

**Federal Hill Neighborhood Association
General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, March 19, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER:

Beth Whitmer called the meeting to order at 6:35PM

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2019 MEETING:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February meeting. The Motion was unanimously approved.

RASH FIELD UPDATE:

Laurie Schwartz, the Executive Director of Waterfront Partnership, reviewed the Rash Field project. Included in this project will be a locally owned café that will serve light fare, wine, beer and liquor. The idea of the café is to have an on site eatery so those who are enjoying the park can have a bite to eat or something to drink while they are enjoying the park. They have applied for a liquor license. This café can be open until midnight but most nights it will close much earlier. It will also be allowed to have some amplified music.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Major Brown reported that this month has been fairly calm. There was one carjacking on Charles Street. The Irish Stroll bar crawl was also calmer than previous crawls, and Lindy Promotions provided a sufficient amount of security.

BUSINESS RELATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATE:

Faith Millspaugh reported on the Irish Stroll. She too had heard it was well managed. The only concern she had was the area was not as clean as was expected. She spoke to Lindy about this, and next year Lindy will make sure the area is left in better shape. A percentage of the proceeds from the crawl go toward Federal Hill MainStreet beautification projects.

FEDERAL HILL MAINSTREET:

Cathy Rosenbaum gave an update on Federal Hill Mainstreet. They received a \$75,000 grant from South Baltimore Gateway to be used for beautification and other projects in the business district, and she has applied for another grant to help with cleaning and greening. She also described upcoming events in the neighborhood. There is a Crushfest Block Party on April 27th, and the Jazz and Blues Festival will be on June 1st. The 3rd Thursdays for businesses will be from 6-8, and the businesses will offer 10% off of their merchandise.

COMPOSTING FOR THE COMMUNITY:

Marvin Hayes from Baltimore Compost Collective presented their organization and Baltimore Grow Centers. There will be a Composting Workshop on 4/30 at 1317 Filbert Street, 21226.

DPW COMMUNITY LIASON:

Larry Nunely is Federal Hill's DPW community liaison, and he offered to help our community when needed. His phone number is [443-534-0574](tel:443-534-0574) / [443-615-2626](tel:443-615-2626) (Please [check these phone numbers](#)), and his email is larry.nunley@baltimorecity.gov.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Fundraising for the Robert Baker Park Sculpture is complete!
- The Neighborhood Association made contributions to Baltimore Station, Fourth of July Parade and Jesus Our Redeemer Church.
- Also as a reminder, May elections are coming up, and Beth asked the members to make nominations. The association is in need for younger people to get involved in the association and the board.

Meeting was adjourned.

