

# Highlandtown Community Association

## Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2015

Present: Brain Sweeney (President) has sign-up sheet for list of attendees/members/board members on file

Next meeting: September 21, 2015, 7:00pm, Salem UMC, 3405 Gough St

### Agenda Items

1) **Call to Order/Pledge**-Brian Sweeney

2) **Treasury Report** – Agnes Arnold, will be posting online

3) **President's Report** (Brian Sweeney)

A) Pompeii project-new agreement made between developer and church, property must be subdivided, may begin work by august.

B) Hausner's-set to be auctioned off on June 30<sup>th</sup> at noon.

C) Robbery/Shooting at Mr. Joe's convenience store-no updates from police. However, both the convenience store and the Chicken King building are up for auction next month.

D) Conkling St.-there has been an uptick in prostitution/trafficking/drug activity

-Call 911 if you see anything, get tags of vehicles

-Contact Jeff Amoros [jeffrey.amoros@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:jeffrey.amoros@baltimorecity.gov) with information, as they are in contact with service providers as well (not merely prostitution but also trafficking)

4) **New Business/Announcements**

A) Rachel Timmins is now the Community Liason for Councilman Brandon Scott. Contact info is [rachel.timmins@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:rachel.timmins@baltimorecity.gov)

B) Patterson Park Master Plan Meeting on Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Patterson Park Public Charter School  
Come lend your voice!

C) Latino Fest in June 27-28 in Patterson Park.

D) Conkling St Community Garden Work Day on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

E) Blood Drive at Hopkins Bayview June 29<sup>th</sup>-July 1st from 7:30am-5:30pm

F) Mark Parker (Patterson Park Liaison/Pastor-Breath of God Lutheran)

-If you are interested in helping with new neighbor visits, contact Mark at [lsmparker@gmail.com](mailto:lsmparker@gmail.com)

-Breath of God Church will be a distribution hub for the city's Summer Food program

-Old Canton Middle School-halted progress for the school. Residents are encouraged to write letters to North Ave. to indicate desire for school (to be operator-run, city school, etc.)

-Crabfeast Fundraiser for Preschool at Breath of God, June 28<sup>th</sup> from noon-3pm (\$10/per child, mac \$40/per family) BYOB

G) Blockenstein Yard Sale Update (Agnes Arnold)

-Great event

-There is now a need for registration help next year. If interested , contact Agnes Arnold at [AArnold@easternsavingsbank.com](mailto:AArnold@easternsavingsbank.com)

H) Neighborhood Safety (Nick Kirley)

- Reminder of COP walks on Thursday at 7pm, corner of Gough and Conkling (Laughing Pint)
- Comstat meeting at Lombard and Conkling, police brass were there for strategic meeting in intersection
- When reported a robbery, had 90 sec response time and multiple officers
- There is now a cease work order on building on south west corner of Lombard and Conkling. They need permits before they can continue work. If anyone is seen working on premises, call 311 and then Jim Kraft's office

6) **Guest Speakers**

A) Kiwanis Club-looking for new membership, highlighted multiple projects done in Baltimore.

-If interested in membership, send email to [membership@kiwanis.org](mailto:membership@kiwanis.org) or call 1-800-KIWANIS

B) Retrofit Baltimore (Paul)

-Offering up to 50% on efficiency upgrades for home insulation, if you qualify (410) 929-6139

C) State District Attorney's Office (Noel Newman)

-July 25<sup>th</sup>, Community Day in Court

-Aim to B-More Program exists to help 1<sup>st</sup> time, non violent felony offenders get a chance for employment through job/trade training.

-Cobtact at [mail@stattorney.org](mailto:mail@stattorney.org)

**\*\*There will be NO HCA Meetings in July or August. We will reconvene on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm\*\***

7) **Meeting Ended at 8:20pm**