



Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes

April 2026

Date:	April 20, 2026; 7:09 – 8:14 PM
Location:	Hoosier United Methodist Church, Atlanta, GA
Presiding:	Don Carter, President
Secretary:	Stacey Boyd
Treasurer:	James Gordon
Guest Speaker:	Miracle Williams, Fulton County Court Judge Candidate

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Don Carter called the April monthly meeting to order at 7:09 PM on April 20, 2026, at Hoosier United Methodist Church, Atlanta, GA. A sign-in sheet was circulated among attendees.

II. ATTENDEES

Leonard Smith	James Gordon	Simone Bailey
Frank Robinson	Kimberly Collins	Rose Elder
Roderick Smith	Stacey Boyd	Don Carter
Janne Huntley	Richard A. Dent	Tawni Fears - Guest
Walt Huntly	James F. Densler	Miracle Williams - Guest
Anita Bridges	Mable Densler	
Mario J. Wiley	Steven Bailey	

III. APPROVAL OF MARCH 16, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

Secretary Stacey Boyd presented a summary of the March 16, 2026 meeting minutes. Key highlights:

- The March meeting was presided over by Frank Robertson in the absence of President Don Carter; the meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.
- Assistant Secretary Bria Brown stood in for Secretary Stacey Boyd.
- Guest Speaker: Vice Chair Khadija Abdul Rahman, Fulton County Commission District Six, addressed the membership on:
 - District Six geographic boundaries and historical context
 - Health care and a new emergency care center in Union City
 - Social determinants of health and housing affordability
 - Animal control and public safety
 - Data centers and municipal oversight

- Voter rolls, federal custody, paper ballots, and election integrity
- Treasurer's Report: Current balance of \$15,334.09; balance did not yet reflect a recent Peach State Credit Card deposit.
- Committee Reports: Website (audubonforest.org) updated with current calendar; new spring newsletter published.
- Membership & Correspondence: Condolence sent to the family of Lou Hobson; responses received and acknowledged.
- No old or new business; meeting adjourned by motion.

Motion to accept the March 16 minutes as presented: Made, seconded, and approved unanimously. Minutes will be published to audubonforest.org.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer James Gordon reported an updated account balance of \$15,484.09, reflecting recent deposits. He noted that the following documentation is still required by Peach State Bank to finalize the account transfer:

- Names of authorized signers / signature card holders
- Two sets of meeting minutes (the March 16 and April 20 minutes will satisfy this requirement)
- Copy of the Association's bylaws

Already on file with the bank: IRS filings and Secretary of State documentation. The bank's previous requirement for a business license has been waived.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Website and Newsletter

Secretary Stacey Boyd reported that the Association's website (audubonforest.org) has been updated with a current meeting calendar. The spring newsletter "The Birdcall" has been published and is available on the website. Members were encouraged to read it for community updates. The approved March 16 minutes will be posted to the website, audubonforest.org.

VI. OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Bank Account Transfer – Bank of America to Peach State Bank

The Association formally voted to transfer its primary bank account from Bank of America to Peach State Bank on Benjamin E. Mays Drive, Atlanta, GA, to obtain better interest rates and improved service.

Vote 1 – Authorization to Transfer Account:

Motion made and seconded to authorize the transfer of Association funds from Bank of America to Peach State Bank.

- In favor: Unanimous
- Opposed: None

Result: Motion carried unanimously.

Vote 2 – Authorized Account Signers:

President Carter asked to be removed as a signer due to professional compliance obligations in the wealth management industry. A motion was made and seconded to designate the Vice President and the Treasurer as the two authorized signers on the account.

- In favor: Unanimous
- Opposed: None

Result: Motion carried unanimously. The Vice President and Treasurer are the designated signers on the Peach State Bank account.

Note: It was agreed that minutes from the March 16 and April 20 meetings, along with the current bylaws, will be submitted to Peach State Bank to complete the account paperwork. A question was raised about whether the bylaws specify the required number of signers; this was noted for follow-up.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Urgent Care Facility & Community Health Update

A member provided an update on a new urgent care facility serving the area. The importance of animal control compliance was also raised – specifically, residents were reminded to keep dogs on leashes in accordance with local ordinances and for community safety.

New Grocery Store – Azalea

A member announced that a new grocery store, Azalea, is coming to the area. An informational meeting is scheduled at the local YMCA for residents who wish to learn more.

Community Sign Area Renovation

Discussion was held regarding the need to renovate and upgrade the Association's entrance sign area. President Carter proposed re-forming a small committee to develop cost estimates and a proposal for board review. Mario Wiley will take the lead on this project. It was also suggested that the Association explore a potential partnership with Peach State Bank, whereby the bank's landscaping company could maintain the sign area in exchange for a partnership recognition sign.

Traffic Light Repair – Peyton Road & Benjamin E. Mays Drive

A broken traffic light at the intersection of Peyton Road and Benjamin E. Mays Drive was reported as an ongoing safety concern. The issue has been previously submitted to 311 and a case number exists. Members discussed the following next steps:

- Submit a new or follow-up 311 report referencing the existing case number.
- Send a neighborhood-wide email asking residents to call 311 to report the issue, including the existing case number to strengthen the request.
- Notify the local council member that the Association has formally reported the issue through 311.

Community Junk Pickup & Shredding Event

President Carter proposed organizing a community-wide bulk and junk pickup event, tentatively targeting a weekend in May or June 2026. The Association will coordinate with the City of Atlanta to identify available dates and will report back to the board.

VIII. GUEST SPEAKER – MIRACLE WILLIAMS

Tawni Fears introduced her friend, Miracle Williams, candidate for Fulton County State Court Judge who was invited as a guest by AFNA member, Simone Bailey.

Ms. Williams shared the following with the membership:

- She has extensive experience in Fulton County, including service as a prosecutor.
- She is committed to accountability courts and second-chance initiatives, emphasizing rehabilitation alongside justice.
- She highlighted the importance of victim impact statements and the role of a state court judge in ensuring fair and impartial outcomes.
- She stressed the need for community involvement in the judicial process and pledged to remain accessible to constituents.

The membership asked questions covering topics including accountability courts, victim rights, and the scope of jurisdiction of a state court judge. Ms. Williams addressed each question in turn.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

Responsible Party	Action Item
Secretary / Treasurer	Provide Treasurer with March 16 and April 20 meeting minutes and updated bylaws for Peach State Bank account paperwork.
President / Street Captain Committee	Mario Wiley to obtain cost estimates and a written proposal for the sign area renovation; present to the board for approval.
President	Discuss with Peach State Bank partner the possibility of a landscaping partnership in exchange for signage recognition; report back to the board.
President / Members	Submit a new 311 report for the broken traffic light at Peyton Road & Benjamin E. Mays Drive, referencing the existing case number.
President / James Gordon	Check status of the existing 311 case for the broken traffic light and report back to the board.
President	Send a neighborhood-wide email asking residents to call 311 about the broken traffic light, including the existing case number.
President	Notify local council member that the Association has reported the broken traffic light via 311.
President / Board	Coordinate with the City of Atlanta to schedule a community bulk/junk pickup for a weekend in May or June 2026; report available dates to the board.
Secretary	Publish the approved March 16, 2026 meeting minutes to audubonforest.org.

X. ACTION ITEMS

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting was officially adjourned at 8:14 PM. The next regular meeting of the Audubon Forest Neighborhood Association is scheduled for May 18, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the initials 'AFN'.

Secretary, Audubon Forest Neighborhood Association

May 18, 2026

Date Approved