

CLEVELAND PARK CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
Meeting of Board of Directors
October 15, 2012

Decisions Taken:

- 1) Minutes of 9/10/12 meeting approved. (subject to comments)
- 2) Draft Resolution about ABRA approved. (subject to comments)
- 3) Mark to manage the agreed process of presenting a Resolution on the Bill to amend the ABRA mandate.
- 4) Mark to design the November membership meeting.
- 5) Susie to approach Eleanor Holmes Norton about a 2013 membership meeting.
- 6) Ana to circulate draft acknowledgments.
- 7) Ana to follow up with the Federation of Civic Associations about their Oct. 27 luncheon.
- 8) Ann to follow up with George Idelson about meeting of Federation of Citizens Association.
- 9) John to work on Directors' and Officers' insurance.
- 10) Various people to work on making Bylaws consistent with new D.C. tax code.
- 11) Ruth to circulate proposed website responsibilities
- 12) Ann to circulate procedures for Board members to test membership module on website.
- 13) Susie to work with George Idelson on plans for Regulatory Committee.

The Board of Directors of the Cleveland Park Citizens Association met at the home of Ann Hamilton at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 15, 2012. Present were: Susie Taylor, President; Ann Hamilton, 1st Vice President; Ruth Caplan, 2nd Vice President; Ana Evans, Corresponding Secretary; and Jeff Davis, Christopher Fioravante, Clark Madigan, and Mark Rosenman, At-Large members. Rachel Cox, John Korbel, and Margie Siegel were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. after a brief celebration of the President-for-Life's birthday.

Minutes. The minutes of the Board meeting of September 10, 2012, were **approved**. Ann was reminded that she had promised Susie her notes for the Board meetings of 3/21/12, 4/23/12, and 5/20/12.

ABRA Resolution. Susie described the status of the Bill to amend the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) mandate and the problems with the Bill in its current form. It was agreed that a Resolution opposing the Bill in its current form should be proposed to the membership. The Board **approved** the draft Resolution, which would be posted on the CPCA website and presented to the October 18 membership meeting. It would also be sent to Mary Cheh in its proposed form for her information. Unless, fast-moving circumstances suggested another course, the Resolution would be voted on by the membership at its November 15 meeting.

November Meeting. After consideration of a number of alternatives, it was agreed that the program at the November 15 membership meeting should focus on the proposed re-write of the Zoning Regulations. A number of possible approaches and participants were discussed. It was

agreed that Mark would propose a design for the meeting. Both Mark and Ann noted that they would not be here for the meeting.

Future Meetings. It was noted that the only meeting scheduled for 2013 (after the Holiday Party in December) was for a discussion of *Greening Cleveland Park*, and agreed that Susie would contact Eleanor Holmes Norton to follow up on her expression of willingness to address such a meeting.

Other Membership Matters. Ana described the proposed approach to acknowledging membership contributions and to thanking those who donated more than membership amounts. It was suggested that the former should include reference to CPCA's 501(c)3 status, and to the new website.

Ruth noted the interest expressed at the previous day's CP Day festivities by people who lived east of Connecticut Ave., mostly in apartment buildings. It was agreed that special efforts needed to be made to reach out to apartment dwellers, and suggested that a Happy Hour event might be useful.

Susie called attention to the Federation of Civic Associations annual awards luncheon on October 27, and asked members to attend. Although the deadline for purchasing seats had passed, Ana agreed to contact the Federation to see if we could purchase four seats.

Susie also called attention to the announcement from the Federation of Citizens Associations about a November 8 hearing on the proposed Zoning Rewrite.

Financial. In John Korbel's absence, discussion of financial matters was postponed to the next meeting. However, Ann reported that the version of the Bylaws on the website had been updated and is now the final version, and that she is the Association's Registered Agent. She also reported that John was working on Directors' and Officers' insurance. It was noted again that the Bylaws should be reviewed to ensure that they are consistent with the new provisions of the D.C. tax code for non-profits.

Website. Ruth described the launching of the website, and outlined the proposed responsibilities of Board members for various features. She agreed to circulate the document for reactions. Ann asked that Board members try to use the aMember membership module on the website and let her know of any issues or difficulties. She agreed to circulate the instructions.

Committees.

Connecticut Avenue Coalition.

Streetscape Project: Susie reported that DDOT had said it was unable to change the incorrect streetlight arms it had installed onto the traffic lights at Connecticut and Macomb Street. Susie undertook to bring this matter to the attention of Mary Cheh.

Engine 28: She reported on the ground-breaking ceremony for the Engine 28 firehouse, attended by the Mayor, the Fire Chief, and many others, noting that the remodeling was scheduled to be completed by July 5, 2013.

McFaddens: Susie and Mark reported their preference that the Voluntary Agreement be with the ANC, rather than with CPCA, and that the affected ANC members (Leila Afzal and Nancy

MacWood) had agreed to undertake discussions with the owner of the Uptown Tap House. However, it had so far been impossible to find a mutually satisfactory time.

CP Day 2012: Susie and Christopher were congratulated on their efforts in support of Cleveland Park Day (Oct. 14), and Susie thanked all the Board members who had contributed their time to the successful event. Jeff reported that about \$7,000 in sponsorships -- \$200 more than expenses -- had been committed prior to the event, and that some \$1,270 had been received for tickets and tote bag sales on CP Day itself.

Aging in Place. Susie reported that the Cleveland Park Village had received 501(c)3 status, and that they are well on their way to the goal of having 50 members, 50 volunteers, and \$90 thousand in cash by the end of the year. "Friend-raisers" to date had yielded 13 confirmed members, 22 pledged members, and \$25.5 thousand, and several future events are planned. The Village needs \$80 thousand to hire a Director; they hope to achieve this goal and to hire someone in March.

Regulatory and Public Safety. Ann reported, on the basis of a CP Day conversation, that George Idelson had agreed to chair this committee, of which Clark would serve as Board liaison. Susie agreed to work with George to design the committee's terms of reference and work plan.

Other. NCS Athletic Center. Susie reported that there had been an amicable meeting on October 3 of the NCS Athletic Center Usage Committee, and that a process had been set up for neighbors to alert the school via email of traffic, parking and other issues. This process was working well.

Giant Construction Management Agreement. Susie also reported that the ANC and Giant/Bozzuto had reached agreement on a Construction Management Agreement, which included a committee to regularly review the situation during the 2- or 3-year construction period. After discussion with Board members, she had named Ann as CPCA's representative on the committee.

Future Meetings. It was agreed that in the future, Board meetings would be held on the Monday following a membership meeting (which are all on the third Thursday of the month), so the next Board meeting would be on November 19th. The question was left open as to whether there would be a Board meeting in December, when the membership meeting would be replaced with a holiday party. 2013 meetings would be on January 21, February 23, March 26 (which may need to be rescheduled because of Passover), April 22, and May 20, *not* on the dates previously scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Hamilton