

MINUTES

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the 11/14/2017 General Membership Meeting were reviewed and approved by the general membership.

2. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business to review.

3. PRESENTATION

There was no "formal presentation" during this monthly meeting.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

<u>Fund</u>	Last Month	Current Month	<u>Difference</u>
Petty Cash	\$100.00	\$100.00	
General Fund Balance	\$6,056.58	\$8,285.37	
Tree Fund	\$97.00	\$97.00	
Teen Council Fund 2010	\$371.89	\$371.89	
Heath Street Community Garden	\$1,945.28	\$1,945.28	
Auxiliary Police Bike Fund	\$83.41	\$83.41	
Balance	\$8,654.16	\$7733.07	

Peter Bartels, treasurer provided an update. He reminded residents that any dues paid in December will cover all of 2018. Mike or Peter, please update this section.

5. POLICE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Major Ward-Southern district spoke to group. He reports that BPD has actually reduced crime and violent crime in last 10 months. He Works to put officers where they are needed. Announced there were 112 hand gun violations since July. And made arrests with multiple robberies. There were 9 robberies by one man and he has been charged. Halloween cases - some suspects arrested. Other burglaries have had suspects arrested.

Mike pointed out that the crimes seem to be by those outside our community. Major agreed. All robberies have been by those outside the community. In speaking with council the juvenile laws need changes. Sometimes when juveniles are charged as adults the court changes to juvenile and they are back on street quickly. Mike asked what we can do? Major says to let City council members know how you feel. Call delegates and senators and get state laws changed. Judges

need to be held accountable as elected officials and use your vote. Other note, there are 33 people on probation for murder on the peninsula (12 miles).

Greg Morris asks how are officers staffed. 16 officers on each shift (4 per section). They handle 10,000 calls per month.

For 2017 academy classes = 144 grads. Went to other districts in most need.

Peter asked about November police walk and if there have been increased patrol. There were some increased patrol and at this time extra is in Otterbein for key hours each day.

Question about housing incentives for police. How can we get officers to want to live here? Getting to know communities and history. Not any new suggestions right now.

6. DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

Victory house-demolition complete. Foundation is layed. No updates on next steps or design.

Hanover St Bridge-study over last 3 years by the committee that will make recommendations on next steps. Designs and approval will be based on committee findings. Considerations are new bridge vs keeping infrastructure and rework. Project is thru city DOT. Last year no projects were submitted by DOT. If this is concerning, write the mayor.

Tree work question- DOT is doing the work. Mike explained plan is to complete all current tree pits. All future pits will be same new style.

7. LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (LDC)

8. COMMUNITY INTEREST

Community impact statement submitted for Halloween incident with Corey. Found out that 1 was charged as adult. Waiting for follow up from DA.

Dumpsters available each quarter. Next date is 2/3/18 at firehouse on Ostend and Hanover 9am-noon.

Outdoor lighting -discussed Honeywell lighting and google nest. Both were positive feedback.

Water main fails discussed. Notify Eric Costello if you report a break. He is tracking breaks. Reports that there were 90 failures across the city.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Greg Morris announced that he will be visiting other neighborhood associations (Otterbein, Locust Point, Riverside, Leeden Hall-Sharp, etc.). He will provide a schedule at next meeting if anyone would like to go along.

Aquil Bay announced his business - Tailored Defense Training Group. He trains and teaches ways to reduce crime and educates residents on ways to keep yourself safe. And teaches self defense.

Mike suggests he should talk with Matt. He asked to post information on SBNA page. Spoke with Matt to plan.

8. SOUTH BALTIMORE GATEWAY PARTNERSHIP

9. LIQUOR ADVISORY

Open liquor license at metropolitan and big Jim's. Sho You restaurant acquired Fat Larry's license and they will be moving 1 block to new location.

Das Bier Haus is taking over federal hill carry out. It will remain a carry out food establishment with new menu. Das Bier Haus is planning winter wonderland block party on Feb 24. Awaiting approval. Will discuss next time.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned. The next general membership meeting will be in **one month at Delia Foley's** on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara McNulty, SBNA Secretary