Madison Park HOA Meeting Minutes Monday, July 8th, 2019

Location: Pinewood Elementary School Attendance Count: 30 Attendees Meeting started at 7:00pm and ended at 8:00pm

7:00pm: Meeting began with introduction and general announcements from president

- Welcome to new guests and recognition of first time attendees
- The Madison Park Book Club meets the 4th Tuesday of the month. This month, the Club are reading "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens. Info is available at gay.hurst@gmail.com.
- Madison Park Running Club meets every Thursday at Pasta and Provisions on Park Road.
 The 5k run begins at 6:30pm and is followed by discounted food and drinks
- Charlotte Water contractors will be conducting field investigations on the Little Hope Creek drainage area, which includes Madison Park. Contractors should have appropriate identification and may need to access easements to conduct this work. Questions can be sent to lrene.okioga@ci.charlotte.nc.us
- Charlotte Design and Development Transportation DOUG I DID NOT CATCH THE TITLE OF THIS AGENCY will be discussing zoning along the LYNX. Meetings will be held at Pritchard Memorial Baptist Church on South Boulevard on July 18th from 11:00am to 1:00pm, and from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.
- The Charlotte Civic Leadership Academy is a twelve week course designed to develop the next generation of leaders in the City of Charlotte. Anyone interested is encouraged to apply by July 26th as the course is limited to 42 spots.
- The Mad Park Bike Ride will take place on Sunday, August 4th and will take riders onto the Sugar Creek Greenway.
- On Tueday, August 6th, Madison Park residents can meet their neighbors as we host an event for the National Night Out. The event will take place at Madison Central Park.
- The Cross Charlotte Trail has completed the process of requesting bids for work to connect the trail from Brandywine to Tyvola Road.

7:15pm: Community Crime and Safety Report from Officer Tham Phan

- Officer Phan report that the neighborhood experienced a very good month in terms of reported crimes and calls for service
- Reported crimes included thefts from vehicles and property damage
- Traffic incidents also made up the bulk of calls for service in and around the neighborhood
- Officer Jessup can be reached for information at tphan@cmpd.org

7:25pm: President's Report

- 3 additional benches were added at Madison Central Park, Bill Helmke and Richard Todd were recognized for their efforts
- The President met with the principal of Collingswood Academy regarding the potential for a name change as the school will be moving into the neighborhood
- Numerous properties are being sold to the country as part of plan to remove structures from the flood plain near Little Hope Creek. County Commissioner Susan Harden, along with several members of the MadPark HOA board toured some of the sites in question to discuss the potential for future use as park space

7:30pm: Guest Speakers - Mary and Pete Kelly from Equitable Communities Charlotte

• Equitable Communities Charlotte seeks to address systemic and historic causes of economic disparities and issues surrounding affordable housing

- The lack of affordable housing is a growing problem in Charlotte which affects the poor and communities of color in particular
- Historically, laws and regulations were enacted which created this issue and perpetuated even after civil rights acts and laws were passed
- The organization seeks to educate the community and create informed advocates who can help achieve measurable solutions to these problems
- Information can be found at <u>www.equitablecommunitiesclt.org</u> or <u>info@equitablecommunitiesclt.org</u>

7:55pm: Treasurer's Report with Tom Im

- The balance at the beginning of June was \$4,297.67
- Membership dues and other deposits were in the amount of \$181.00, and there were withdrawals for bank, web hosting, and storage fees in the amount of \$199.40
- A net ending balance of \$4,167.18 was reported

7:57pm: Additional Neighborhood Announcements

- 800 American flags were displayed for the 4th of July on 9 streets in the neighborhood, half of which had not participated in the past
- Events at Madison Central Park, including a food truck rally, will happen towards the end of summer and are open for all to attend

8:00pm: Conclusion of Meeting