

**Historic Aycock Neighborhood Association
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
Date: April 22, 2016**

Board Members Present: Brian Gillies, David Horth, David Wharton, Lynne Leonard, Mindy Zachary, Raleigh Stout, Shawn Wriede.

Board Members Absent: Anne-Marie Earl, alternate Bob Coltun, Erin Kennedy, Past President Linda Fusco, Mark Walter.

Others Present: Mebane Ham, Paula Patch, Elizabeth Horth, City of Greensboro planners Stefan-leih Geary and Hanna Cockburn, and more neighborhood residents.

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Monday, April 25, 2016 at St. Leos's Place. Meeting was called to order at 6:29 pm by President David Horth.

Approval of Minutes: Secretary Raleigh Stout re-sent the minutes via email to the Board for the months of January, February, and March of 2016. President Horth requested to defer approval and discussions due to the need for public participation in MSD funding priorities to be presented by the City of Greensboro and the neighborhood board.

Action items:

1. *The Board of Directors to discuss and vote on meeting minutes in a future meeting.*

GSO Police/Community Resource Team Report: President Horth stated that he received an emailed report from GPD Officer Taylor.

Action items:

2. *Raleigh Stout to continue to invite GPD to monthly board meetings.*

Treasurer's Report: Mindy Zachary reported that through the end of March total income was \$0.24. Net income was minus \$122.49. Total liabilities and equity was \$5,990.13. No motion was entered for approval.

Action items:

3. *Raleigh Stout to enter a motion to approve the treasurer's report to the board for discussion and a vote in a future board meeting.*

Historic Preservation: No report.

Special Report: A speaker for *Advocates for the Downtown Greenway* handed out information and invited interested parties to participate as neighborhood representatives in ensuring timely completion of a high quality and functional bicycle network to reduce the need for motor vehicles in moving around the central business district.

President's Report:

President David Horth introduced City of Greensboro staff and presented how the neighborhood board partnered with the City of Greensboro to create a plan of funding priorities for the next three years regarding municipal service district (MSD) funds, which is influenced by

new legislation from the State and new procedures developed by the City in response. He presented to the community at large along with Stefan-leih Geary, Preservation Planner, and Hanna Cockburn, Long-Range and Strategic Planning Manager, both from the City of Greensboro.

President Horth and city planners presented slides and paper documentation about how the MSD funding process is planned and under what categories MSD funding will be eligible for use. Paper copies of the draft plan were distributed for reference to the attendees. The draft under consideration is titled *Aycock Municipal Service District 2016-2019 MSD Plan, Spring 2016* with credit for its preparation to the City of Greensboro Planning Department and to our neighborhood association.

Mebane Ham moved to accept the draft MSD plan with amendments generated with community consensus during this meeting. Shawn Wriede seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

David Wharton moved to amend language for a bullet item about public art under the category of enhancing neighborhood gateways. His motion was to change the language to “work with Action Greensboro to enhance and improve pedestrian infrastructure between the neighborhood and the Downtown Greenway.” Raleigh Stout seconded. Discussion centered on the need to ensure that a pathway connection would be supported within the language of the bullet item and to deemphasize support only to public art, which is already funded from other sources. The motion passes unanimously.

David Wharton moved to amend language for the category title “Preserve the Historic Streetscape and Environment” to “Preserve the Historic Neighborhood Setting.” Brian Gillies seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Without a motion, the city of Greensboro agreed to clarify language in this draft MSD plan regarding a partnership with the Greensboro Transit Authority on the partial use of MSD funds along with other city funding for street furniture, like bus stops in the neighborhood, under the category “Preserve the Historic Setting.”

Action items

4. *President Horth requested an action item for himself to communicate with the owners of property near to the pedestrian tunnel about a public/private partnership opportunity for the use of the land as envisioned by the City under the category of “Neighborhood Amenities.”*
5. *The Board of Directors must hold votes previously deferred to a future meeting to approve the secretary’s reports and minutes for January, February, March, and April of 2016.*
6. *The Board must hold votes to approve the Treasurer’s reports for March and April of 2016.*

Fundraising & Committee Reports: No reports.

Adjournment: President Horth concluded the meeting at 8:15 p.m.