

Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee

AGENDA

6:30 pm, Thursday, February 4, 2021*

**Remote Meeting*

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| 6:30 – 6:40 pm | I. Consideration and Approval of Minutes from December 3, 2020 NTAAC Meeting |
| 6:40 – 6:55 pm | II. Update on Carrboro Connects |
| 6:55 – 7:05 pm | III. Adoption of New Start Time and Discussion of Calendar for 2021 NTAAC Meetings |
| 7:05 – 7:15 | IV. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2021 |

ADJOURN

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Town of Carrboro

Northern Transition Area Advisory Committee

NTAAC
Thursday December 3, 2020
MINUTES
7:30pm, Remote Meeting*

Committee Members: Anahid Vrana, Ed Witkin, Meg McGurk, Deb Rich (absent)

Staff Present: Marty Roupe, Trish McGuire

Board Liaison: Susan Romaine (absent)

Guests: Amy Jeroloman (citizen), Lisa Brown (citizen)

1. Minutes Approval

Ed Witkin moved and Meg McGurk seconded approval of the November 2020 minutes. Vote: unanimous in favor.

2. **Mulch Pile on Town Property on Old NC 86.** *Planning Director Trish McGuire explained the history of the mulch pile being moved from the Public Works site to the new site after receiving a complaint about the previous location. The town did research the permissibility of moving it to the new property, including an environmental review, and were notified that the location was acceptable. Members discussed the pile and generally agreed that the site seems to work okay and that most visitors seem respectful. Discussion also took place about the possibility of moving it to a more central location in town, such as Martin Luther King Jr Park near the community gardens at the site. It was suggested that this in some ways would be a greener location, requiring shorter commutes to and from the site for most residents. Adding a hard edge to the pile in an attractive way as possible was suggested to contain the pile. Concerns about disrupting the growth of wildflowers and impacts to nearby neighbors were mentioned as well. A question was asked about the length of time the pile is intended to be there. Trish said she is not sure about the timeline but will check with Public Works and provide feedback to them from the overall discussion.*

3. **Update on Jones Creek Greenway Project.** *Trish presented an update on the status of the project to committee members. Members asked questions and discussed the project. Guest Amy Jeroloman asked for an update about the proposed roadway extension as well, which will eventually connect Lake Hogan Farms Road to Eubanks Road. Trish mentioned that discussions are ongoing with the potential developer of the remaining portion of the Ballentine project, and noted that the town is doing a stream crossing alternatives analysis to determine the best place to cross the creek with the road. Council Liaison Susan Romaine asked about the width of the greenway trail. Trish said that the remainder of the trail should match the existing width of ten feet, and that it is not yet known whether it will be concrete or asphalt. The timeline for construction is not yet known, but it likely won't begin until 2022.*

4. **Discussion of Start Time and Calendar for 2021 NTAAC Meetings.** *The committee discussed possibly moving the start of the meetings to an earlier time. Both 7 pm and 6:30 pm were discussed. Meg moved and Ed seconded a new start time of 6:30 pm, with the committee breaking at 7:30 pm to join Joint Review when*

needed, then reconvening afterwards when needed to discuss the Joint Review items. Vote: unanimous in favor.

Committee members and the guests present also discussed the upcoming term expiration for Anahid, recruiting efforts for vacant seats, and the potential difficulty of having a quorum moving forward. Two members have contacted Minister Campbell and others in the area about joining. Recruiting efforts will continue into 2021 and staff will check in with the Town Clerk about opportunities to recruit as well. Anahid mentioned that she will serve an additional term if Council reappoints her.

Anahid briefly updated members about Carrboro Connects and mentioned the need to create a category for NTAAC residents in surveys and other materials. Trish responded to let everyone know that this is being worked on now. Anahid also plans to meet with the owners of the Buddhist Temple soon and inform them about Carrboro Connects.

- 5. Adjourn:** *Move to adjourn, Ed moves, Meg seconds, Vote: all approve – ADJOURNMENT!*

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2021 Calendar

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USA Holidays and Observances

New Year's Day	Jan 01	M L King Day	Jan 18	Valentine's Day	Feb 14
Presidents' Day	Feb 15	Passover	Mar 27-9	Good Friday	Apr 2
Easter	Apr 4	Ramadan	Apr 24	Mother's Day	May 9
Memorial Day	May 31	Father's Day	June 20	Independence's Day	July 4
Labor Day	Sept 6	Rosh Hashanah	Sept 6-8	Yom Kippur	Sept 15-16
Columbus Day	Oct 11	Halloween	Oct 31	Veteran's Day	Nov 11
Thanksgiving	Nov 25	Hanukkah	Nov. 28-Dec. 6	Christmas	Dec 25
Kwanzaa	Dec 26-Jan 1	New Year's Eve	Dec 31		