

## LPCA General Meeting Minutes - JANUARY 11, 2023 - FSK School Cafeteria

### Preliminaries:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Board Members present: Molly, Bijal, Justin, Eric, Ginny, Michelle, John, Matt, Kate
- Membership: No quorum present
- New residents: 2 (already joined as members)
- Treasurer Update - Bijal (LPCA): \$69,545 (General), \$3,144 (Dog Park), \$2,994 (Parks)
- Gave out \$7500 in community grants in 2022.

**Approval of previous minutes:** November minutes were not available to distribute in printed form for review, so will defer approval until February meeting.

### General Updates

**Safety** - Officer Dominique Owens (BCPD): 1 crime in last 28 days (larceny) General robbery issue in city with groups of juveniles, be aware. No updates on firearm discharge event near UA campus. Request from Officer to have schedule of LPCA events for year. Southern District Community Relations Council - meets first Tuesday of every month 7pm @ Southern. Captain David Brust & Major Samuel Hood are new leadership at Southern.

Truck signage on Hull added by DOT. MDTA police generally don't have jurisdiction inside city.

DOT representative not present.

**Parks & Beautification** - Cheryl (LPCA): 3 large cleanup events every year - Earth Day (22 APR) is first.

2 Solar floodlights were installed in Dogpark recently. Seeking additional signage about keeping dogs outside dog park on leash. Longhouse project is delayed; Parks & Beautification meeting soon with Director BCRP to address delays and emphasize LPCA involvement in Latrobe projects. Requests for followup on Rec Center/fieldhouse bathrooms hours and expanding availability, status of playground shade structures.

LPCA working with artist Nicole Bucholz and received grant to do new murals at FSK.

**Education/Schools** - John (LPCA): Completed annual giving campaign, raising \$55K towards playground structures in rear. Increased number of individual donors. Science fair is tomorrow night; looking for volunteer judges still. [wearefsk.org](http://wearefsk.org)

**Social/Fundraising** - no update

Knights of Columbus having annual Bull & Oyster Roast Feb 4.

**Community Garden** - Dave (LPCA): Garden is dormant for the winter. New tshirts available - [locustpointcg@gmail.com](mailto:locustpointcg@gmail.com) . 5 new members signed up with plots, with 28 on waiting list. Plan to expand 18 new plots this year. Solar lights added to garden funded by LPCA grant.

**Website** - Michelle (LPCA): No updates.

**Grants Committee** - Molly(LPCA: Last year, distributed \$7k, and are budgeting \$7.5K in 2023.

**Old/New Business:**

- **Stevenson/Woodall Construction Project:** Project is now well underway. Meeting planned with task force next Tuesday.
- **Ryan Homes Construction (PQ lot):** Oneway signs placed at entrance at Lowman, but still addressing placement issues to increase visibility.

**Community Announcements:**

- **Bike Security Clinic:** Dave Stock (Trek) - Bike theft is a big issue in Baltimore. Make sure to record your serial number. If lock externally, do not use cable locks, which are insecure. Always route locks through back wheel and central frame, and lock to secure object or another bike. Front wheels are cheaper to replace if stolen, but can also purchase locking skewers for front wheels. Seats will also be stolen, especially if on a quick release clamp. U-locks, chain locks, or folding locks are more secure than cable locks. Free maintenance clinics at Trek every Thursday 5pm, and group rides at 8:15am Sundays open to public.
- **Reimagine Middle Branch Presentation** - Jasmine Kimon (Dept. of Planning): Project has been underway for several years, with goal of better connecting south Baltimore neighborhoods with waterfront. Projects proposed range from Curtis Bay to Riverside/Carroll-Camden. [reimaginemb.com](http://reimaginemb.com) Plan is wrapping up soon, and will be reviewed at Planning Commission next month.  
Request for followup visit from Planning team with LPCA Board.  
Baltimore Comprehensive Plan being updated as well, details and feedback mechanisms available on Dept of Planning website. Virtual feedback meeting next Tuesday at 7pm.
- **Dumpster Days 2023:** 3/11, 6/17, 9/23, 12/16

**Motion to adjourn 8:45pm, seconded. Adjourned.**