

## **2022 Mountainbrook Annual Civic Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** January 24, 2022 – Hampton Inn SouthPark 6pm  
Led by Dan Knezevic – 2021/22 Civic President

### **1. Call to Order 6:03 pm**

### **2. Introduce & Vote on 2022 Board**

Dan Knezevic, Board President, introduced 2022 board members and then mentioned the board member rolling off for 2021: Kelsey Moore, Mary Catherine Zito, and Jennifer Hauser.

Missy Foard has volunteered to be on the Social Committee, led this year by Rebecca Hinson. Shellie Porter will be heading up the Welcome Committee. Enough proxies and members present agreed to these changes.

The Board is looking to fill Bill Helman's role on Safety Committee, however, he will lead until a volunteer has been named.

### **3. Safety – Community Police Officer: Brian Sudamack**

Officer Brian Sudamack spoke that there are 160 neighborhoods that they oversee.

Please add their phone numbers into your phone, they would like to know what's happening in our community. These numbers are not to be used in place of 911.

Feel free to email them to sign up for the weekly crime email update sent every Friday to interested folks and neighborhood community safety chairs.

In 2021, two "biggest" activities in Mountainbrook included a stolen car tag and an attempted break in through a patio door (homeowner had an alarm).

#### **Questions:**

Neighbor asked a question about street parking to deter crime activity. Office Sudamack suggested that's a good idea to sway a potential intruder.

Dan inquired about aggressive driving in our neighborhood and what to do about it. Office Sudamack suggests you record the tag and reach out to them. The Officers can run down the tag and speak to the owner. In many cases, the speeding drivers are teenagers and the parents are happy the Officers have contacted them.

### **4. SPAN**

Rob Aulebach, a SPAN board member provided an update. SPAN is made up of 4,000 homeowners and 33 neighborhoods within SouthPark.

Seven Oaks – homes on Sharon View being torn down now. New curve and sidewalks are coming as a result of this community. Both sides of the street will have a total of 23 new units.

Sharon Towers Parklet – two homes will be moved this coming weekend.

Backlot Trail – by Park South. Council to approve in February, and construction starts in May. New crosswalk signals for Park Road. Backlot Trail is how we would best get from here to Park Road Park.

Phillips Place Office Building – proposal is to replace the movie theatre and parking deck to add a total of 270,000sf building. Approximately 15 stories (250ft), the tallest in SouthPark (approximately 30% higher than the tallest building now). SPAN is advocating for no more than 180ft in height. Developer will be required to build a segment of The Loop

Symphony Park – working with Simon who owns the land to reimagine the Park. New brewery has been approved at the mall (where California Pizza Kitchen was). This area is the storm water basin in SouthPark so a lot of work would need to be completed to turn it more into a town center, which SPAN is advocating for.

The Loop, best case for walkability in SouthPark. Working on in from of the Apex, then onto Phillips Place, The Barclay, The Colony and Carnegie are responsible for building their segments of The Loop. \$15MM over many years. Benches and signage will begin in 2022. It will tie to Park Road Park and the greenway behind Park Road Shopping Center.

MSD – Municipal Service District – an area that wants to tax themselves to be able to additional projects in the community. The SouthPark community is trying to put this onus on commercial businesses. Would help initiatives like The Loop, etc. You will likely learn more about this in the news over the next year or so.

Morrison Road will officially change its name to Carnegie Road in the coming weeks.

## **5. Anne Heinig Park**

Norm Cook spoke on behalf of the Anne Heinig Park Board. Lots of activity over the past year or so. New swings, gravel on the track, new volleyball court and gaga ball pit, repaired some of the playset area, replaced the retaining wall across from the Pool.

Basketball court is showing signs of wear and will be evaluated at some point this year.

Playground equipment is going to need to be replaced and it will need a separate fundraising campaign for that.

## **6. 2021 Accomplishments, Income & Spending**

**2021 Year in Review:** Food Trucks in the Pool Parking Lots, Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Picnic, Yard Sale, Chili & Mac & Cheese Contest, Fall Picnic, Halloween Pizza Party & Parade, Holiday Decorations/Luminaries/Caroling/Cookies & Cocktails in Cul de Sacs (new this year!), and monthly newsletter.

We had 25 new neighbors move into Mountainbrook in 2021.

Nothing out of the ordinary for the budget, and we ended in a healthy spot.

## **7. 2022 Budget & Goals**

### **2022 Goals:**

- Same traditional events plus bringing back the Cinco De Mayo Party
- Adding: Halloween House Decorating Contest
- New branding initiative to create logo and brand standards and offer wearables and swag
- Directory is currently available in an online version but we will also issue a printed version in 2022

### **2022 budget:**

- Social budget will be adjusted to increase a bit
- We raised dues \$10 in five or six years to help cover the increase in participation

## **8. Membership / Raffle Prizes**

Have 91 households that have paid 2022 Civic Association dues since the campaign started in December. We would like to have 100% membership participation. Historical average is 67%

### **Questions:**

Can we refresh, paint the fire hydrants? Can we also learn more about the new Beverly Wood's new street signs...Leah will contact the City these as well as confirm how/who cleans the street signs. Leah will pursue correcting the speed bump on Mountainbrook Road that was paved over incorrectly.

We raffled five winners for paying their dues by today: Rob & Monica Trautwein, Paul and Megan Sacksteder, Stephen and Heather Moore, David Ramsey and Catherine Russell, Bryan and Amy Kendall.