

AHCA Community Meeting March 5, 2019 - 7:30 PM AcademyHeightsMD.org

Called to Order at 7:36pm with President Joe Shinault presiding.

Board members in attendance (6): Jeannette Bonomo-Thomas, John O'Ferrall, Joe Shinault, Becky Stoll, Chris Waterman, Seth Wheeler

Members absent: Linda Barnes, Mischa Bowen-Kreiner, Beth McSweeney, Patrick Young

Minutes from February 5, 2019 were approved.

Community Outreach – Cat burglar who was active in Lansdowne, Baltimore City, and Anne Arundel County was apprehended, and an offender responsible for 76 armed robberies was also apprehended this month. Multiple jurisdictions collaborated to make these arrests. Catonsville crime statistics have been looking better than some other Wilkens precinct areas. There was a dirt bike complaint earlier today. There are multiple abandoned vehicles in the neighborhood currently that have been reported. There is only one tow truck for the whole county, and there is a process that must be followed before a vehicle can be towed. Continue to call 911 or 410-887-2222 to report. A "No parking here to corner" sign is missing. What is the process to get it replaced? That falls under traffic and engineering.

Treasurer's Report – The balance in the checking account is currently \$10,129.82. There was an expense for an additional check stamp.

Architectural – The updated spreadsheet was sent out. The fan door on Northdale has been remedied. There has been no response from Greenlow to the 30- or 60-day notice that the door needs to be remedied. John O'Ferrall also forwarded information regarding code enforcement and a community sweep. A potential legal services contract needs to be discussed. John O'Ferrall proposed setting up a face-to-face with the firm.

Communication – Facebook remains active with 410 users. The next newsletter will go out at the end of April.

Welcome Committee – There are currently 3 homes for sale, one pending. Nothing was sold in the last month.

Dues – We are at 15%. Board members, especially, should make sure their dues are paid.

Old Business

Relief Sewer Project Update – Cathy Engers visited the work site on Overbrook and took pictures. She will provide contact information, as well. The inspector, Reuben Holbrook, is pleased with new crew members who have been brought on board. The new pipe being installed is 15-inch PVC pipe, but its installation has been delayed due to encountering rock and conflicts with utilities.

Engineer: Dave Bayer 410-887-3782 dbayer@baltimorecountymd.gov

Inspector: Reuben Holbrook 410-887-3531 rholbrook@baltimorecountymd.gov (on site daily)

Inspector: Mark Messenger 410-887-3531 mmessenger@baltimorecountymd.gov

The timeframe may pick up once they finish on Overbrook.

695 – Edmondson ramp, whether permitting, will close on the 11th. (There is a 60-day clock to reopen it once it closes.) If it closes on the 11th, both ramps will reopen in mid-May.

County Executive outreach – Mary Clay is the County Executive's outreach director for district 1. A rescheduled Town Hall will be held at UMBC in the fine arts building recital hall. (It was rescheduled due to weather.) Previous town halls had about 300 people at each one, with questions running the gamut. Please come and bring neighbors.

Flyers regarding school construction challenges were provided. The County Executive is advocating for an increase in funding from Annapolis. He toured 4 elementary schools in the Northwest area that are facing significant challenges. State legislators can be contacted to advocate for what your local schools need, including renovation, replacement, capacity, etc. The Department of Health also provided community resource booklets from the division of aging.

Playground – Rick from the church met yesterday with residents and a representative from the county. They have determined there is an abandoned water line underground. They tested the water and determined it was tap water, not ground water. City Public Works will need to come out and find it. Once they can find it and cap it, the issue will be resolved.

Dumpster Day – A volunteer is needed to run it.

New Business

Block Party Planning – The 2019 Block Party will be held on September 28. Planning will start soon. A committee will be convened.

Open Discussion

Community Event – Christian Temple will be showing *Mary Poppins* on March 16.

Easter Egg Hunt - will be April 20.

Community Relations Council - Colonel Jones will attend an upcoming meeting.

Archives – No new developments.

Next Meeting: April 2.

Adjourned at 8:12 pm. Recorded by Jeannette Bonomo-Thomas.