

Federal Hill Neighborhood Association
General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, April 20, 2021
(via Zoom)

CALL TO ORDER:

Beth Whitmer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
Approximately 54 participants were in attendance via Zoom

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

Mayor Brandon Scott – Mayor Brandon Scott joined the FHNA general meeting. He shared that Baltimore’s challenge is for Baltimore to evolve itself and to create an efficient and effective City government. He recruited Chris Shorter as City Administrator and other key positions to change City government. Mayor Scott’s priorities are dealing with the COVID pandemic and the violent crime in Baltimore. He has introduced the micro-zone strategy for dealing with the violence and is encouraging the diversion of issues from 911 so that the Baltimore Police Department can focus on violent crime. He is focusing on getting other agencies and City residents involved in public safety.

Mayor Scott then introduced Chris Shorter, City Administrator. Chris shared that his first priority is getting the right people on board and focusing the City employees on being customer centric.

Mayor Scott then participated in a question-and-answer session regarding a variety of topics including: the revitalization of the inner harbor, DPW services, effect of the pandemic on students, recording of City deeds, traffic calming on Warren Ave., COVID vaccine rollout, Federal Hill Park safety, resuming of evictions, etc.

CHAP Update – Fran Landolf, Chairman of the Architectural Review Committee, provided an update on CHAP and the process to be followed if making changes to the outside of your property in the CHAP district.

Social Committee Update – Sheri Hunt shared that FHNA will be participating in the Mayor’s Spring Cleanup on Saturday, April 24th. FHNA will be at Robert Baker Park giving out donuts, coffee, and trash bags for those participating in the cleanup. We will also be encouraging neighbors to join the FHNA and will have signup forms available at Robert Baker Park. FHNA and FHMS are working on a joint Mixology Class event at Mothers on Wednesday, May 19th. More information to come as details are determined.

Annual Elections – Beth Whitmer shared that the FHNA Board Elections will take place at the May general membership meeting. Nominations are due by May 8th.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the March FHNA General Membership Meeting were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Zac Blanchard encouraged neighbors to participate in the security camera program where the City will give residents \$150 rebate for security cameras purchased and installed.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.