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History

Parkview Civic Club

Parkview Civic Club (PCC) was established July 6th, 1948, with the commitment to developing and promoting community spirit and participation. Our Club's banner motto reflects our commitment - "PARKVIEW COMMUNITY - WE CARE!"

PCC is responsible for organizing neighborhood meetings, events, and many improvement projects. This Member Guide Book is dedicated to member residents in supporting our goals and sharing in our achievements.

Parkview Neighborhood

Parkview is located in Atlanta, GA, in unincorporated DeKalb County. The community is a quaint neighborhood and is surrounded by the popular Kirkwood, East Atlanta, and East Lake neighborhoods. Parkview is located next to Charlie Yates Executive Golf Course. We are approximately 1 mile from the exclusive East Lake Country Club, which is the host to one of a major PGA Tournament. Parkview is 5 minutes from downtown Atlanta, and minutes from other many well-known neighborhoods and business districts. Parkview is a great place to live, not only because of its friendly residents, but also for its convenience and amenities. Parkview has an awesome park, DeKalb Memorial Park, which is the neighborhood's namesake.

Source: Robert Fabbrini (Parkview Resident)

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DeKalb County

The land that we now call Georgia was once the ancestral homeland to both the Cherokee Nation and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The Creek Confederacy, now known as the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, consisted of a union of several groups – Muscogees being the largest, Hitchitees, Yuchis, Seminoles, and others. Sometime in the 1700s, Europeans began calling them “Creeks” because they resided near waterways. They lived in tribal towns all through middle and south Georgia and in Alabama. The Cherokee Nation inhabited parts of northern Georgia and Alabama, southern Tennessee, and western North Carolina.

In order to preserve the well-being of its people, the two nations slowly began to assimilate and cede some of their land in an effort to appease the burgeoning population of incoming settlers. The Cherokee and Creek Nations were two of the “Five Civilized Tribes,” a term coined by European settlers, identifying southeastern tribes that attempted to conform to European culture and society in order to survive and maintain peace. Unfortunately, the thirst for land and money was too great, and the nations were forced to give away their lands until there was nothing left.

There are eight confirmed land lotteries directly resulting from both the Creeks and Cherokees ceding their land: 1805, 1807, 1820, 1821, 1827, 1832 (two lotteries occurred), and 1833.

The 1821 land lottery, which raffled off land taken from the Creeks, resulted in the formation of Henry, Fayette and Gwinnett Counties, from which DeKalb County would eventually be formed. The General Assembly of the State of Georgia appointed five commissioners who picked land lot 246 in the 15th militia district as the county site.

DeKalb County was established in 1822 as Georgia’s 56th county and is situated on a natural ridge that runs between Atlanta and Athens, the Continental Divide. The southern boundary is the South River and the northern boundary is the Hightower Trail, a trading path used by Indigenous Peoples from across the southeast.

The county has 269 square miles and was named after Baron Johann de Kalb, a native of Germany and self-proclaimed baron who aided the colonists in their fight for independence. The county seat was named for Stephen Decatur, a naval hero in the War of 1812. Neither man ever set foot in DeKalb County. Both surnames were popular for “new” place names in this time period – over 30 cities and counties in the United States are named for these men.

DeKalb was already organized into militia districts with justices of the Inferior Courts and justices of the peace retaining their offices. Captains of the militia districts often served as judges and tax collectors for

the districts as well. Some of these early militia districts included the Diamond District, the Browning District and the Shallowford District. The City of Atlanta, in its infancy and until 1853 when Fulton County was created, was entirely in DeKalb County.

As the Creeks were slowly being pushed out, the settlers who came into DeKalb were of English, Scotch, and Irish descent coming from Virginia, the Carolinas, and Europe. They were subsistence farmers who were not highly educated and usually lived in log cabins.

Decatur was incorporated as the county seat on December 10, 1823. Its location was a trading post at the intersection of two Native trails.

In July of 1864, some of the battle of Atlanta actually took place in DeKalb County around the courthouse and along what is now DeKalb Avenue.

Chief of the industries during the early years in DeKalb were granite quarrying, farming, dairy farming and cotton mills and grain mills. Land near the South River produced 1,000 or more pounds of cotton per acre, and the county was one of the largest milk producers in the southeast. Large truck farms supplied vegetables throughout the region. Development in DeKalb in the early years was along the rivers and along the railroads from Decatur, east to Stone Mountain and southeast to Lithonia.

Parkview Civic Club By-Laws

PARKVIEW CIVIC CLUB, INC.

353 WILKINSON DRIVE, SE

ATLANTA, GA 30317

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Parkview Civic Club, Incorporated. A nonprofit, nonpolitical organization. Known Hereafter as the “Club.”

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The Club is organized to do the following:

- To promotes the civic welfare of the Parkview Community and surrounding areas.
- To work for the development and improvement of the Parkview Community and surrounding areas.
- To promote goodwill and unity within the Parkview Community and surrounding areas.
- To develop and implement programs that will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of the Parkview Community and surrounding areas

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership of the Club shall be comprised of residents, businesses, and churches within the Parkview Community's boundaries. Associate memberships are available to persons or entities not eligible for regular membership.

