BHNA BOARD MEETING
ZOOM
January 24, 2022

1. **The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM**

2. **Board Members (Put X in appropriate column**

	In Attendance:	Absent:
1. Eliza Hawkins,	X	
2. Casey McLaughlin,	X	
3. Mary Kay Falconer,	X	
4. Mike Brezin,	X	
5. Donna Legare,	X	
6. Janeen Piotrowski,	X	
7. Tom Waits,		X
8. Claire Cotton-Watkins,	X	
9. Keith Bowers,	X	
10. Margie McInnes.	X	
11. Tom Schulte	X	
12. Jenn Winegardnen	X	
13. Mario Taylor	X	
14. Geoffrey Deibel		X

3. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING APPROVED DATED: November 15, 2021**

Motion #1 by__Donna Legare_____to approve, Seconded by __Mike Brezin_____

<u>Motion Approved</u> with Mike Brezin's change-
Correction to minutes from 11/15/21: Betton Road Segment goes from Betton to Lee is what will be finished next.

4. **FINANCIAL UPDATE: Claire Cotton-Watkins and Keith Bowers will meet to go over financials. Eliza will coordinate to find the next Tues evening that works.**

   (Insert of screen grab of Financial summaries.)

5. **MEMBERSHIP: An update was provided on Membership and dues payments by <u>Eliza Hawkins</u>**

6. **WEBSITE: Casey McLaughlin will prepare a website traffic report for the February meeting**

7. **EVENTS: (Annual: 1.Arbor Day, 2. Easter Egg Hunt, 3.Block Parties, 4.,Garage Sales, 5. Food Truck events, 6., Fall Festival, 7. Caroling in Harriman, 8. Other)**

New Event - Eliza proposed to add luminaries event to the lineup of events. Hopeful to coordinate it in the summer so that many hands make work light.

1. **Arbor Day - Update from Donna Legare. Arbor Day coming up this Saturday. Jody is making cinnamon buns and there will be hot chocolate/coffee. Tom Schulte and Mary Kay are helping. Mario Taylor moved to cover expenses up to $250. Mike Brezin seconded. <u>Motion Approved.</u>**

2. **Easter Egg Hunt - Mario Taylor said he would touch base with the person who coordinates the Easter Egg Hunt. It will be the Saturday of Easter weekend. April 16, 2022.**

ACTIVITY UPDATES

8. **PREP: Mario Taylor has no updates at this time. Waiting for hurricane season.**

9. **CONSTRUCTION UPDATES: (1. Betton Road, 2., Multi-use Path, 3. Covered Ditch, 4. Other Drainage Projects)**

    1. **Betton Road update - Mike Brezin said that the segment from Thomasville to Lee should be done at the end of February. To do the road walk, they want everything complete and let it cure for a while. Then, part of Centerville to Hickory or Lee will be closing for construction. Brezin will to do a write up for email blast.**

    2. **Thomasville multi-use path. Eliza Hawkins provided an update There is a meeting on the 1/31. Mary Kay Falconer said she thinks the meeting will be vote up - move forward, vote down - stop.**

    3. **Covered Ditch – Mary Kay Falconer will keep pursuing information on this.**

10. **SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS: Mary Kay Falconer said she would coordinate talking to the schools about our giving of the schools. Mark Kay recently posted a photo to the FB group of the little amphitheater that was given to Kate Sullivan Elementary. Mary Kay will give an update next meeting. Donna Legare said she has the history on this as well.**

11. **ATN UPDATE: Alliance of Tallahassee Neighborhoods – Mike Brezin gave update. Betton Hills is a part of this group. Main items - Reuse of the Northwood Mall and the Old Police Station. Their agenda is focused on the use being the best fit for the site and neighborhoods.**

12. **WELCOME LETTERS: Tom Schulte said he communicated with Naughman Group to find out the latest list of new residents. The previous list for the last distribution was from April 2021. Eliza Hawkins has a friend who is volunteering to hand-deliver letters. Tom will send Eliza the latest list from May 2021 for the next round of welcome letters.**

13. OBSERVATION DECK: Mario Taylor and Mike Brezin said they are still willing to work on this. If anyone else is interested in this, they should meet with Ashley and price it out. Francis Roberts interest seems to have waned. Mike suggested this fits in with the Bellamy Fund.

14. RECOGNIZING GOOD NEIGHBORS : Mario Taylor said he would talk to Karen. Margie McInnes suggested Megan Funkhouser and Beth Dolan who started the Bunko nights. Aim for recognizing neighbors contributions twice a year to coincide with the newsletter.

15. OTHER ACTIVITY UPDATES:

1. **Neighbor attended meeting at the start - Jim Ward, an attorney. Update on ongoing noise Issues. He has reached out to Deputy Chief Holmes about the noise disturbances affecting Betton. Jim suggested strength in numbers since at least 15 people complained in FB group about early AM noise coming from Circle K. Ordinance needs to be amended to give law enforcement the means to shut down a single person as well as a large group playing loud music. Law enforcement says they could not trespass a single person, but Jim suggested they could at least tell them they are violating the noise ordinance. He wants to lead this initiative to help modify the ordinance so that officers can respond appropriately.**

   Next steps:
   Mario Taylor suggested he work with the designated officer for our neighborhood, create a summary and take it to City Hall. Mike Brezin said he would follow up to talk about some approaches. Keith Bowers said he will call and see if he can get a copy from the city manager or city attorney.

2. **Composting - Mary Kay and Donna will discuss next steps and a write up/photo for the compositing initiative.**

3. **MetroNet – Mario Taylor said we can remind neighbors that in the next 2-3 months MetroNet should be available. So far, they put all the anchors, strung the guide cable where they will put the fiber on the poles. Don't have a solid date when it will be ready, yet. Mike invited a rep from MetroNet to come talk to neighbors at McCord Park to give the latest information, but has not heard back from her. He will follow up.**

17. INCORPORATION OF BHNA: Mike Brezin and Mario Taylor have been working on a draft of bylaws. Since 1973, there have been some themes like support for public schools, not to widen Betton Hills Road, and more recently having a more inclusive neighborhood. Once Bylaws are formalized, they can take the next step. Jennifer Winegardner, new board member and attorney has relative experience and volunteered to help with this process.

Last items:

Newsletter: It normally goes out a couple weeks before Easter. Mario Taylor said he will get together that list. This newsletter can be more personal to the contributions of the individuals of the board. Mike would like the list together by mid-February and have the writing done by March.

Bellamy Fund: Mary Kay Falconer will put together a list of things that she'd like to see done at the parks. There are funds from events that haven't been able to happen during the pandemic. Eliza Hawkins suggested putting a budget with those items, so they can be considered by the board.

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:24.