

Neighborhood Preservation Commission
October 13, 2011
Minutes

A meeting of the Neighborhood Preservation Commission was held on Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. in Economic and Community Development, Blue Room.

Chairman, Rebecca DeRousse was present and presiding.

In attendance – David Cook, Daniel Dent, Larry Farabee, Sandra Hayne, Pat Mahoney, Ron Sklar, Andrea Vu, Alderman Mike Palazzolo,

Absent – Becky Dunn, David Jackson, Lisa Parker – Planning Commission Liaison

Also in attendance – Sherrye Rhea and Joe Nunes– Neighborhood Services,

A quorum was established.

Minutes – deferred until next meeting

Chairmen's Comments – Rebecca wanted to express her appreciation for the wonderful job Larry did with Germantown Cares. There is a conflict our November 10 meeting and the commission dinner. The NPC meeting will be moved to November 1 so that we can meet before the Summit.

At the commission dinner the Jo Reed Award will be given out. They are encouraging commissions to make nominations. There have been several from NPC that have won the award. Sandra Hayne was the winner last year and David Jackson and Billy Brown are former winners.

Reports

Alderman Mike Palazzolo Report – Alderman Palazzolo encouraged the commission to attend the Commission Dinner. If you are going please make sure you RSVP to Michele Betty. The Dogwood Park community project was held October 1. It was a huge success. Amnesty Dumpster Day was held in September and over 1,000 residents participated.

The Board, Mayor and Patrick will be visiting east Tennessee next week visiting Alcoa school district, Maryville school district and Farragut. They are independent school districts that were formed within the last 10 years.

Neighborhood Services Report – Joe Nunes reported that the entire neighborhood services department has been working on the new sanitation roll out again. We have ended up very short on recycling carts. We are estimating that over 74% of Germantown households have requested a recycling cart. There is a drop off container for those that do not have the recycling cart yet and still want to recycle. We are waiting until the recycling RFP goes through purchasing then we will send out a decal that goes on the top of the container which will have the acceptable materials and a brochure.

Environmental Commission – There was not an official meeting because a lack of quorum.

Planning Commission – There was not a meeting this month.

CONA Report – A representative from Shelby County Sherriff office spoke on safety. Also the Mayor gave an update on the school situation.

Neighborhood Summit – Sherrye Rhea gave out brochures and encouraged the members to give them out. Also, posters were given out to be distributed. Sponsorships and door prizes were discussed. Judges were also discussed. She will call Kevin Young to ask if he will do it again. She met with Home Depot today to discuss building a float for the Holiday parade and letting the Neighborhood Association of the Year ride along with them. Also, she has asked Parks and Rec to help provide a car for the Neighborhood Leader to ride in for the parade. The theme for this year's parade is *A Germantown Family Holiday*. Alderman Palazzolo talked with Holiday Ham about catering for the summit. They will deliver and do the set up. We will not order soft drinks this year, we will go with tea and lemon aid from Holiday Ham. David Jackson donated several very nice frames for the winner's certificates. Sidney Kuehn has once again pulled through for this commission. He has asked Kroger to donate 12 table decorations and Hicks to donate the table clothes. Sherrye needs all information from door prizes and sponsorships for the book. Larry and his wife will be doing the gift bags for the speakers.

Germantown Cares - Larry reported that the police department, all fire stations and the Animal Shelter employees were fed. Hotdogs were given away that evening at Pops in the Park. \$165 so collected and it has been matched and we currently have \$350 for the Memphis Oral School for the Deaf.

Unfinished Business – None

New Business - None

Concerns and or comments – Larry asked why the illuminated gas sign at the service station across from Germantown Baptist Church was dark. Joe explained that with the new owners the sign were no longer available.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned.