

SBNA GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
05/08/2018

M I N U T E S

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the 04/10/2018 General Membership Meeting were reviewed and approved by the general membership.

2. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to address at the meeting this evening.

3. PRESENTATION

There was no presentation at the meeting this evening.

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	\$5,084.24	\$4,967.79	+\$40 dues -\$15 bank fee
Tree Fund	\$497.00	\$497.00	--
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	\$8,081.82	\$7965.37	

Peter Bartels, treasurer provided an update.

5. POLICE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

There was no officer present at the meeting this evening.

The neighborhood COP Walk was held on Monday, May 7, 2018.

Mike reminded residents of the link to register their home security cameras <https://citiwatch.baltimorecity.gov> with the police department. Registering home security cameras alerts the police there may be video footage that can be accessed in the event there is a crime in the vicinity.

6. DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

The development of 1400 South Hanover is moving along. Asbestos and lead abatements were posted and completed prior to the demolition.

Alex Walker presented an update on The Wheel House to be built on the corners of Cross and Charles Streets. Demolition has just concluded. A few design changes are being worked on in order to keep the project within budget and are awaiting final approval. The finished building will be 4 stories of residential (studio, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom units; total of 92 people) above retail space. The building is being built to foster a sense of community and a car-free lifestyle, including providing each resident with a specially designed bike. A community living space including common areas and on-site community coordinator will be included. The building will offer only long-term leases, and will not be Airbnb style. Rents will be comparable, per person, to row house rental properties in the neighborhood. The developers are currently talking to several retailers for the first floor and two have already committed. The project is planned for an late spring/ early summer 2019 opening. The project will take 11 months from the time construction begins. Alex was reminded to be mindful of pedestrian right-of-way during construction.

The current structure of the Hanover Street Bridge will remain as is. This summer, the entire bridge surface will be repaved with 2" of asphalt. The lanes will be narrowed to four, two in each direction, so that the current fifth lane can be used for bike and pedestrian traffic. The steel draw-bridge will remain as is for now. These repairs and improvements should be completed by May and are anticipated to last approximately five years until the larger renovations begin. At this time, it is anticipated that the steel drawbridge will be permanently sealed at that time.

7. COMMUNITY INTEREST

The trial of the three assailants charged in the death of Alex Wroblewski set for May 15, 2018 has been postponed until October 2018. Tim talked to the Baltimore City State's Attorney's office and has provided a Community Impact Statement on behalf of SBNA in the event the trial does take place on May 15, 2018.

The Baltimore City State's Attorney General Forum has been cancelled as a result of lack of commitment on the part of the candidates. SBNA has not reached out to the candidates to visit our board association meeting.

The Baltimore Police Decent Decree community meeting will be held on Monday, May 21, 2018 at the Timothy Baptist Church located at 1214 W. Saratoga Street, Baltimore, MD 21223. Residents are encouraged to attend.

The Community Dumpster will be available to residents on Saturday, May 19, 2018 for four hours beginning at approximately 9:00 am.

Mike attended a meeting of the Main Street Association, Business District and the Hospitality Association for an update on the new private security in place. The contract is with Wolf Security and covers only the business district. Other neighborhood organizations are able to add on to their efforts and contract with Wolf Security to expand the area of security coverage. A resident asked if it would be beneficial for SBNA to fund extra security on certain occasions such as big events in the neighborhood.

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A student on the way to school at Digital Harbor High School was arrested on the corners of Harford and Hugo for possession of a handgun.

8. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to address at the meeting this evening.

9. SPECIAL PROJECTS

Brittany shared some of the initial ideas for the social committee including a block party to take place in the fall. Live music would be included. The secret supper club was also discussed. Table at the next Festival, Christmas Social, Parking Permit Pick-Up Social, and Light Up South Baltimore light bulb campaign.

The South Baltimore entrance sign final design has been unanimously selected and was shared with SBNA membership. The design is in 3 layers to include a Row house in front, a Sky scraper as the next layer and the South Baltimore name. Ivy will be planted to climb the skyscraper during summer months. The sign will take on a patina over time. SBNA volunteers will be responsible for maintaining the plantings, the area immediately surrounding the sign and the sign itself. Once the city approves the design and placement, Garrett and Evan will move forward with development and installation. A resident suggested that ivy can be hard to maintain and that we should eliminate it or select a different plant.

SBNA currently has a Facebook Page (equivalent to a personal wall) and a Facebook Group. SBNA events are currently posted on the publicly accessible Facebook Page. Tim, Brittany and Peter maintain the group by posting and taking down posts as needed. Residents interested in assisting were asked to see Tim after the meeting

10. LIQUOR ADVISORY

Ross Wilkins from Green Door Properties has purchased the liquor license held by Big Jims in order to open a craft beer venue at the corner of Cross and Hanover Streets. Sean (Banditos and 101) is consulting on the project.

Harbor Que is closing.

There are currently six liquor licenses for sale in South Baltimore.

11. SBGC & LDC

There are no updates to share at the meeting this evening.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned. The next general membership meeting will be in one month at Delia Foley's on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara McNulty, SBNA Secretary