### Ashwood Homeowner's Association

# **Quarterly Meeting**

# February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014

### **ROLL CALL**

The meeting, held at The Corner Pub at 627 E. College Avenue, Decatur, GA, was called to order by Brett Norton, President, at 7:10 PM.

Directors present were: Cora Bauer, Robin Moore, Brent Henderson, Michele Pickard, Amanda Palazzola, and David Whitehead.

## **REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes from the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved via email.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

As of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Ashwood Homeowner's Association account had a balance of \$3,278.14. Invoices for the Ashwood HOA annual dues were mailed to all neighbors on 02/11/2014. Annual HOA dues are due on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

Please note that checks should be made payable to Ashwood Homeowner's Association and mailed to 2887 Royal Bluff, Decatur, GA, 30030. Please to not knock or ring the doorbell at 2887 Royal Bluff.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Architectural Control Committee:

The new neighborhood member on the Architectural Control Committee will be Carol Norton, to replace Josh Elzy.

As a reminder, please remember to have your external construction projects approved before you begin.

Any change to the front exterior of your home that can be seen from the street needs to be approved by this committee.

There is an Emergency Approval Process in place if such a situation arises such as a sudden roof leak, etc.

If homeowners are replacing an exterior element with the exact same color/type of material, then no approval is needed.

# *Community Enrichment:*

There was unanimous approval of the new decorating contests for Halloween and the December Holidays. We look forward to continuing that tradition in October and December 2014.

Cora Bauer will purchase more welcome baskets for new neighbors to Ashwood.

A suggestion was made to include a pamphlet in the welcome basket of our HOA covenants so that new neighbors are aware of these important details.

Neighborhood Watch

No new updates to report.

Chris Palazzola will continue to update neighbors through emails if an incident occurs in the future. Please remember to email Chris at <a href="mailto:chrispalazzola@gmail.com">chrispalazzola@gmail.com</a> if an incident occurs at your house so that he can notify neighbors of safety issues.

Website

David Whitehead gave the report. No new issues to report at this time.

**Property Maintenance** 

Michele Pickard and Brent Henderson gave the report.

Brett Norton will continue to search for LED lighting for the front entrance that will cost approximately \$400-500 per light, but will be more of a permanent solution to our front entrance lighting.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Brett Norton attended the Avondale Estates Mayoral Meeting with Mayor Ed Rieker on Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to discuss the City's position and strategy regarding potential expansion and annexation of the area that includes the neighborhoods along Katie Kerr.

Important highlights from that meeting:

- -The City of Decatur is not interested in incorporating our neighborhood
- -The bill will be voted on in the November 2014 election
- -Currently, our taxes are not scheduled to increase with our incorporation into Avondale Estates
- -Families will get preferential placement into the lottery for The Museum School

Brett Norton will continue to update the neighborhood with any important information regarding this issue.

## SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING AND THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING

The next Ashwood Homeowner's Association HOA Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3rd<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 7PM. An email will be sent 7 days prior to the next HOA meeting.