

Thursday, July 31, 2025

AGENDA

Welcome	Adam Mastrangelo
• Call to Order • Welcome Members and Guests • Safety Information • Reminders	
Approval of Minutes	Adam Mastrangelo
Treasurer Report	Leonita Cutright
Guest Speaker	
• City of Roanoke – Public Works Transportation	Dwayne D’Ardenne & Rob Issem
GDNA Gateway Sign - Update	Adam Mastrangelo
• First Sign Completed	
Adopt-A-Street Program	Teresa Mastrangelo
• Next Pick Up Day	
Review Next GDNA Meeting	Teresa Mastrangelo
• Fireside Chat & Q&A – Roanoke City Manager	
GDNA’s Canine Hybrids Incident(s)	Adam Mastrangelo & Sandra Ryals
• June 26 Incident & Additional Incidents	
Closing Remarks/Reminders	All
• Next Meeting – September 18, 2025	
Adjourn	

Minutes for General Meeting

July 31, 2025

The meeting at Covenant Presbyterian Church was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by the president of the association, Adam Mastrangelo. There were over 120 people in attendance. Adam welcomed everyone and asked for a show of hands of those who had never attended a Greater Deyerle meeting. More than twenty hands were raised. Adam reviewed a few safety topics: exits, fire extinguishers, restroom locations, and those present who were CPR certified. He also invited everyone to enjoy the refreshments and snacks that were located at the back table.

There was a brief discussion of the minutes of the previous GDNA General Meeting and their location online (posted since 04-03-25). A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 27, 2025 meeting minutes as presented – the minutes were approved by a show of hands vote.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Leonita Cutright. The present balance as of June 30, 2025 was \$9,217.62. Recent changes included \$140 in donations, \$415 in membership dues collected, and a recent \$1,000 grant from Roanoke City received in June. Expenditures from the GDNA Neighborhood Connect Social Event and the first Neighborhood Gateway Sign installation have not been expensed yet. Adam Mastrangelo then thanked the City of Roanoke for their generous Sparkplug Grant provided to GDNA.

The guest speakers for the evening were Dwayne D'Ardenne and Rob Issem from the Transportation Group in Roanoke City. They spoke of Vision Zero, a nationwide program that focuses on obtaining zero traffic fatalities in a given area. Although Roanoke City is new to this program, they hope that through police enforcement, safe engineering of roads, improved emergency responses, and education, they can move the fatality numbers in the city, which are presently averaging eleven annually, to zero. Multiple maps of the city were shown indicating locations of wrecks that involved fatalities and serious injuries (60% involved cars, 19% pedestrian, 16% motorcycle, and 4.5% bicycles). A map of Greater Deyerle was shown which included several serious accidents on Brandon Avenue. High risk areas included four lanes with no dividers, no sidewalks or places to bike, no crosswalks, poor visibility, no street lighting, and wide streets that encourage speeding. At present the Transportation Group is focusing their attention on several areas: speeding, distracted drivers, pedestrian safety, motorcycle safety, school/youth travel, improving the culture of safety, and low levels of biking. At the conclusion of the presentation, several residents had questions for the two gentlemen. The first one was, "Why doesn't the Deyerle Neighborhood have speed bumps?" The answer provided was that speed bumps are not for public roadways. To cross a speed bump comfortably, the driver must be going about 5 mph. (NOTE: One of the slides ("*GDNA Speed Data*") showed **highlighted** road sections where vehicles traveled 10 mph over the speed limit (i.e. 35 mph+). Both Mudlick Road & Deyerle Road had a lot of Highlighted road sections!) The second question was, "How does the police department enforce the law on distracted driving?" Dwayne and Rob responded that the transportation department makes adjustments to the roads in order to engage the driver more. Officer Lieutenant Robinson responded that a heavy fine of \$250 before court costs, and an increase in the number of officers for traffic safety (the Roanoke City Police Department is in the process of recruiting more officers for traffic safety).

Adam Mastrangelo then discussed the Gateway Sign Project for the Greater Deyerle neighborhood. Several volunteers have reworked the sign at Mudlick/Brandon Avenue which includes hooks to hang notices of upcoming neighborhood meetings.

The Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association has adopted two streets, Mudlick and Deyerle. Teresa Mastrangelo stated that the next clean-up date is August 16, 2025. Sign up to volunteer online. The city of Roanoke will supply trash bags, gloves and other essentials.

The next Greater Deyerle meeting will be held on September 18, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. The guest speaker will be the Roanoke City Manager. Please submit any question you may have online.

The most pressing topic of the evening involved the discussion of several frightening incidents with Canine Hybrids (residing at 3580 Windsor Road) in the Greater Deyerle neighborhood. Sandra Ryals, the GDNA Canine Hybrid Action Team Leader, began our discussion by reviewing the events from the incident that occurred on Thursday, June 26, 2025. There was a video and photographs of four Canine Hybrids chasing a deer and killing it in her front yard. Mrs. Ryals placed a call to 911 and to Animal Control that evening, and has since spoken to Mayor Cobb, the Police Chief, the Commonwealth Attorney, the Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association, and Next Door, an online forum. Of the one hundred twenty residents who were in attendance this evening, many resided on Windsor Road. Multiple residents expressed concern and outrage over the Canine Hybrids, their aggressiveness, and their ability to easily escape their yard. Directly across the street from this residence is Windsor Hills United Methodist Church, and they have summer school and after school programs involving approximately 45 K-5 children. They are especially afraid of a Canine Hybrid encounter since the children are often playing in the parking lot of the church. Residents fear walking in the neighborhood and many have complained of the constant howling and odor coming from residence.

