

## Central Atlanta Neighbors (CAN) Regular Meeting Minutes

**When: January 8, 2004**

**Time: 6:30pm**

**Where: Southface Energy Institute  
Pine Street**

Call to order by President Lew George at 6:35pm. Everyone was welcomed and introductions were made.

Presentation -- Gerry Conroy (Awaken) spent a few minutes discussing the final efforts associated with CAN's 2003 strategic plan and budget process. Kristi Burnham provided additional information. Copies of the plan and 2004 budget were available for review.

The meeting minutes from November 2003 were reviewed. Motion to approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed. The minutes stand as read.

### Committee Reports

- Public Safety Committee – Lew George
  - Lew George provided a handout with a summary of police activities.
  - Nighttime patrols begin as early as 6:00pm and extend into the early morning hours.
  - Foot patrols are in the neighborhood during the daytime.
  - All patrols extend from Peachtree Street to Boulevard. This includes Savannah Suites Hotel and the homeless shelter.
  - Properties reported as vacant or open include:
    - 520 Angier Ave
    - 467 Felton Dr
    - 339 Angier Ave.
  - Would like Linden Ave to be designated as a dead-end street.
  - Send email to request a traffic light at the intersection of Piedmont and Linden to [sjennings@ci.Atlanta.Ga.US](mailto:sjennings@ci.Atlanta.Ga.US)
- Music Midtown – Shannon Marchman
  - Monthly meetings at the Edgewood Fire Station
  - Next meeting will be February 4, 2004, at 7:00pm
  - Proposing to have "MM Mondays" (activities and events) in the community prior to MM, use as fundraisers for the neighborhood. Plan to kick off activities in February.
- Parks – JoLee Gardner
  - In Central Park - the lights by the gazebo will be changed. Remove old cobra heads and replace with the same post-top lighting that is currently in the park at other locations. Working with Georgia Power and the City on this issue.
  - Send sidewalk information to Zelda.
- Land Use Committee – Brian Glass

- East Side TAD passed. A copy of the ordinance is available at [www.ci.Alanta.com](http://www.ci.Alanta.com)
- Debi Starns is in her last term of office and if CAN wants to do an economic development plan for the neighborhood we would need to talk to Debi about this ASAP.
- Treasurer's Report - Kristi Burnham
  - A monthly statement was provided for review.

### **New Business and Announcements**

- Lydia Meredith (Tabernacle Baptist Church) requested a letter from CAN to use as supporting documentation when applying for grants associated with Beacon of Hope's programs. Lydia to send an example of the letter to Lew George to review, sign and post on letterhead.
- Zelda Jackson spoke about the sewer rate increase. Zelda encouraged everyone to contact state legislators to vote in favor of raising the sales tax by 1 percent from 7% to 8%. The 1 percent revenue would be used to help pay for the sewer repair.
- Elections - 3 vacancies to fill. Officers with a one-year term remaining include Kristi Burnham and Patrick Dougherty. Individuals who will fill 2-year positions beginning January 2004 are Lew George, JoLee Gardner, and Jeffrey Jones.
- Blue Trout restaurant has closed.
- Tin Roof Cantina - now uses a valet parking service on Friday and Saturday nights.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.