

FoCP Full Body Meeting

July 20, 2024 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 - May 31 (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 - Sunday, September 29, 2024*
- *Chosewoodstock 2024 - Sunday, November 3, 2024*

Visit focwp.org/events for updates!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://kaufmanhall.zoom.us/j/94331950423>

Agenda:

- I. Call to order.
- II. Approval of Q2 Meeting minutes
 - A. <https://focwp.org/agendas-and-minutes>
- III. Exec Committee updates
 - A. President's Report (Taryn):
 1. Past events report:
 - a) Q2 Work Day, June 22, 2024 (Taryn)
 - b) Family & Friends Day, June 29, 2024 (Nate)
 2. Upcoming events:
 - a) Sept 14, 2024 - Q3 work day
 - b) Oct 19, 2024 - Q4 public meeting
 - c) Sept 29, 2024 Wine Tasting Fundraiser
 - d) Nov 3, 2024 Chosewoodstock
 - B. Treasurer's Report (Lan)
 - C. Secretary Update (Nate)
 1. Koozies available for \$10 donation
 2. Roots of Chosewood Park Annual Sponsorship Program - \$600
 3. Bird houses are sold out
 4. Donate at focwp.org - link on our homepage (select "Chosewood Park" from dropdown menu)
- IV. Old Business

A. Playground (Taryn)

1. This project, which included playground expansion (and walls), new playset, orbit spinner, new swings, new embankment slide, and mulch and landscaping is early complete. This body approved revisions to project budget and scope to remove event pavillion. It was also not possible to add lighting or trash cans to the scope of work. See Q2 minutes. Ribbon cutting ceremony in the park was Friday, May 31. Thank you to the executive committee for planning the ribbon cutting and making it a great success.
2. All invoices (from Great Southern Rec and Patrick Hand) have been received and the payment process completed on our end.
3. Next steps:
 - a) Watering - we received 12 volunteers to complete dozens of watering shifts! The sod and plants have taken root, so watering is weekly and every other week going forward. After Nate watered on 7/7, Annette C. showed up for her shift on 7/14 and reported our hoses were stolen. If anyone has hoses to donate, or a place to store them, please inform the committee. For now, one hose remains, so we can use a watering can for any plants that look like they're going to die without watering.
 - b) Grant close out with Park Pride (due Sept 1).

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

1. Nichole with CDC has been working with AH and has completed an RFP for the bridges and slate trails that she is set to post any day. That leaves the entrances for the infrastructure bond with management by Keith Hicks, a city contractor, and subcontractor Patrick Hand. FoCP has no formal role in this process going forward, other than to apply for supplemental Park Pride funding if needed and provide any requested help or community feedback to Patrick Hand and Nichole.

C. Tennis Court Mural Update - 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 marks Year 2 on our 3-year contract. TA sprayed once this year at the end of June. Integrated Land Design recommended forestry mulching, but the Parks arborist Taryn Heidel was against, however, invasive removal permitted. Contact at Trees Atlanta remains Sav Tello (stello@treesatlanta.org).

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. As of 4/3 no urgent need to fix bollards while playground construction continues.

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. Wine Tasting Fundraiser Sept 29, 2023: deadline to sponsor is Sept 1.

H. Security cameras in the park (Taryn) - in Dec Commissioner Cutler declined to put the park on the list for cameras. He did coordinate with APD to increase patrols. Please report incidents to us; Shana is keeping a log. Option to reach out the [Atlanta Police Foundation](#) if problems persist.

V. New Business

- A. **Handson Civic Fellow** - Lan applied for a civic fellow to run our work days. We did an interview with HandsOn about our opportunities and we will find out at the end of July if we get a volunteer fellow match.
- B. **Review 2011 visioning plan.** Current proposals:
 - 1. Add ADA accessibility curb cuts to scope of Gault St Entrance or playground (City of Atlanta)
- C. **Vote to approve small change grant project**
 - 1. 2 new trash cans: one by playground; one near baseball field and/or a poop station next to main trash can, as budget allows.

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