Minutes of the January, 2012 Annual Meeting of the North Springs Homeowners' Association

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM in the Spalding Drive Elementary cafeteria.

President Doug Williams welcomed the members and reminded them that there is a Facebook page and group established for our neighborhood. He also indicated that emails are being blasted to over 400 North Springs neighbors.

Doug introduced Linda Bain, Executive Director of the Sandy Springs Conservancy, our speaker for the evening. Linda focused on the linear park on Abernathy Road and the Lost Corners Park. Linda introduced Tom Hazelwood Hayes who represents another neighborhood in our area North Springs, regarding the building of a sidewalk along Brandon Mill Road.

Tom discussed the benefits of our neighborhoods having a sidewalk to access the new Abernathy Park. Linda shared diagrams of the Playable Art Park that will be found in the Abernathy Park. This is a joint venture with Playable Art Sandy Springs. These sculptures are designed to be climbed on and played on by children. Another project discussed was the Daffodil Mile Project which would involve sponsorship donors to provide thousands of daffodil bulbs from one of the park to the other end.

Alli Gaffney presented the Treasurer's Report and reported that there is \$10, 296.01 in total assets. She also shared that there are now 182 paying members out of 462 homes in the neighborhood.

Nicole Reagin filled in for Ashley Bedingfield to give the membership Report. Directories are now available to all members and dues for 2012 are due by May 1st. Flyers with the membership form were placed on the mailboxes of all neighbors.

Kate Stotts, our Improvements Chair, reported that Pike's Nurseries have completed the landscaping around all three entrance signs into the neighborhood. This includes liriope, hawthornes and 22 bales of pine straw. Pike's has given us a lifetime guarantee on the landscaping. Kate announced that the Spalding Park will have a clean up day sponsored by Leadership Sandy Springs.

Nicole Reagin, Social Chair, reported that there will be a member meet up on March 28th at the Derby Pub. The Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale will be scheduled in April by the Dawn Robison Young group. Date to be announced.

Barbara Liptak, Communications Chair, announced that the website is currently down and that he executive board is working on getting the site up and running again soon. Members were encouraged to check out the Facebook page and check for email blasts.

Kent Gildersleeve, Government Affairs, proposed three changes to the bylaws that members needed to vote on at the meeting. The first change to the bylaws is in Article 9, sections A & D. The change would allow the executive board to select someone to serve as the President temporarily in the event that both the President and Vice

President were vacancies. Tom Parrott made a motion to accept this change and the motion was seconded by Theo Spruell. The vote was 13 for and 0 opposed.

The second proposed change in the bylaws would allow the treasurer or president to write check up to \$100.00 without having to get two signatures. Once again, this was made a motion by Tom Parrott and seconded by Kate Stotts. The vote was 16 in favor and 0 opposed.

The third and last proposed change in the bylaws regarded how members as well as executive board members could vote on issues. The proposal based o national Homeowners Association guidelines would require members to be in person for votes and therefore, votes by email, fax, telephone or social media would not count as a vote.

A motion was made by Theo Spruell and seconded by Gregory Talbot. The vote was 11 for the proposal and 4 opposed.

Kent also requested an amendment to the bylaws that the Secretary of the North Springs Homeowners Association will be the official representative to the state of Georgia for the homeowners association. This was requested by George Takis who has held this position for many years and asked that he no longer have that role. DeDe Warren made the motion to approve this proposal and it was seconded by Nicole Reagin. The vote was 14 in favor and 0 opposed.

Doug Williams then asked for nominees for the office of Secretary which was vacated by Corey a few months ago due to personal reasons. Kate Stotts nominated Barbara Liptak and this was seconded by Nicole Reagin. The vote was 15 in favor and 0 opposed. Doug announced that until the Communications chair position could be filled, he would assume those responsibilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.