



October 12, 2011 General Meeting Minutes

Preliminaries:

- Pledge of Allegiance: completed
- Roll Call of Officers: Chris, Shannon, Barb, Tony, Joel, Scott, Cheryl, Justin, Terry
- New Neighbor Introductions: None
- Treasurer's Report: 27,987 Dog Park: 3,690: Festival: Gross 14,442 Expenses: 11, 342: Net: 3100
- Minutes

Committee Updates and Task Force Updates:

Communications: Scott will now be taking over the email mailing, this week will be goal for Scott to get all of the information: www.mylocustpoint.com

Festival and Social: December 14th meeting will be a Christmas party. It will be here at the German church. Food from Captain Larry's and Ledo's. Beer and wine will be available as well as sodas and water. Santa Claus will be here for kids. 5:30-8:30. Baked goods welcomed as well as canned goods, unwrapped toys. Silent auction again. Still looking for people to help support the festival and social planning. The planning will be starting next month to plan for the next year to make it a success.

Parks & Beautification: There was a maintenance day in the park, so thank you for those of you who attended. Every Wednesday at 1pm there is going to be park maintenance. There have been complaints about broken bottles and trash in the park. Office Vaught responded to the concern: Update on the park 10-5-11 the officer in the park at midnight. There were 2 arrests in the park for drinking. John Shay is invested in working in the park, focusing on the children's area and want to keep it up running. Send an email to Cheryl to be involved, looking to add lights and continue to keep it pretty.

Dog Park: Great clean up last weekend: Next clean up is Saturday November 12th, 10:00 am.

Membership: update: When we vote or making a motion you need to be a member. Tony announced the membership cards from last meeting.

Trash/Recycling: no updates, but if you have ideas how to enrich the recycling efforts within the community please let Scott know.

Safety: No more COP walks until we have an organizer that will put them together. They will happen once a month. If there is a problem you see in the area call 911 and if you are interested in running the COP walks, please contact Chris.

FSK: Principal of FSK Elementary School: Give a quick update: Good start to the school year. MTA buses are pulling into the school property to pick students up. WE are asking the community and business owners to volunteer at the school. Help needed at the middle school level in the area of math. Middle school students are looking for opportunities to complete their student service hours (75 before high school graduation). If you are interested in volunteering, contact the school and the information will be given the area of need. Looking forward to a great partnership. Question: What is going on with the baseball field in the back of the school along with the benches? Not sure about the maintenance of the field, however the principal will check.

Bridge Project: the bridge project is going well and it is completely down and they are moving forward with the plans. There is still a walkway. The trains are still blocking some areas during the area. There are still a couple of times during the day when the trains come. DOT and CXS will not move trains on Saturday during the Baltimore Marathon. The roads will be closed until about noon, so plan ahead. Pictures have been provided to show what the progress is and what roads



will be closed during the running festival. **DOT:** Question: Can the city fix the signs that state the bridge is close and the signs by the shopping center. Please go through the neighborhood to check the signs, looking at the signage for the Woodall Street to help with the traffic.

Zoning Information: Community planning for the area came to discuss the zoning area. The code has been updated and they are working to rezone the city. www.transformbaltimore.net is a great website to explore the zoning changes in the city. Baltimore city is trying to make the process more transparent about the way that land and space is being used. What is very interesting about Locust Point is inside the loop is housing and outside the loop is business, however there is some overlaps in the area. We are changing business zones around what is currently b1 will be c1. We are changing zones for mixed lo zoning with mostly housing with some commercial. You might want to look at the maps on the website to look at the maps of locust point. In November we want to introduce it to the new City Council. There will be a bill in the new session that looks at the whole city. Assessment is connected to the zoning. Look at the plan before it is published. We can look at the areas that we want to improve prior to the bill being passed.

Design Review: Matt shared information about the Under Armour taskforce. They have meant 4 times so far. The first 2 meetings were informational about structures of the meetings. The next 2 meetings were brainstorming topics of concerns and reading information about the plans. Under Armour gave the taskforce information about different studies done on the site. Under Armour attended the meeting and gave a few answers. Shared timeline that Under Armour suggested: working on the TIF and PUD. Here is the timeline reviewed Oct 27, Dec 8: Introduced to the City Council, Mid Dec: DOT study for Traffic, January 12th: Going to the Planning commission. March 2012: Review the PUD. There has been a discussion about the goals with the taskforce. Still waiting to go over the PUD with the taskforce. The timeline will be discussed at the taskforce and report back to the general meeting in November and January to the community. The parking in the PUD is connected to the square footage of the new space. Under Armour needs to stay within the zoning laws within the PUD. Questions that were not answered that are worried about, Under Armour will be getting back to the task force in 2 weeks with those answers. Next week the taskforce will be reviewing the PUD. Everyone is very invested in the process. The total number on the taskforce is about 12-15 people. Community questions: To we get to decide about the use of the TIF funds? The TIF has been approved at the city level and the city gets to decide how the TIP will be used. The community didn't have any input about the Greenway. We were asked to support the TIF. Under Armour wants to get the TIF done before the end of the year for 2011 assessment. Will the dates be posted on the website to inform the community? Yes the dates should be posted on the website. Do we have any control over the process? Where do we fit into the process, can we approve changes or it is something that we happen at the city level? Councilman all talked about the jobs in Baltimore City and there is pressure to keep a strong business in the city. If we can state our concerns about the project in away that honors to the all parties, Locust Point might be able to get a few things for the community. The taskforce is a great place to bring up those concerns. Question: How are we and are we informing the rest of the community that is not at the general meeting to tell them what are going on? Yes: fliers will go out to inform the community.

Matt Suggested to amend the LPCA Bylaws: Introduced tonight and next meeting have a discussion and vote on next month. He read the change of language about voting on topics that there could be conflict of interest. There was much discussion around excluding members of the community. Terry bought up a point about changing the bylaws could effect the stating of a non-profit. After much discussion, it was reminded that we are not voting tonight about changing the bylaws, but will review at a board meeting and discuss at the November meeting. A motion was made to contact outside council to see how this might affect the LPCA. The motion was made, seconded, and passed. Matt stated that if changing the Bylaws put the LCPA in not good standing with the city/state/federal government he would withdraw his statement. The Community Law Center offers free council.

Motion to adjourn: the President made Adjournment of the meeting.