

Northgate Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes: 04/26/2020

Time: 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Location: Northgate Park

Board Members Present: Pennie Morley, Robert "Bert" Stinnett, Sherri Stinnett, Ramona Gillett, Marlayne Madison, Tony Zitelberger, Wendy Zitelberger, Kaethe Mentrum, Bayard Mentrum.

Absent: Jeanne Pack, Frank Pack, Kelly Bence, David Wilbourn

Old Business:

January Minutes: Bert Stinnett made a motion to pass the January minutes. Ramona Gillett 2nd the motion. Passed by unaninous vote.

February Minutes: Kaethe Mentrum made a motion to pass the February minutes. Bayard Mentrum made a 2nd motion. Passed by unanimous vote.

Amador Aguilar, Vice Chair: On March 27th, Amador Aguilar submitted his resignation as Vice Chair. A vote was taken to support Amador's resignation and all Board members agreed.

Pedro Mayoral, Community Liaison, (Public Relations): Pedro Mayoral attended November's meeting and then we heard nothing from him after that meeting. He has not responded to any communications sent to him including an "official letter" sent by the Board inquiring of him as to whether or not he wanted to continue on the Board.

NGNA Bylaws ARTICLE V, Section 8, Excessive Absences, Pedro is not in compliance.

The Board made motions and unanimously voted to remove Pedro Mayoral from his position as "Communication Liaison" and from the NGNA Board Membership. He is ineligible to serve as Board Member for one year.

We understand that he is very involved with establishing a new business and most likely has no time to participate in the activities of the NGNA.

Pennie Morley, Chair, brought forward the discussion of changing our current Bylaws regarding voting procedures. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the "stay in place" mandate, official NGNA Business has been put on "hold" due to the current Bylaws. Changing the current Bylaws would allow the Board to conduct business as deemed necessary.

Amendment to current Bylaws:

ARTICLE V:

VOTING FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS/VOTING TO CONDUCT ASSOCIATION BUSINESS.

Section 7. Some circumstances may require the NGNA Board Membership to vote by ZOOM (other virtual methods), e-mail or phone. There will be no voting by proxy. It will be up to the discretion of the Chair to decide when other means of voting may be required. A quorum is required. The quorum is a simple majority. In the event of a tie the chair can vote to break the tie.

A motion to amend current Bylaws was made by Kaethe Mentrum and 2nd by Bayard Mentrum. Passed by unanimous vote.

Marlayne Madison, Park Chair: Marlayne presented her report on the current Park Grant/Tot Playground Project for Northgate Park. Discussion presented was that more input from the Northgate Community was required.

It was decided to put the "tot playground" on hold at this time and wait until more information is received from the community. We discussed creating a flyer to distribute to the Northgate community in order to get feedback on what the community would like to see as improvements and additions to the Northgate Park.

Bert Stinnett made a motion to move forward with the development of a flyer/survey questionnaire to be distributed throughout the local area in hopes of gaining more feedback from the Northgate Community on what improvements to Northgate Park they see as a priority. Bayard Mentrum seconded the motion. Vote was unanimously passed.

Bayard Mentrum made a motion that the Northgate Neighborhood Association continue to make "Northgate Park" its first priority as we continue to research and develop ways

to improve the vast resources of this beautiful park. Bert Stinnett 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimously passed.

Kaethe Mentrum motioned to end the meeting and Bert Stinnett 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimously passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

*Please check on the Nextdoor website for Northgate Neighborhood Association's next scheduled meeting. The next meeting will also be posted on CityofSalem.net, Community Resources, My Neighborhood, Neighborhood Associations. You can also find us on Facebook.

We are looking for new members who are interested in volunteering. We invite you to join the group of dedicated neighbors who make a difference and are passionate about their community.

Currently there are a few positions available on the Executive Board and General Board. We now are looking for a Land Use Chair and those that would like to be on that board. Another position is Vice Chair and the Marketing Liaison.

When you join your Neighborhood Association it promotes a sense of personal pride and responsibility for the place you call home. And it is free!

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*Intérprete en español estará presente.