



LPCA General Meeting Minutes - September 13, 2017 - FSK School Cafeteria

Preliminaries:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call of Officers Present: Greg, Harry, Ginny, Damian, Kate, Bryan, Caitlin
- New Neighbor Introductions: 1
- Treasurer Update: \$45,073.68 in main account; \$3,343.02 in Dog Park.
- A full update of the festival impact will be provided next month – we believe it to be “very profitable”.
- Membership: 158

Approval of previous minutes: motion to approve minutes as presented; seconded; motion carries

General updates

- **Communication**
 - New newsletter editor (Bill) will start with the January issue – there will not be a Nov/Dec issue

Safety

- Ellen reviewed the Victim-based Crime Report and reported that there were 5 environmental citations. Reminder to keep your weeds cut!
- Police (Officer Shawn from the Southern District)
 - “A lot of auto crime” – lock your doors, don’t leave anything in plain sight.
 - Tip: write down the serial number of your valuables (bikes, etc.) to aid in the recovery of stolen goods.
 - Think smart: lock your doors and windows.
 - Call 911 – not 311 if you are seeking police support
- Neighbor inquired about the high school football games at Banner Field. Not enough transportation and security was available leaving the kids streaming into the busy streets. It was “chaotic” and unsafe.
 - Councilman Costello outreached to the Major and the school’s Athletic Director for support.
- Councilman Costello invited the community to attend the Public Safety Forum 9/18 at the Federation for the Blind.

Design/review

- Fieldhouse bidding continues as the initial vendor was found to be “non-compliant”
- Alta Townhomes (PDI Lots): 1st phase is wrapping up; neighbors warned to be careful about where they park as there have been some issues with flat tires

Dog park

- Unsuccessful with grant; still moving forward with new signage
- 9/30 park cleanup – volunteers needed
- Installed more bag containers; please continue to donate plastic grocery bags

Parks and Beautification

- Welcome to our three new co-chairs!
- Fall park maintenance planned for 10/7 9A-noon
- Domino Sugar is donating funding for a new retaining wall



Social

- Festival was a “great day”!
- Shout out to Harry whose company provided cheap electric
- LPCA saved a lot of money, we are working through the budget and will report ASAP

NEW BUSINESS

- Introduction to new FSK principal Corey Basmajian
 - He is very excited to be back at the school where he previously worked; his goals include:
 - Keeping families at the school (K-8)
 - Increase gifted and advanced learning
 - Recruit good teachers
 - Establish interventions for those below grade level
 - Principal’s advice to the community:
 - Get involved
 - Say “hi” to the children
 - Report any issues
 - School office: (410) 396-1503
 - Cell: (443) 301-9279
- Komen Race for the Cure: Sunday, October 15 @ McHenry Row down Fort Ave
 - Will impact the parking and traffic on Fort Ave; Andre Street will be closed to traffic and parking
 - 6-8,000 runners
 - Race organizers Charm City Run will reach out to the Latrobe Park Terrace residents and look into an alternative to the Andre street closure (Councilman Costello proposed an alternative – Nicholson)

Community announcements

- Pastor Aaron from the Community Church: “big people” movie night 11/3 in the courtyard
- Baltimore Museum of Industry: check out the website for more information on upcoming events
- Ellen request: using the “windfall” from the festival to set something up for community giving; we reminded the group about the Community Grant Program

Motion to adjourn, seconded, and carried @ 9:00 PM