

Madison Park HOA Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 11, 2019

Location: Pinewood Elementary School

Attendance Count: 37 Attendees

Meeting started at 7:00pm and ended at 8:04pm

7:00pm: Meeting began with introduction and general announcements from president

- Welcome to new guests and recognition of first time attendees
- Reminder of need to become membership and description of advantages of doing so
- The Madison Park Book Club will be meeting on March 26th at 6:30pm, location to be determined. The Book Club is reading "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee. Info is available at gay.hurst@gmail.com.
- Madison Park Running Club meets every Thursday for a 6:30pm run. The 5k course is currently beginning at Lucky Lou's, located on Park Road.
- 2nd Friday Social is scheduled for 6:00pm on April 12th at Brazwell's on Montford Drive.
- Open Streets 704 will take place on April 28th. Routes and general information are available at openstreets704.org
- The annual Madison Park Easter Egg Hunt is in April 13th at 10:00am
- A city noise ordinance meeting will be taking place on March 10th and 11th at 12:00pm at the Belmont Center

7:09pm: Community Crime and Safety Report from Officer Blackwell

- Between Jan 14th and March 11th, several break-ins were reported
- No major criminal activity reported in the neighborhood during this period
- Officer Jessup can be reached for information at wjessup@cmpd.org

7:12pm: President's report

- Several members of the Madison Park HOA Board attended a meeting on February 27th to receive a placemaking grant for the neighborhood
- This represents one of 10 projects, and will be used in Madison Park for a painted intersection at Wedgewood and Seneca
- Process was described and it was announced that design ideas would be solicited
- The structure at 5626 Murrayhill was demolished and the lot cleared

7:16pm: Guest Speaker: Carol Thompson, Master Gardener

- Description of Master Gardener program, a volunteer based program provided by Mecklenburg County and in partnership with NC State and NC A&T
- A description of proper pruning, planting, and lawn care techniques was presented
- Safety concerns and information about watering were discussed
- Soil testing packets and a variety of informational materials were distributed
- Questions from attendees were answered
- More information can be found by contacting info@mastergardenersmecklenburg.org

7:33pm: Guest Speakers: Mike Osbourne, Tesho Okioga Tega, Kyle Massey, and Richelle Hines, regarding the wastewater Replacement Project slated to take place in Madison Park and adjacent neighborhoods

- The neighborhoods sewer system dates back to when the area was developed in the 1950's, and it subsequently reaching the end of its ability to function properly
- Despite periodic improvements, the system has deficiencies such as failing pipes and stormwater overflows
- Modern methods and materials for handling wastewater have improved significantly
- Phase I of this project includes identifying the location of deficiencies and conducting hydraulic modeling to estimate the size of future pipes
- Current estimated of linear footage needed exist but the actual total amount of work that needs to occur is currently unknown
- A description of the testing, surveying, and inspection process was presented
- A discussion of the easement acquisition process was also provided
- Every attempt will be made to communicate the process and ensure that the neighborhood is made aware of what is happening
- Questions regarding the process, the timeline, and cost were taken and answered
- There will not be a cost to homeowners
- For more information, residents can contact:
 - Richelle Hines - 704-336-1040 or richelle.hines@charlottenc.gov
 - Irene T. Okioga Tega - 704-249-4078 or Irene.okioga@ci.charlotte.nc.us

8:00pm: Treasurer's Report with Tom Im

- The balance at the beginning of February was \$4,401.03
- There was a refund of \$1.00 for storage fees, as well as withdrawals for the storage unit and the bank maintenance fee, totaling \$17.77
- A net ending balance of \$4,384 was reported

8:03pm: Additional Neighborhood Announcements

- A book drive to support Julia's Café (Habitat for Humanity) will be taking place between March 1st and March 30th
- A previous drive raised \$36,000 worth of books
- Bags will be distributed and then picked up once filled with books
- April 13th will see a return of the Shred-It event to Madison Central Park
- Documents, batteries, and light bulbs will be collected for recycling
- The Sheriff will also be at this event to collect unused medications
- Volunteers are needed for this event
- The Urban Institute City Walk will take place on May 11th
- Will include a restaurant tour and a local historian
- CROWN, a chapter of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation, has several upcoming events
- On March 12th, Climate Change and Nature, 6:30pm at Discovery Place Nature
- On March 30th, a members-only paddling event will take place at Latta Plantation and Nature Reserve from 10:00am and 12:00pm
- On April 9th, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm, How to Teach Your Children About Nature, at Discovery Place Nature

8:07pm: Conclusion of Meeting

- The next Madison Park HOA Meeting will take place on April 8th
- Guests will include Mecklenburg County Commissioner Susan Harden who will discuss taxes and tax allocation, and Mary Burgess from the North Carolina Wildlife Foundation

