

Meeting Minute FoCP Full Body Elections Meeting December 16, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.



2024 Meetings

3rd Sat. of first month each quarter

- Q1 - Jan. 20 at 9:30am
- Q2 - Apr. 13 at 9:30am
- Q3 - Jul. 20 at 9:30am
- Q4 - Oct. 19 at 9:30am
- Elections - Dec. 14 at 9:30 am

2024 Park Work Days

3rd Sat. of 3rd month each quarter

- Q1 - Mar. 16 at 9:30am
- Playground Ribbon Cutting - Date TBD
- Q2 - Jun. 22 at 9:30am
- Q3 - Sept. 14 at 9:30am
- Q4 - Nov. 16 at 9:30am

SAVE THE DATES!

- *Fourth Annual Beat the Somm Wine Tasting Fundraiser - May TBA, 2024*
- *Chosewoodstock 2024 - Sunday, November 3, 2024*

Visit focwp.org/events for updates!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://kaufmanhall.zoom.us/j/95383651020?pwd=RGdNNjJKNmdXc3MxMDJCMktMclZjQT09>

Agenda:

- I. Call to order. 9:32am. Quorum is 4, current voters in attendance: 8.
- II. Approval of Q4 2023 minutes
 - A. <https://focwp.org/agendas-and-minutes>
- III. Exec Committee updates
 - A. President's Report (Taryn):
 1. Past events report:
 - a) **November 5 Chosewoodstock** - huge success! Submit your nominations for bands and hosts for Chosewoodstock 2024 on Sunday November 5. We will do more park fundraising next year.
 - b) **November 19 at 9:30am Q4 work day** - removed kudzu from Trees Atlanta plantings near fallen white oak, Woodskeeper did forest restoration/invasives removal near baseball field, leaf blowing and cleaning the tennis court drainage area.
 - (1) Lan Mai Nguyen add an age limit to attend work areas.

2. Upcoming events:

- a) **Q1 Meeting, Jan. 20 at 9:30am.** Zoom link at focwp.org
- b) **Jan. 24, 2024 at 6pm** - Chosewood Park Reimagined Gala for developers, organized and fundraised for by Bobbie Spiller! This event is currently invite only. Thanks to Lan Nguyen for making pens for our sponsorship tiers out of local trees donated by Jacob Mills. The Exec Board voted last meeting to approve \$1k out of our fundraising budget to update the map of Chosewood developments and proposed park improvements for our website and marketing materials.

B. Treasurer's Report (Lan)

1. No major updates

C. Secretary Update (Nate)

1. Koozies available for \$10 donation
 - a) We 12 koozies -
2. Roots of Chosewood Park Annual Sponsorship Program - \$600
 - a) Include logo - announce event on one side - logo on the other.
3. Bird houses are up for sale \$25 (1 available)
4. Donate at focwp.org - link on our homepage (select "Chosewood Park" from dropdown menu)

IV. Old Business

A. **Playground** (Taryn)

1. Playground demo to occur February 2024 and installation will be complete by May 2024.
2. Stay tuned for a ribbon cutting ceremony in the park this spring!
 - a) Park Pride - Grant will be confirmed Feb 1st
 - b) Review final designs
 - c) Still opportunity to add additional items [like seating and benches]
 - (1) Include wood elements in the future.
 - (2) taryn.arbeiter@gmail.com add playground inspiration images to playground folder

B. **Unity Bridge & Gault Street Entrance Update** (Taryn)

1. Bobbie Spiller (with 50% earnest money from Taryn) under contract on 1385 Gault Street. Bobbie aims to assign her contract to The Conservation Fund by end-of-year, who will then donate the property to the City. On 12/7, FoCWP Exec Board met with Empire, TCF, Chosewood Park CDC, Inc., Integrated Land Designs to discuss modifications to the current plans for the new eastside entrance.
 - a) On track - help from developers to beautify entrance and fruit trees.
 - b) Most likely with demo the property

2. Next steps: Geotechnical engineering report, updating survey to include 1385 Gault.
 3. Brick engravings - will be for sale in 2024. Stay tuned.
 4. Nichole submitted an updated budget and will be meeting with OPB on January 4 to discuss admin fees to pay operational costs including paying her for her project management of this huge project. Once the budget is approved, she will be able to start the RFP process and making expenditures for the project.
- C. **Tennis Court Mural Update** (Nate) - this project is on pause while we expand and renovate the playground.
- D. **Forest restoration/invasive plant removal contract update** (Lan) - Trees Atlanta sprayed 3x during 2023. 2024 will mark Year 2 on our 3-year contract. Integrated Land Design recommended forestry mulching in Q1 of 2024, which would be contracted and paid for by Chosewood Park CDC through the ARPA COVID relief funding grant.
- E. **Protective removable bollards for baseball field, park signs, & other smaller projects** (Shana, Lan) - Shana and Taryn reported that one of the bollards was destroyed in September/October, it has yet to be replaced.
1. Shana@adamsrealtors.com called and followed up on Dec 15th and has followed up multiple times.
- F. **ChoseWoodstock Fall 2023** - porch performances with cash donation bucket benefiting Chosewood Park. Tentative date: Sunday, November 3, 2024. Sign up sheet available. Email FriendsofChosewoodPark@gmail.com
- G. **Security cameras in the park (Taryn)** - On December 10, Taryn emailed Commissioner Cutler to request Chosewood be placed on the priority list for cameras in the park in light of 2 shootings into the park by teenagers that occurred the week of 11/27/23 (no injuries that we are aware of).
1. Denied our request to add cameras.
 2. Shana@adamsrealtors.com called in a stolen car dropped off - increased police presence overall.

V. New Business

- A. Call for elections
- B. Nate: proceed with slate nominations and vote - Shana seconds
- C. Elections
 1. President - nominations: Taryn Arbeiter
 2. Vice President - nominations: Bobbie Spiller
 3. Treasurer - nominations: Lan Nguyen

4. Co-Secretary - nominations: Shana Arnold
5. Co-Secretary - nominations: Nate Steinrueck

Jacob approves - vote by unanimous consent

- D. Vote on budget adjustments
- E. Vote on meeting/event dates for 2024
 1. Approved dates

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