

Highland Park Neighborhood Association Meeting Notes
Meeting Date: October 10th, 2017

7:00pm: President Glascock called the meeting to order.
With no changes or edits, the September 2017 meeting minutes were approved.

Announcements: Welcome new residents/attendees

Police:

Officer King attended:

Incident Report (this month 10.1.17-10.10.17): Burglaries: 0, UBEV: 0, Auto Theft: 0, Robbery: 0

Incident Report (last month): Burglaries: 3, UBEV: 9, Auto Theft: 1, Robbery: 2

30th St. S. and 28th St. S. from Highland towards Clairmont – tickets being written for parking violations and police asked to focus here.

Robbery of vehicle at gunpoint occurred around 9:45pm a few weeks ago at 2816 13th Ave.

Question about a backpack someone spotted that was left near a telephone pole on 29th St. ALWAYS report suspicious activities or items, etc. to the police. Non-emergency number is 205-328-9311.

Warnings/tickets being written for off leash dogs in parks.

General Safety Information:

If you see something, say something! Call South Precinct: 205-254-2793

Burglaries tend to happen during the day

Surveillance cameras are helpful for BPD, so share footage with them if you have/get it.

Continue to keep an eye out and call police if you see anything suspicious or are the victim of a crime.

If you see finger prints, notify the responding officer so prints can be taken.

Fire Department: did not attend

Public Works: Chris Pinke and Tammy Wheeler attended

Chris Pinke (Horticulture Dept.): oaks and crepe myrtles to be planted along Highland Ave. (some to be planted in next 4-6 weeks and others spring 2018)

Leaf season is here. Bag your leaves and put them out for Large Trash and Brush Pickup.

City is proposing weekend work to stay on top of keeping leaves out of storm drains, gutters, etc.

Contact **Tammie Wheeler** at tammie.wheeler@birninghamal.gov or 205-254-2061 re: inoperable cars and overgrown yards (and furniture and large trash dumped by apt. dwellers without dumpsters on street. She can contact apt. bldg. owners to let them know).

10th Ct. and 28th St. S. to be checked

Request from resident to spread out trash cans. This was proposed last year and will be revisited (follow up at next mtg with map).

Report from City Councilor Valerie Abbott (valerie.abbott@birninghamal.gov)

When contacting her, please copy Darryl Lee, her assistant: (Darryl.lee@birninghamal.gov)

Newly Elected (Darryl O'Quinn, Hunter Williams, and John Hilliard) and re-elected Council Members to be sworn in Oct. 24th.

New budget on hold until new Mayor takes office (City operates on previous fiscal year budget until current one is approved)

New complaints for roads needing repaving are taken on an ongoing basis for future consideration, so please report to 311

Old Business:

NUSA Conference (Birmingham May, 2018): update from Community Resource Officer Gregory Jones (recently named to NUSA Board of Directors)

1200 anticipated to attend

Efforts to bring in speakers from other regions, vendor tables being relocated to convention area

Sister Houses (on Rhodes Park): one is in court, and design review mtg with owner and Design Review Committee is being set up

House at 10th Ct. and 28th St. S. and house on Lakeview Crescent in progress

St. Vincent's Hospital: concerns/complaints re: construction – new entrance to parking deck on 28th St. S., erosion and vegetation buffer not being maintained along 28th to 10th Ct., and house owned by hospital on 28th not being maintained and squatters reported to police

Master plan being obtained and plans for St. Vincent's representative to attend our mtg. to relay information

Rushton Park Community Garden – no update. Email highlandparkgardens@gmail.com or Vwmcdonald90@gmail.com to request a spot or ask questions.

New Business:

New email address for the Neighborhood Association: highlandparkneighborhoodal@gmail.com

Website updates currently underway. www.highland-park.org (helpful links, meeting minutes, email signup, etc.)

Request for financial report (to be provided at next mtg.)

Adjournment: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50pm.*

*Several residents stayed after the mtg to discuss concerns about off leash dogs in parks.

Next meeting will take place at Highland Golf Course (**UPSTAIRS** at the clubhouse) on Tuesday, November 14th, 2017 at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Sanfelippo

Secretary, Highland Park Neighborhood Association