

South Baltimore Neighborhood Association

2025.10.14

Attendees: [Unclear if anyone took attendance, but President Tara McNulty and several other board members were present; Secretary Justin Lane was absent and reconstructed these minutes from Tara McNulty's notes]

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD)'s Southern District, represented by Sgt. David Rivera, spoke at the meeting. In addition, BPD's Entertainment Unit, represented by Sgt. Hackett, also spoke. Some juveniles smashing windows were turned in.

The South Baltimore Gateway Partnership (SBGP) provided updates on grants; the Middle Branch Resiliency Project; the wetlands project at MedStar Harbor Hospital; a Best Hiring Practices workshop to be held on 11.06; [and something called "Reimagine"].

Sheriff Sam Cogen, a neighbor, attended the meeting. He spoke about the Sheriff's Office Neighborhood Services Unit, which works with communities. The issue of speeding buses came up. *Note: At the Nov. Board Meeting, Secretary Justin Lane & 311 Chair Jonathan Deprosse spoke about the bus speeding issue, and a suggestion made at an earlier meeting by Member Kit Stone to have "speed governors" installed on buses. Discussed outreach to State Legislators regarding this issue.*

President Tara McNulty gave several Design & Development updates:

- There is a problem with 1600 S. Charles St. SBNA agreed to support a zoning change at this property in 2024 in exchange for the property being ineligible for street parking in RPP Area 30. The property owner was willing to do this because they had a 3-car garage. However, it appears that the garage is not technically wide enough for 3 spaces, which could upend the building's parking situation.
- The lot owned by Dr. Nayak (the "Pigeon House") at the corner of Light & Ostend has been torn down. There is now a fence around the lot.
- The Pathway to Healing (1200 Light) is a recovery home. The property owner was caught trying to subdivide the rooms. This building is close to schools, which has come up as a concern in the past. Federal Hill Neighborhood Association (FHNA) president is interested in what the business's funding source is.
- Incident on Cross St involving a bouncer and patron: The bouncer has turned himself in. The situation could cause problems for the bar.
- MugShots was eliminated from participating in the Halloween bar crawl.