Next, Adam Mastrangelo cited six specific incidents (including the June 26, 2025 incident) that have occurred with these animals. Many residents added additional encounters that were not filed with the police department. At present, there are four charges against the owner of these dogs, and their court date is August 5, 2025. Then, a motion was made and seconded that “... GDNA supports the City of Roanoke’s efforts to remove the Canine Hybrids at 3580 Windsor Road SW from our neighborhood.” The floor was opened for questions and discussions. Residents voiced their concerns and had questions for Adam Mastrangelo and Officer Lieutenant Robinson. The questions and concerns included the following topics: how to report dogs at large, the constant howling, the odor coming from the residence, the concerns over the child care across the street, neighbors fearful of walking, the boarded-up home, zoning laws for kennels in the residential area, a business license, the online exotic puppies for sale at this residence, legal options for defending a child or your own pet, and how to hasten the process of getting these animals banned in the City of Roanoke. The floor was then closed.

Adam Mastrangelo then repeated the motion stating that “... GDNA supports the City of Roanoke’s efforts to remove the Canine Hybrids at 3580 Windsor Road SW from our neighborhood.” All attendees were in favor. None opposed.

Teresa Mastrangelo then addressed the online chatter involving these animals, and encouraged all attendees to not engage in the discussion.

Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association

Roanoke, VA 24018

The meeting came to a close. The next GDNA meeting will be Thursday, September 18, 2025.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

NOTE: Attached are the Treasurer's Reports for March, April, May, June and a Summary Report of February 28 to June 30, 2025 submitted by Leonita Cutright.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Kubik,
Secretary GDNA

&

Adam Mastrangelo
President GDNA

Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association

Roanoke, VA 24018

07/31/25

Treasurer's Report Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association 28 February 2025 to 31 March 2025

Beginning Balance (02/28/25): \$7,712.62

GDNA Revenues:

Membership Dues:	\$90.00
Donations:	\$70.00
Grants:	\$0.00
TOTAL:	+160.00

GDNA Expenses:

Advertising (Meeting Signs, Etc):	\$0.00
Licenses:	\$0.00
Rent or Lease (Meeting Room):	\$50.00
WebHosting:	\$0.00
Other:	\$0.00
TOTAL:	- \$50.00

NOTE: The GDNA General Meeting was March 27th

Ending Balance (03/31/25): \$7,822.62

Respectfully submitted by:
Leonita Cutright
31 July 2025

Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association

Roanoke, VA 24018

07/31/25

Treasurer's Report Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association 1 April 2025 to 30 April 2025

Beginning Balance (04/01/25): \$7,822.62

GDNA Revenues:

Membership Dues:	\$60.00	
Donations:	\$0.00	
Grants:	\$0.00	
TOTAL:		+60.00

GDNA Expenses:

Advertising (Meeting Signs, Etc):	\$0.00	
Licenses:	\$0.00	
Rent or Lease (Meeting Room):	\$0.00	
WebHosting:	\$0.00	
Other:	\$0.00	
TOTAL:		\$0.00

Ending Balance (04/30/25): \$7,882.62

Respectfully submitted by:
Leonita Cutright
31 July 2025

Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association

Roanoke, VA 24018

07/31/25

Treasurer's Report Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association 1 May 2025 to 31 May 2025

Beginning Balance (05/01/25): \$7,882.62

GDNA Revenues:

Membership Dues:	\$215.00
Donations:	\$70.00
Grants:	\$0.00
TOTAL:	+285.00

GDNA Expenses:

Advertising (Meeting Signs, Etc):	\$0.00
Licenses:	\$0.00
Rent or Lease (Meeting Room):	\$0.00
WebHosting:	\$0.00
Other:	\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$0.00

NOTE: Expenses from the City of Roanoke Neighborhood Connect GDNA Social Event (May 29th) have not been expensed yet

Ending Balance (05/31/25): \$8,167.62

Respectfully submitted by:
Leonita Cutright
31 July 2025

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Roanoke, VA 24018

07/31/25

Treasurer's Report Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association 1 June 2025 to 30 June 2025

Beginning Balance (06/01/25): \$8,167.62

GDNA Revenues:

Membership Dues:	\$50.00
Donations:	\$0.00
Grants:	\$1,000.00
TOTAL:	+1050.00

GDNA Expenses:

Advertising (Meeting Signs, Etc):	\$0.00
Licenses:	\$0.00
Rent or Lease (Meeting Room):	\$0.00
WebHosting:	\$0.00
Other:	\$0.00
TOTAL:	\$0.00

NOTE: June 13th was the CPC/GDNA Block Party

NOTE: Expenses to refurbish the first Neighborhood Gateway Sign (June 28th – June 30th) have not been expensed yet

Ending Balance (06/30/25): \$9,217.62

Respectfully submitted by:
Leonita Cutright
31 July 2025

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Treasurer's Report Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association 28 February 2025 to 30 June 2025

Beginning Balance (02/28/25): \$7,712.62

GDNA Revenues:

Membership Dues:	\$415.00
Donations:	\$140.00
Grants:	\$1,000.00
TOTAL:	+1,555.00

GDNA Expenses:

Advertising (Meeting Signs, Etc):	\$0.00
Licenses:	\$0.00
Rent or Lease (Meeting Room):	\$50.00
WebHosting:	\$0.00
Other:	\$0.00
TOTAL:	- \$50.00

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Respectfully submitted by:
Leonita Cutright
31 July 2025