

City Point Neighborhood Association
Meeting Minutes
10.09.12

Board Members Present: Joanne McDevitt, Ben Rogers, Marcia Campbell
Advisory Board Member: Paul Goulet

Guests Present: State Representative Nick Collins; Sean Regan, Mayor's office; Tom Butler and Mike Moynihan, Sen Hart's office; Jake Bombard, Rep. Collin's office; Mark McGonagle, Councilor Linehan's office.

Boston Police: Capt. John Greland; Sgt. Watts; Officers Belotte and Halliday

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM. Joanne introduced the Board members and restated our goals and purpose and our need for volunteers in moving forward.

Office Belotte indicated that except for an arrest of someone found committing a B&E on 10/7 at 12 O St., most of the other crimes have been to motor vehicles including thefts of airbags and vandalism. Capt. Greland explained that at Station 6 there are daily reports of incidents. These are not full blown reports with names and detailed descriptions which can be gotten from Police Headquarters, but they are a log for the officers of activity in District 6. These are also posted on the BPD web site. With regard to recent drug arrests, if they are led by Federal or State or agency other than BPD it would not be reflected in the BPD reports.

Representative Nick Collins urged the members to attend an upcoming meeting regarding student assignment to Boston Public Schools and sign a petition available with full details and meeting schedules at: www.qualitychoiceplan.com The plan is to offer real commitments to quality and citywide choices of schools.

Sean Regan indicated that the M St. softball park is being given a major overhaul from funds from the Mayor's Capital Plan and will be completed Spring 2013.

There was a discussion about the meeting Oct. 10 at 7 PM at Tynan School regarding the issue of a 2 AM license being applied for by The Playwrite.

Regarding the above and other issues, here are the email addresses for local political and government contacts should you want to contact them regarding:

Thomas.Butler, Senator Hart's Office: Thomas.Butler@masenate.gov

Jake Bombard, Office of Rep. Collins: Jacob.Bombard@mahouse.gov

Sean Regan, Neighborhood Coordinator, Mayor's Office: Sean.Regan@cityofboston.gov

Mark McGonagle, Office of Councilor Linehan: Mark.Mcgonagle@cityofboston.gov

Ben Rogers indicated that the Treasury of CPNA, Inc. is \$2019.73. Membership cards were given out to those who have paid dues and we would like to have them presented when you come to meetings.

Ben advised that the 23 responses to survey that we did at the September meeting indicated that members were in agreement with the way we currently run our meetings and the general direction of the organization. There were a number of constructive ideas for meeting speakers and possible events to host as well as other ideas and they were discussed at the October board meeting and will be taken up as we move forward. The www.citypoint.org web site is still being worked on and we anticipate a presentation will take place at one of the next meetings.

Dave Matteo reported there will be a Buffer Committee meeting regarding E. First St. in the coming months before Massport has a community wide meeting to discuss the overall design of the project and get feedback from community. CPNA will advise when this meeting is scheduled. Dave further reported that regarding East Fourth, M St. and Emerson St. that the Boston Transportation Department will be implementing the following changes: Removing the parking box on the Emerson Cleaners side of E. Fourth St.; removing the parking box on the opposite side of the street to accommodate four more angled parking spaces closer to N St.; the remainder of the angled parking on the opposite side of the street from Emerson Cleaners will remain; the island will be built with curbs so it is a permanent fixture and will discourage double parking; street signs will be installed

Paul Goulet presented the awards and restaurant gift certificates for the City Point in Bloom garden contest to:

Grand Prize: Mary Cappucio
Grand Prize: Linda and Bill Connolly
Honorable Mention: Jill and Rob Morris
Honorable Mention: Marie Ryan

Paul will be heading up the committee for our annual Christmas Tree and is looking for volunteers. You can contact him at: pbgoulet@hotmail.com

Joanne indicated a good turn out at the street fair and we welcome new neighborhood residents who signed up. The Alliance is continuing it's work for a meeting regarding a Master Plan for South Boston with the BRA. The CPNA will donate Christmas baskets of food for families to The Ollie and will give details of what is needed at November meeting.

7:30 Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Campbell, Interim Secretary CPNA

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\$10.00 individual and \$15.00 family

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