

LOCUST POINT

CIVIC ASSOCIATION
LPCA General Meeting Minutes - May 11, 2016

Preliminaries:

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call of Officers Present: Greg, Harry, Laura, Ginny, Justin, Matt, John, Caitlin, Damian, Shannon, Caroline, Monica,
- New Neighbor Introductions: 2
- Treasurer Update: \$30,807.07; \$3,160.01 in Dog Park account.
- Membership: Several new members tonight, 83 previously.

Approval of previous minutes:

- **Motion to approve April 2016 minutes as presented; seconded** – no abstention or opposition, **motion carries.**

Committee Reports

Communications/Newsletter:

- Email contacts@mylocustpoint.org to get on our email list. Looking for editorial ideas for newsletter. We have filled the volunteer needs for newsletter distribution.
- Recruiting editorial content for May/June newsletter.

Design Review:

- PDI Development hearing coming up May 31, 3pm. LPCA has sent letter of support based on agreement forged between developer, residents & Design Review Committee.
- Lawrence Street study - 3 month DOT study started last thursday about travel/traffic issues on Lawrence with new development. Next meeting is May 16 at BMI. General Ship, Warhorse, Bozzutto, and area citizens compose the panel, if you are interested in participating. Issues are: pedestrian crossings, bike lane at Fort/Lawrence, lack of turn lanes on Fort, potential medians in Lawrence, traffic flow.

Dog Park:

- We need someone to take over role of chairing dog park. We've been hiring a company to do cleanups, but still need someone to oversee that and coordinate other logistics and communications. Please email contacts@mylocustpoint.org if you are interested.

Parks & Beautification:

- Over 60 volunteers for Ecoweek cleanups; picked up 6 elephants worth of debris. Last month asked people to donate plastic bags for dog cleanup stations and neighborhood responded admirably.
- This saturday, will be doing a planting in the front beds from 9-12. Looking for volunteers (6-10) to help water the plants throughout the summer.
- Question about trash cans overflowing? Being addressed by Parks & Rec and DPW. Will reach out to DPW again, specifically on Banner Field.



Education & Schools:

- Dr. Thornton has been replaced as CEO of BPS.
- This is last month for Harris Teeter program, currently at \$6800. Please remember to link FSK to your VIC card.
 - Top 2-3 VIC card programs receive additional 2-3K
 - Budget was cut by over \$1M this year. Fundraiser coming with Amazon, if you purchase via the website for FSK. 7% goes back to school from total spent.

Safety:

- Conversation around reducing frequency of COP walks due to low turnout, to 1-2 times/year.
- Officer Newman - no crime report this month. Still working on cases related to robberies/ carjackings at McHenry Row. 1 car recovered, 6 juvenile suspects identified.

Social:

- Flyer on Social Committee happy hour - June 9, 4-7pm @ Hull St Blues, with \$5 donation towards Festival, or free if you sign up to volunteer at Festival.
- May 18 is next Social meeting - everyone is welcome. Hope to have event every month.
- Festival is Sep 10, watch for updates on Facebook or social@mylocustpoint.org for questions.

New/Old Business

• LPCA Elections

Shannon Keeny, Monica Ott, and Laura McCoy will not be running for re-election.

Ballot is introduced. **Nominations open from floor. No write-ins nominated.**

Officer nominations:

President - Greg Sileo

Vice President - Harry Stinefelt

Treasurer - Sarah Swiger

Corresponding Sec - Ginny Raines

Recording Sec - Justin Grossman

Motion to close Officer nominations, seconded. Motion carries.

Board nominations:

Will Jovel

Kate McComiskey

John Shea

Beth Terry

Brian McHale

Motion to close Board nominations, seconded. Motion carries.

Vote occurs via paper ballots. (No contested roles so all nominees are elected.)



- **Delegate Brooke Lierman**

Recaps General Assembly session of 2016, covered in separate letter. \$300M Baltimore City package directed towards specific programs targeting problem areas in the city. Overview of state budget highlights. Free picnic June 5 from 3-5pm at Patterson Park for all residents of District 46.

- **Ms. Johns Tribute - Councilman Costello**

Ms. Johns, known for her advocacy for replacing the CSX bridge, passed away suddenly this month. Councilman Costello introduced legislation to rename the bridge in her honor. Will take about 2 months to go through legislative process. Hope is to get a plaque on each side of the bridge. For anyone that is interested, please reach out and help us raise money.

Q: Facebook messages about trash collection in Latrobe Park - should be daily, is it happening?

A: There was some confusion about which department was responsible, DPW is now clear that it is their task.

Q: Got a notice that resident trash can was coming, what is the turnaround?

A: Supposed to be 10 days, but can take a month or so. Schedule says June for Locust Point. Look on DPW website for individual neighborhood schedules. If you get the wrong can, let Councilman's office know and file 311 ticket.

Q: What is best way to report trash dumping?

A: Call 311, call councilman's office and Code Enforcement will track down dumpers.

Community Announcements

- Church of Redemption - Allen Center has moved in. Church & Center are having flea market and bake sale June 4, 8am. Table rentals are \$10, or bring donations to get rid of.
- May 21 is Big Truck Day at BMI, at 9am-1pm.
- May 24 is Thomas Johnson Elementary Family Health & Fitness Expo, 4:30-6:30pm at Riverside Park.
- June 3 is Annual TJE Bull & Shrimp Roast, 6pm at KoC.

Adjourned 8:50 pm