2. The geographical boundary of the Club is the area within Wilkinson Drive, Memorial Drive, Fairway Hill Drive, and Glenwood Avenue.

3. Membership dues are $50 per calendar year for regular membership (residents) and $50 for associate memberships. Current members’ dues are payable at any time within the first quarter of each New Year. New members’ dues are payable within 30 days of joining. The Club's membership reserves the right to refuse membership to any person, church, or organization that will not promote the best interests of the Club.

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ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

1. The officers of the Club shall be:
    a. President
    b. Vice President
    c. Secretary
    d. Assistant Secretary
    e. Treasurer
    f. Financial Secretary
    g. Social Media Coordinator
2. All officers are elected to serve a term of two years, thereafter a vacancy is declared, and new officers are elected.
3. If an office is not filled, it will remain vacant until the position is filled by appointment of the President or at the next election by the members.
4. All officers shall be primary dwelling resident property owners and must be a current, paid-up member of the club.
5. Any business or church organization will have only one (1) vote. The organization must be a current paid up member.
6. No person can hold office in the Club that has been found guilty of any impropriety against the Club in the discharge of their duties as an officer or member of the Club. If a complaint is brought to the Club, the membership must appoint an investigative committee. This committee will investigate the complaint, obtain, and review evidence. The evidence and/or testimony will be presented at a hearing before the membership. The membership will vote to suspend or remove an officer or member that has been found guilty. Said person is barred from holding any position, in any capacity, in the Club.

ARTICLE V – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The President will preside over all meetings in which he/she is present; set the agenda; and initiate/implement plans for the Club as set forth by the majority vote of the members. The President will ensure that each member is treated fairly, and the Club is operating according to the By-Laws. The President will ensure that all financial obligations are paid timely. The President will carry out the will of the Club that is expressed by the majority vote of the membership.

2. In the absence of the President, the Vice President will preside and is obligated to discharge the same duties as the President. If the President and Vice President are absent from a regularly scheduled meeting simultaneously, the Secretary will preside over the meeting. The Treasurer will preside over meetings in those rare instances in which he/she is the only member of the executive office present.

3. The President, Secretary and/or Financial Secretary, and Treasurer shall sign all petitions, contracts or obligations of the Club when approved by the majority vote of the membership.

4. The Secretary is the custodian of the Club's official records, recorder of all minutes, and prepares and distributes all the Club's correspondence. The Secretary also maintains a current membership roster of all the Club's members. The Assistant Secretary supports the Secretary and performs his/her duties in the absence of the Secretary.

5. The Treasurer shall collect all dues and keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements. The Treasurer shall prepare and provide the Club and other necessary entities reports of the financial status of the Club. The Treasurer's report should provide a check and balance for the Financial Secretary.

6. The Financial Secretary will disburse funds to pay monthly expenses of the Club. The Financial Secretary will pay the annual charter renewal fee, insurance premiums, and other annual expenditures. The Financial Secretary will ensure that all Club obligations are paid timely. All disbursements must be done with approval of the Club by majority vote of the membership. In the absence of a Financial Secretary, the duties will be performed by the Treasurer.

7. The Treasurer and the Financial Secretary should work with the President to prepare an annual budget in order that the financial status of the Club can be accurately monitored.

8. The Social Media Coordinator shall manage social media accounts for the Club and publicize Club events and activities.

ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

The following committees will be appointed by the President annually as needed.

- Membership, Publicity, Programs
- Neighborhood Watch/Police and Fire Protection
- Public Works (i.e., Street Lights, Sanitation, etc.)
- Youth Programs

The President will also appoint the chairpersons and any other committees needed during the course of the year.

ARTICLE VIII – REVENUE

The Club's income will be generated by membership dues, interest on savings accounts, short- and long-term rental fees of the Community Center, donations, grants, and fund raisers.

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ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS

1. Monthly meetings will be held the second Monday each month at 7:00-9:00 P.M. (Meetings officially end at 9:00 P.M.)
2. Annual elections will occur every two years. Nominations shall be held in August.
3. The election will be held within 60 days of the nominations (by October 31st) and the installation of the new officers will occur in the first meeting of the new year in January.
4. The February meeting will be designated as the planning and goal-setting meeting.

ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the By-Laws shall be presented in writing at any regular meeting and handed to the Secretary for filing. The President will put the proposed amendment on the agenda to be discussed at the next meeting. Notification will be sent to the membership by the Secretary that an amendment change will be discussed in the next regular meeting. Only current paid-up members of the Club shall have the right to vote on the proposed amendment change. Amendments shall be passed by two-thirds (2/3) of all members present at the next regular meeting when the proposed amendment change will be considered unless further discussion and study of the change is needed.

ARTICLE X - ORDER OF MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Recognition of Guests
3. Reading of the Minutes
4. Committee Reports
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Appointment of Committees
8. Discussion
9. Adjournment

THESE BY-LAWS WERE REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY MAJORITY TWO THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE PARKVIEW CIVIC CLUB, INC. MEMBERS ON MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2005

SIGNED ON THIS DATE BY: Dorothy Wimbley, President // Mary Reed, Secretary // Joseph Harmon, Treasurer