

FoCP Full Body Q2 Meeting

April 15, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

2023 Meetings

3rd Sat. of first month each quarter

- Q1 - Jan. 21 at 9:30am
- Q2 - Apr. 15 at 9:30am
- Q3 - Jul. 15 at 9:30am
- Q4 - Oct. 21 at 9:30am
- Elections - Dec. 16 at 9:30 am

Visit focwp.org/events for updates!

2023 Park Work Days

3rd Sat. or Sun. of 3rd month ea quarter

- Q1 - Sun. Mar. 19 at 2:00pm
- Earth Day cleanup with Chosewood Park NA
- Sat. April 22 at 9:30am
- Memorial Day playground polishing
- Sun. May 28 at 2:00 pm
- Q2 - Sat. Jun. 17 at 9:30am
- Q3 - Sat. Sept. 16 at 9:30am
- Q4 - Sun. Nov. 19 at 2:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://kaufmanhall.zoom.us/j/91824278745?pwd=Ok1Zb3RkdExRaGYvMnpWa1BUZ2hNOT09>

Agenda:

- I. Call to order - 9:34 am
- II. Taryn motion to approve Q1 minutes, Shana seconded. **Approved**
- III. Approval of Q1 2023 minutes
 - A. <https://focwp.org/agendas-and-minutes>
- IV. Exec Committee updates
 - A. President's Report (Taryn):
 1. **Q1 Work Day, March 19, 2023 at 2pm.** 33.42 volunteer hours completed, valued at \$924.16. Weedwacked and leaf blown tennis court drainage; cleaned park signs; removed invasive plants from Trees Atlanta plantings, picked up trash, removed dumped fence from near Miller Reed entrance, Joanna with Park Pride did a recycling project with Pebble Tossers, a student club, sanded and pressure washed tennis court wall to prep for mural, attempted to pressure wash courts (need to use deck brushes next time). Thanks to everyone who showed up!
 2. **Park Pride Conference, March 27, 2023** - Friends of Chosewood Park was recognized with an Inspiration Award. Will share video when it comes available.
 3. **Kudzu control/Trees Atlanta** - signed Trees Atlanta 3-year contract totaling \$17,797.36 on March 24, 2023. Plan is to re-sign in 3-year increments. The focus under the treatment plan is to control kudzu in zones 15 (years 1, 2, 3), 25 (years 2, 3) and 26 (year 3). Property owners near the park be aware that we will monitor for kudzu impacting the park



in light of this significant investment in kudzu removal. TA will be hosting Conserve the 4-0-Forest event near Eric Street entrance.

4. **Gault Street Entrance & Unity Bridge** (still waiting to find out results of ARPA grant, applied for CIE funding from impact fees for design phase), met with City 3/24 to talk about scaled back plan.
5. **Playground** - formed advisory group, should be meeting in the next 90 days to review 6 concepts from City. \$250k. Met with Patrick Hand on 3/24 with Aaron Wiener from CoA Parks. Patrick sent over concept for expanded playground. It is in the Google drive under "project: swingset." In preparation for first advisory group meeting, suggestion from Taryn to include custom element alongside pre-fab play set and swings — possibly trampoline?
6. **Tennis court mural project** - awaiting permits from Parks and Office of Cultural Affairs. Received preliminary approval at Parks design/permitting meeting on 3/23. Robert Witherspoon RWitherspoon@atlantaga.gov from Office of Cultural Affairs was also there to review our app. We wait 4 weeks for Park permit letter, 45-90 days for Cultural Affairs permit. In the process of completing a Temporary Art Permit, which requires \$1M GL insurance from the artist, we agreed to pay Nailah Smith an additional \$242.50 to cover 50% of her annual insurance with Next.
7. At 3/23 parks permitting/design meeting and at site meeting on 3/24, Taryn and Aaron at Parks also discussed:
 - (1) refresh of playground mulch
 - (2) Need for 2 ADA curb cuts to allow strollers/wheelchairs etc onto park sidewalk from parking lot
 - (3) Sidewalk leveling and repair
 - (4) New secondary signs at Gault & Miller Reed - they run approx \$4k, Parks seems fine with them (apparently no concerns on luring people towards the eroding stream!).
 - (5) Replacing decaying wooden benches with metal ones
 - (6) Pavilion where half-court is — also in 2011 visioning plan
8. Upcoming events
 - a) **April 22 at 9am Conserve the 4-0-Forest (Trees Atlanta)** - see focwp.org/events for sign up link.
(<https://www.treesatlanta.org/40forest/>) City-wide event focuses on watersheds, including our watershed (Intrenchment Creek), with events taking place in Chosewood Park.
 - b) **April 22 at 9:30am Earth Day Clean Up (Chosewood Park Neighborhood Association)** - pick up trash, recycle bulk dumped items at CHaRM, clear debris from sidewalks, replant Nolan planters - see focwp.org/events for sign up link
 - c) **April 29 at 8am** - bird walk with Josh Jackson of @atl_birds - wear outside clothes and bring binoculars if you have them
 - d) **April 29 at 10am** - City Nature Challenge at Chosewood Park (Park Pride). Park Pride will lead participants in identifying plants/fungi/animals via the iNaturalist app!
 - e) **May 7 at 4pm** - Third Annual Beat the Somm Wine Tasting & Fundraiser benefiting Friends of Chosewood Park. We've raised \$4,600, which is 61% of our goal.
 - f) **May 28 at 2pm** - Second Annual Playground Polishing event.

B. Treasurer's Report (Lan)

1. Signed 3-year contract totaling \$17,797.36 with Trees Atlanta on

2. About \$2,100 for total donations in Q1 (increased from last year).
 3. 334 total Volunteer hours for Q1
- C. Secretary Update (Nate)
1. Koozies available for \$10 donation
 - a) Add to package for wine fundraiser.
 2. 2023 Chosewood Bark Calendars - \$20
 3. Roots of Chosewood Park Annual Sponsorship Program - \$600
 4. Bird houses are up for sale \$25 (1 available)
 5. Wine tasting fundraiser - **May 7 for 2023**
 6. Donate at focwp.org - link on our homepage (select "Chosewood Park" from dropdown menu)
- V. **Old Business**
- A. **ChoseWoodstock Fall 2023** - porch performances with cash donation bucket benefiting Chosewood Park. Tentative date: November 4-5, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

VI. New Business

- A. Solicitation of new ideas
 1. Replace wooden benches with matching metal ones (Taryn)

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