

Greensboro Neighborhood Congress (GNC)
Meeting Notes
Thursday, March 20, 2014



GNC Co-Chairperson Susan Taaffe convened the March 2014 GNC meeting at the Central Public Library beginning with our traditional introduction of all participants and presentations by guest speakers. This GNC meeting was rescheduled after both February and early March meetings were canceled due to inclement weather.

Guest speaker: Steve Galanti, Greensboro City Planning Manager, presented proposed changes to the Land Development Ordinance (LDO) regarding Wireless Telecommunication Facilities (WTF) such as cell phone towers. The changes include raising the allowable telecommunication's tower height to 100 ft., or up to 150 ft. with a Special Use Permit, as well as decreased proximity to residential properties. These changes are proposed to meet the exponential increase in demand for wireless data. Proposed changes go to the City Planning Board in April and to City Council in May 2014. For more information visit <http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/index.aspx?page=3065> or contact Steve Galanti at 336-373-2918.

Elections:

The GNC 2014 Executive Committee (EC) election was held for 2-year terms. Elected were:

- Western Co-Chair, Susan Taaffe
- Treasurer, Jack Zimmerman
- Issues & Bylaws Chair, Marsh Prause
- Communications Chair, Laura Jackson
- City Council Liaison District 1, Art Davis
- District 3, Bill Menius
- District 5, Trudy Atkins.

The Issues and Bylaws Committee and Executive Committee found that the creation of new EC positions such as City Council At Large Liaison requires amendments to the Bylaws and decided not to create new positions at this time.

Treasurer's report: Jack Zimmerman reported that the February balances are: checking--\$124.18, savings--\$508.27. Together they total \$632.45.

Announcements:

March 22, 2014 2 pm is a Greensboro Historical Museum lecture on Greensboro neighborhoods' history.

March 22, 2014 the Renaissance Center will hold its Advisory meeting.

Councilman Fox warned of budget cuts to the GTA and encouraged members to advocate for their priorities.

Greensboro Transportation Authority (GTA) funding decisions may be made at the April 1st or 15th City Council meetings.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Taaffe of the Lindley Park Neighborhood, April 1, 2014.