



ROLAND PARK

Civic League Board Meeting

Roland Park Presbyterian Church
4801 Roland Avenue (enter on Upland)
January 2, 2019, 7:00-9:00PM

Attendance: Richard Bruno, Ann-Barron Carneal, Ashley Handwerk, Mary Kay Battafarano, Chris Cortwright, Kristin Herber, Jennifer Viglucci, Steve Grantz, Blair Storzer Bob Connors, Anne Stuzin, Cara Shea Kohler, Tom Carlson, Dan McIntyre

1. Routine Business

1. President's opening remarks
2. Police/Fire Updates
 1. Captain Joel Heiss attended His email address is:
JoelHeiss@baltimorepolice.org.
 2. There were no fire fighters in attendance.
3. Draft Minutes for Approval: Blair Storzer moved for approval of the previously circulated December Meeting Minutes, as revised, with the further revision to include Kristin Herber as among those Board members who helped to make the food drive a success, which motion was seconded by Mary Kay Battafarano and passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. New Business

1. Thanksgiving Food Drive: Bob Connors read a thank you letter received from George Mitchell, director of the Langston Hughes Center. There was discussion about the Center's activities.
2. Strategic Communications update: The hired communications firm has interviewed approximately 20 different people from throughout the community. Most people were comfortable getting their information from NextDoor, for events such as the Thanksgiving Food Drive event. The next step is to use the data to put a plan in place for how to communicate with residents. There are several ideas that people raised and now the consultant will pull those together.
3. Roland Avenue Safety Update: There has not been a committee meeting in the last month. We are waiting for more information. Speed is obviously a continued issue. The speed cameras near Eddie's have made an impact. We have gotten approval for two additional cameras to be placed near St. David's. We hope to get these in the next implementation of the cameras city-wide.
 1. Eric James, Northwest Community Liaison for the Transit Bureau of the DOT was in attendance and answered questions about community concerns regarding the state of the roads (note: not related to cycle track). Mr. James's email address is ejames@baltimorecity.gov and phone number is 443-984-4094/95.

4. RPCL office: The refurbishing of the RPCL office is underway.
 1. Shari has changed her days from Monday-Friday to Tuesday-Saturday.
 5. Robert Ginyard, assistant to Councilwoman Middleton, discussed his office's activities.
 6. Rick Leandry, liaison from Mayor Pugh's office, was in attendance. Mayor Pugh's designee for chief of police, is going to be available for community meetings. He will be at the City Council January 5 from 10-4. He is also doing events on the east and west sides of town.
 1. There will be a parade on Dr. Martin Luther King Day at noon along MLK Blvd.
3. Committee Reports
- a. Architectural Review: Tom Carlson presented the report of the architectural review committee. There are no new applications this month.
 - b. Finance: There was no update.
 - c. Social: Ann-Barron Carneal presented the report of the social committee. There is a plan to reach out on NextDoor to solicit committee members to help with the anticipated spring events, including the Egg Hunt and 4th of July.
 - d. Maintenance: Andrew Marani presented the report of the maintenance committee. The work on the Stony Run path is ongoing. The committee turned up several additional drains in Centennial Park. The bike racks in front of the library have been installed and should be complete. We need to renew the contract for the organic debris for next year. There is a question about whether to add August back in to the contract. This was done in the past, but was then left out as a cost-savings. The contractor said that the September piles were extremely large. The finance committee will discuss the budget implications at their next meeting. There followed a discussion of the replacement of the path signs. Andrew advised that we are expecting a new contract for K&C.
 - e. Land Use/Zoning: Chris McSherry presented the report of the Land Use/Zoning committee. There has not been any update on the Overlook petition for review.
 - f. Public Safety: Chris Cortwright discuss the efforts of a neighboring neighborhood that tracks its crime use a google forum. A discussion about the new Citizen App took place.
 - g. Traffic and Transportation: None.
 - h. Landscape committee of RPCF: Kathy Hudson presented the report of the committee. The next meeting is on January 22. Our contact from Mahan Rykiel is planning to attend and will present a plan for landscaping about the TKF bench in Stony Run, which has been worked on before. The gentleman from Mahan Rykiel has also been working on the flooding issue at Oakdale with Parks & Rec to formulate a solution to this ongoing problem.
 - i. Nominating: Anne Stuzin presented the report of the newly-reconvened nominating committee. Board members within their term limits have been asked if they plan to return.
 - j. Martha Marani has agreed to return as editor of the Roland Park News.
 - k. There was a suggestion from the floor that a plaque be sponsored to honor the Davidov's from the recently closed Tuxedo Pharmacy.

4. Adjourn: Bob Connors adjourned the meeting at 8:47.