Terrell Mill, Station 15 on Oak Lane, and Station 20 on Hilton Drive. The proposed approach is one per month the first week of September, October and November. Members are encouraged to join ECCA Board Members in this appreciation out-reach and it was requested they email presidentecc@gmail.com. for specific date and time for your fire station's luncheon. Additionally, ECCA may email nearby member subdivisions encouraging attendance.

Zonings, Variances and OBIs – Chris Lindstrom

- **Z-72** – Case Manager: Jill Flamm. Location: Shallowford Road & Johnson Ferry. The applicant is North Point Ministries and they would like to build a large church, parking lot, and townhomes. The applicant has made many changes – mostly brick, peaked roofs, improved entrances to name a few. Another stipulation letter was recently received and we have not had the chance to thoroughly review. The residential portion has been the most contentious; our push has been for medium density residential while the applicant has pushed for high density. Sidewalks, backyards and setbacks needed to be added to the site plan.

Decision: Hold

- **Z-26** – Being held to August. Apparent push from the Commissioner is for a site plan with 10 homes. This would be better than what has been presented before, though still RSL. The appropriate classification is R15 or R20, as this is common in the area.
- **Z-31** – Case Manager: Chris Lindstrom. Location: Ebenezer Road. This was a 49 acre horse farm. The applicant has requested R15 OSC and also requested RA5. They subsequently dropped the RA5 portion. Chris Lindstrom was attending a third meeting with the neighbors to get more information about the project. There are approximately eight neighborhoods surrounding the property and the concern is that if they do not agree on what would be acceptable, they will not be able to positively affect the project. We are still awaiting additional information. Expectation is that it will likely be delayed to September.
- **OB-37** – Case Manager Jill Flamm. Location: Wesley Chapel. This had been moved through the process only to receive late feedback from the Fire Marshall stating that the applicant must have an additional entrance. The developer is losing, the nearby neighbors are upset. The Fire Marshal suggested they could add sprinkler systems (expensive) to the homes. They have delayed it for a month in the hope the Fire Marshal would give them a variance.
- **V-101** – Case Manager: Kris Killough. Location: Indian Hills Country Club. The applicant would like to reduce the setbacks to accommodate a remodeled deck. The hardship is the unique lot and the neighbors are in agreement.

Decision: No Comment

- **V-103** – Case Manager: Jill Flamm. Location: Little Willeo. The applicant is once again requesting a variance, this time for impervious surfaces to accommodate an expansion of the driveway. The information was received shortly after Jill's return and her initial thought was that the applicant would need to remediate the issue. Jill will visit the site, review more thoroughly and will provide an update next month.

Other Business -

None

There being no additional business or announcements, the meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

Respectfully,

Chris Ensley
Secretary