



LPCA General Meeting Minutes - August 10, 2016

Preliminaries:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call of Officers Present: Greg, Sarah, Ginny, Justin, Matt, Brian, Caitlin, Damian, Kate, Beth
- New Neighbor Introductions: 7
- Treasurer Update: \$25,082.08; \$2,710.01 in Dog Park account. Expenses mainly related to preparation for the Festival.
- Membership: few new members tonight, 98 previously.
- Refreshments graciously donated by Ruby 8 in McHenry Row

Approval of previous minutes: June minutes will be reviewed at September meeting.

General Updates

Communications/Newsletter:

- Email contacts@mylocustpoint.org to get on our email list and like us on Facebook for news.
- Recruiting editorial content for September newsletter in the next week.

Education/Schools:

- Principal Dunne - HVAC work underway at FSK School. Getting new library. School starts 29th August. Enrollment up 40 students from previous year. Could use more kids in Pre-K and Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd as well. Contact **410-396-1503** for registration information. Looking for more reading partner volunteers. School received almost \$8K from Harris Teeter VIC card program last year, please renew your enrollment! Also earns Amazon affiliate funds if you make your Amazon purchase through the school website - <http://baltimorecityschools.org/76> .

Safety:

- No major updates. 6-7 larcenies, robbery Decatur 1400 block. Assault 1100 Cooksie block.

Committee Reports

Design Review:

- Field House out for bid, should hear back soon with construction starting in winter.
- Hearing on PDI Lot this week at Department of Planning. Plans are same as before.

Dog Park:

- Water feature is fixed. Need new Dog Park chair - please email contacts@mylocustpoint.org.

Parks & Beautification:

- Had weeding session yesterday. Need to still do major weeding in 2 back beds.
- LPCA will be breaking the Park committee into smaller parts to distribute responsibility.
- Complaints about athletic fields users relieving selves in woods behind trail. Will look into portable toilets and better signage about restroom in Rec Center.



Social:

- Getting ready for Sep 10 Festival. 2 events soon - tomorrow happy hour at Ruby 8, and Kruschki making August 20, 8:30am - 1pm at German Church. Need 40 volunteers. Still need volunteers the day of & Friday before Festival, in 2 hour increments starting at 8am.
- Have 2 platinum sponsors for Festival - Diamondback Brewery, and Domino Sugar!

New/Old Business

Maryland Fleet Week & Baltimore Air Show Presentation

- Kevin Cleary - event will be 8-17 October, and occurring every other year onward. Oct 10 - USS Zumwalt arrives in North Locust Point, a Navy stealth ship (no tours). Oct 12 - more US & Canadian ships, Blue Angels, & Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race Parade of Sail. Oct 13 - Blue Angels practice. Oct 14 - Crew sports day at Latrobe. Oct 15 - Baltimore Marathon, with road closures starting 6am. Blue Angels air show 1pm off Fort McHenry, with access to Fort only via bus, walking or bike. 5pm Christening of USS Zumwalt, with 10K invitations and parking offsite so no traffic using Fort Ave. Oct 16 - Blue Angels air show #2. Air Shows bigger than 2012. Also festivals in Inner Harbor and at Martin State Airport.
- Parking impacts - no parking on Andre between Fort & McComas Friday morning to Sunday evening. No parking or traffic on Fort past Hull St. No bikes at Fort McHenry, park at Latrobe Park and walk. Checkpoints on Fort Ave, Key Hwy, and E McComas to keep non-residents out unless they have business in the neighborhood. Open questions on guests passing checkpoints. Thursday, Friday & Sunday will have security checkpoint at Wallace St by Fort McHenry at 1pm to do ship tours (except USS Zumwalt).
- Kevin Cleary can be contacted on cell phone at **410-818-8483** for any emergencies. See <http://mdfleetweek.com> for more information. Bag policy is restricted like at athletic events.

Banner Route Cancellation Discussion

- Banner Route will be cancelled in January, and decision seems final. Councilman is supportive of effort to save it, but we are in a different political climate with mayoral transition occurring. Conversations have already started with Pugh administration, and public hearings are scheduled, Wed August 31 from 6pm - 8pm at BMI. Bring as many people as you can to this meeting - very important to have a good showing.

Motion to extend meeting past 9pm, seconded, no opposition, motion carries.

Community Announcements

- **CSX property maintenance issues** - high vegetation blocking traffic sightlines CSX has explicitly said they won't clean up flares or anything else from their activities without a citation from the city. Also refused to install trash cans. Can we invite CSX liaison Mr. Hanrick to speak with LPCA?
- **Knights of Columbus fundraiser** - Saturday Aug 27, 6pm.

Adjourned 9:10 pm