

## Meeting Minutes

### OCCO Neighborhood Meeting

April 24, 2018 6:30-8:10 pm

Rev. James Orange Park Rec Center



Board Members Present: Kyle Lamont, Catherine Slocum,  
Katavia Sloan, Kimberly Carter

Attendees: 21 attendees(including board members and guests)

## Agenda

### Zone 4 Police and Fire

Presenter: Lt. Guren

- 3% Increase in the city - caused by nice weather
- Using technology to stop crime and catch people
- A lot of stolen cars are being found in Zone 4
- Paintballers are causing a lot of trouble; fear that these kids might get shot
- What should you do if people are congregating on an abandoned property? Need to call zoning, the police cannot do much unless there is illegal activity occurring
- Contact them if you have issues

### Atlanta Habitat for Humanity

Presenter: Tia McCoy

- Will start late summer/early Fall
- Will send notice to neighborhoods
- Everyone welcome to volunteer. Go to
- Could be opportunities to receive repairs and community clean ups

### New Private Patchwork Farm and SW Atlanta Growers Coop

Presenter: Jameela

- 1 ½ acre of land located Pinehurst and Richland
- It is a private business and will sell organic produce at the West end farmers market at Gordon White Park
- SW Atlanta Growers Coop <http://swagcoop.weebly.com/>
- Can take a tour  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/we-toursatl-art-lives-here-walking-tour-tickets-39819511230>

Atlanta Land Trust: 1091 Tucker Ave.

Presenter: Andy Schneggerburger

- Follow up to the community work group- met Sunday, April 14
- The city wants them to look at the masonic lodge to drive design for this property
- The community has mentioned they prefer more than 7 single family homes; at most 14 units
- They had the mature growth trees evaluated; see them as very valuable
- The land trust owns the land which makes the home more affordable for the homeowner; they only purchase the home. Tax issues may arise if they city doesn't fully understand the concept.
- Break ground by EOY
- Will send an email out to the group to vote on the best date to discuss next steps

Rep. State Representative Pat Gardner

- Increased the Homestead exemption from 30 to 50
- Passed an adoption bill and fought off a stipulation that would stop gay couple from adopting from faith based organizations  
<https://politics.myajc.com/news/state--regional-govt--politics/deal-signs-georgia-adoption-overhaul/vgh5t6EHffogGPkAjWDIRM/>
- Fighting for expanded medicaid  
<http://pat-gardner.com/2018/02/01/medicaid-expansion-in-georgia/>
- Spent time working on bolstering rural hospitals
- Asking for your vote. Early voting starts April 30

West Atlanta Watershed Alliance

Presenter: Yvonne

- Events coming up
- Go to their website or call 404-752-5385

Presidents' Report

- April Community Clean Up
  - Completed our first Clean Up Day on Saturday on Arlington
  - We'll do Elkworth in May
- Oakland City Park is a great resource
- There are a lot of community gardening and farming opportunities in OC
- Fulton County Commissioner Natalie Hall will join us next meeting

Upcoming events:

- Porch Party, Kyle's house, 1404 Richland 4-7pm
- Next OCCO meeting 6:30pm
- Oakland City Clean up day May 26, Elpworth Drive