

SBNA GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
05/10/2016



M I N U T E S

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the 04/12/2016 General Membership Meeting were approved.

2. OLD BUSINESS

Michael Murphy stated Warhorse Development has stepped out of the Cross Street Market RFP negotiations but Caves Valley Development is still interested in striking a deal. Councilman Eric Costello added some backstory and confirmed the rumors that Warhorse Developers has left the table, but Eric is 100% committed to get this done. Eric would very much like to see the market to be revitalized for the community and bring the current facilities up to code. President Murphy stressed that he would like to push for information from this discussion for the residents to understand what is going on. Questioned by a resident, Eric is more confident a deal will get done now with the current negotiations.

Michael brought up the topic of revising the current bylaws to change quorum from the current system of 20% of the total paid members for the calendar year to be in attendance to vote. He initially proposed changing that to 20% of the 3 month average of paid members, but a resident in proposed to raise that from 20% since that seems way to low. They retorted that we should do higher such as 55% and Michael countered for math to just to 50% of the 3 month average for ease of math. Following that discussion, there were no more further comments. Vote to be included at the end of the meeting barring we meet 20% quorum to vote on quorum requirements.

3. PRESENTATION

No presentation for the month of May meeting.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

| <u>Fund</u> | <u>Last Month</u> | <u>Current Month</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Petty Cash | \$100.00 | \$100.00 | -- |
| General Fund Balance | \$7,660.96 | \$7,660.96 | -- |
| Tree Fund | \$97.00 | \$97.00 | -- |
| Teen Council Fund 2010 | \$371.89 | \$371.89 | -- |
| Heath Street Community Garden | \$1,976.98 | \$1,976.98 | -- |
| Auxiliary Police Bike Fund | \$302.97 | \$302.97 | -- |
| Balance | \$10,409.80 | \$10,409.80 | -- |

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Lisa Nguyen updated on the increase in the general funds due to attendance, the police auxiliary transactions and the money made from the secret supper club.

5. POLICE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Officer Newman was not in attendance but was replaced by Major Brian Hance whom went over the recent newsworthy crimes that were being reported related to car thefts. Brian emphasized calling 911 to report every incident whether or not it is solved right away, they need the data. In most cases prior knowledge or old reports lead to future arrests.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact Office Newman at sheena.newman@baltimorepolice.org or (443) 463-9981 cell.

Crime stat data is available daily at the following link:

<https://data.baltimorecity.gov/Public-Safety/Summarized-Crime-Data-By-District-Week-17/>

6. COMMUNITY INTEREST ITEMS

Dennis Plouff provided update on the Hanover Street Bridge meeting he attended that had numerous stakeholders from Under Armour to the residents. He noted that the current process is a 2 year study that has already started, but Odessa Phillip with DOT is looking for community input. A resident asked about what about now and how to deal with all the potholes as the bridge crumbles. Councilman Costello added that the current projected cost for the new bridge is 250% cost of the current maintenance fees to pay for routine patches. Dennis added that the 2 year timeline is not bad considering the impact of the bridge and expected cost.

Michael Murphy brought up the topic of the South Hanover Street median and that the city contractor will be responsible for replacing all the dead plants. SBNA will be walking the medians with the city to ensure that we get what we expect and we are in the process of setting up a maintenance contract to make sure that the plants survive. Due to the location in the middle of the road a professional with a watering truck will be needed to complete this work monthly.

Michael Costa provided an update on the 30 trees planted two weeks ago on top of the 23 new trees planted over the past 6 months. Future events to include planting trees in the 20 stump pits in our neighborhood and the our neighbors to the east in Riverside that has over 100 locations that need new trees. Please email mysobogreen@gmail.com for questions and to sign up for future events.

7. DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

Garrett Schiche provided more information on the S Hanover Street gateway project and the \$50,000 LDC grant that he has spoken about in the past monthly meetings. He passed around the current community sign to show where we are heading with the signage on top of the mural and other work we are ending to get done to beautify our neighborhood southern gateway. After speaking with the owner of the Bumper Globe building, ZeroFox has committed to paying for a mural on the side of their building to replace the black painted masonry. SBNA will be coordinating with ZeroFox to find a final design after soliciting artists to get paid. Residents provided feedback on

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the signage design in terms of materials and other similar signs on Key Highway. Another resident provided feedback on how to properly frame the gateway from multiple sides not just a sign and mural to create facade-to-facade streetscape that is engaging for the pedestrians. Garrett provided some additional thought processes that the SBNA has been going through in terms of what they are looking for in a design for the sign, mural and landscaping.

8. SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Lisa updated on everyone on the upcoming Downtown Sailing Club (DSC) spring social and to please see our "SBNA - South Baltimore Neighborhood Association" facebook page for event information as provided by the DSC.

9. LIQUOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Michael Murphy brought up the Live Entertainment (LE) application from Mother's to remove the 3 musician limit to be voted on next month in the June meeting.

10. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (LDC)

Garrett Schiche did not have any new updates beyond what was discussed during the meeting.

11. NEW BUSINESS

VOTE: Amend bylaws to have quorum set at the following, with whole numbers rounded up: "50% of the average of the previous three consecutive meetings, of voting eligible members, in attendance, including three board members shall constitute quorum" - **PASSED** (no opposition)

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned and the next general membership meeting will be next month on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at Delia Foley's.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael S. Costa, SBNA Secretary