

South Boston City Point Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes May 12, 2015

Board Members Present: Joanne McDevitt, President; Jim Covenno, Vice President; Jerry Tracy, Treasurer

Advisors Present: Kelly Masa, Social Committee

Minutes recorded by Jerry Tracy

Meeting called to order at 6:30PM by Joanne McDevitt

Representatives from BPD C-6 presented the following incidents during the past month:

- 4/26 794 E4th Noise complaint
- 4/29 655 E2nd Larceny
- 4/28 479 E4th B&E Residence
- 5/6 543 E7th B&E Multiple motor vehicles, arrest made
- 5/8 861 E2nd B&E Motor vehicle
- 5/9 627 E2nd B&E Motor vehicle, suspect arrested and charged
- 5/9 600 E2nd B&E Motor vehicle
- 5/9 2330 hours, Tynan school, assault & battery, 10 people vs. 2 teachers, injuries reported

Resident from 621 E2nd thanked officers for the very quick response to recent rash of M/V B&Es.

City Councilor Flaherty asked for an update on drug arrests in South Boston “proper”, noting that Andrew Sq has seen quite a few arrests. Councilor Flaherty asked C-6 to present findings at next meeting, with particular emphasis on what is happening on P Street, Broadway and other areas within City Point. Councilor Flaherty was quite emphatic that more must be done and that reports need to address drug arrests in the future.

C-6 Sergeant noted that the South Boston District Court tends to “white wash” drug cases. As a result, law enforcement tends to try and pick up these suspects in Andrew Square and shunt to Roxbury (B-2) District Court which has a stronger stance.

This Thursday, 5/14, at 8AM Senator Linda Dorcena Foray and Representative Nick Collins have a meeting State Police regarding the beach and Columbia Road concerns. There was mention of dedicated patrols that would take place along that corridor.

Kerri from BPD spoke about “Coffee with Cops” event to take place on Wed, 7/8, at 9AM at Boston Bagels. All are encouraged to attend and speak with local law enforcement regarding any concerns. This event is “open mic”, no agenda, and open to all.

C-6 Sergeant provided results of a recent traffic study. Based upon 148 cars surveyed between M and N Streets, the study determined the average speed was 26 MPH. Neighborhood concerns were expressed, despite these results.

Massport presented 2 reports; Terminal and Aviation

Terminal

1st phase is now complete. This phase included Demo at Coastal Oil site, Stripping pavement, utility upgrades, road construction, sound wall installation, site work and contaminated soil mitigation.

Phase 2 will include bridge work, roadway connector, construction of buffer zone and finalized dog park plans.

Completion is slated for late 2016/early 2017

Following the terminal plan there were many questions from members, including: Mechanisms in place to deal with specific events and occurrences (container drops, backing vehicles); LED vs. sodium lights; 2-way radio noise reduction.

It was mentioned that Billy Spain and Bob Allison are both very involved with the process.

Other items were: truck traffic will increase to 2200 (from 750) round-trips, per day, by 2025; 3 feet of excavated material to remove potentially hazardous soil and will be replaced with clean material; tank 3 demolition had a release of fuel and its being addressed.

Aviation

Flavio Leo spoke on numerous topics including patterns, noise abatement, pilot procedures and FAA regulations. There are obvious R-Nav concerns and how the data correlates to current Excela reporting, as mentioned by Mary C. There was a robust discussion between Massport and local residents that focused mostly on noise reductions and flight path intrusions into the neighborhood.

Flights have decreased from 486,000 to 366,000 per year

Bird management program in place

Massport provided the following to CPNA in order to report complaints specific to the Conley terminal: 617-464-8245

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:10PM by Joanne McDevitt

Respectfully Submitted,

Jerry Tracy, Treasurer, CPNA