



## CHARTLEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Executive Board Meeting 11/14/2023

Trade Name expires 5/31/2027

**Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome Guests** – meeting started at 6:55pm.

Attendees: Crystal Micriotti, Mary Molinaro, Tina Sevik, Sue Dalrymple, Ernie Schmidhauser, Joe Kirby, Dave Powers, Ryan Nash (representative for Delegate Jennifer White Holland)

**Approval of October 2023 Board Meeting Minutes** – motion made to Approve the minutes as written by Mary, seconded by Joe, no changes in discussion, unanimously approved

### Officers' Reports

- **President – Crystal Micriotti** –
  - **Formation of Nomination Committee 2024** – Mary agreed to participate but hopes not to chair. She has been speaking with some of the neighbors who expressed an interest in getting involved (Stephen Etzine who lives on Chartley and had one of the new trees planted on the Sacred Heart side, Roger & Megan Davis who also live on Chartley and were graduates of Franklin High School in the 1990s as well as Heidi Shaneybrook who lives on Highmeadow Road and was their classmate). Mary added them to our group email list and hopes to encourage them to join and take a leadership role.
  - **Requested a street cleaning for Chartley – Balto. Co.** Dave commented that it would be great to get some warning and residents could move their cars off the street; Crystal said if she hears from the county in advance she will advise the community
- **Vice President – Sue Dalrymple** – nothing to report
- **Treasurer – Tina Sevik** – there were no comments on the items on the financial statement; Mary congratulated Dave and Ernie on the excess revenue that was greater than \$1,500 this year even though they were concerned about the lower number of attendees; Dave thanked Tina for selling the most tickets of anyone in the community.
- **Secretary – Diane Harding-Allen** - absent
- **Immediate Past President – Joe Kirby** – saw Sean Crowley who planted the trees, has been watering them and said he is pleased with how they are growing.

### Committee Reports

- **Real Estate – Mary Muth** – absent and didn't forward a report this month
- **Block Captains – Brad Sharpless** – absent; Mary reported that Barb Rhodes approached Joe at the general meeting that she will be happy to take back the route as Barb Broadbent passed away; Joe will continue to deliver Kaycee Wright's route until we find a replacement. If anyone knows someone on the even side of Sacred Heart in the 100 and 200 block; Joe had emailed the block captains in the past advising them when to expect the Chatters for delivery
- **Membership – Betsy Sloan** – absent; Mary reported that we currently have 142 members. Ernie said we need to find a way to increase membership.
- **Newsletter – Jack Sloan** – absent; he emailed Crystal a report
  - eChatter – next deadline – tonight the 14<sup>th</sup> for the November eChatter and no December eChatter
  - Chatter – Timeline – January 9th
  - Advertising Update – no comment

- **Police Rep./C.O.P. – Dave Powers**

**Crime in Chartley-** Six crimes reported by Chartley residents during October as follows: 4 thefts, including 2 from UNLOCKED vehicles, and 2 non-domestic assaults. This is the largest number of crimes reported in any month so far this year. This brings our YTD total to 21.

Note: The 2 thefts from unlocked vehicles took place on Deacon Brook Cir, on the same night. Based on reports from various Chartley residents, as well as information I gathered from the Ring Neighborhood network, and from Next Door Glyndon, it appears that a group of perps go thru different neighborhoods, on different nights, usually after mid-night. There doesn't seem to be any pattern as to how these neighborhoods are selected (e.g. every third or fourth night). But, for Chartley, Deacon Brook Circle seems to be a street of choice as it has been hit several times within the past several months.

Note: From Crime reporting websites: Theft reported on 11/9/23 in the 300 Blk of Bond Ave; Intentional drug overdose reported on 11/12/23 in the 200 Blk of Janet Ct.

**COP Grant Application received. Due Dec 15<sup>th</sup>.** -99 % completed. Am requesting \$450 as follows: \$ 100 Administrative (standard), \$ 250 NNO (standard), \$50 replacement LED flashlight that failed during a patrol), \$ 50 replacement rooftop flashing LED amber light that failed during patrolling this past Halloween

- **Police Community Relations Council – Dave Powers**

**PCRC Mtg Oct 17, 2023- Capt. Jamerson's Report:**

- Theft of vehicles continues to increase nationwide, including Balt Co, and Precinct 3, particularly for Hyundai and Kia vehicles. 16 vehicles stolen in one night (Precinct 3), 9 from the same court (Brookbury Ct)
- "Smash and grab" thefts from vehicles increasing in all Precincts in Baltimore County.
- Frequent situations large groups of people gather in parking lots throughout the County and use the parking lot to do "donuts" with their vehicles. Appears to be a Virginia based auto club who seem to target Maryland as a place to "burn rubber" as Maryland laws prohibiting this activity are reported to be weaker than Virginia laws.
- Shoplifting increasing within Precinct and nationwide. Expects to continue as we go thru the Holiday Season
- 2 commercial burglaries reported recently. The first was at the Santoni's loading dock, and the second was at the Glyndon Grill. Both are under investigation.
- Shooting on Oct 15<sup>th</sup> on Crondall Lane where the victim was shot in the arm and head (non-fatal head wound). Suspect arrested.
- Recent arrest of an individual nicknamed "the blue bandaid burglar" on Taragon Rd cleared 9 open burglary cases
- Will increase police patrols particularly in certain areas such as Reisterstown Rd and E Cherry Hill Rd

Request made for PCRC to purchase a new McGruff costume. This costume is protected and must be purchased from the owners of the Patent. Cost is approximately \$3,000.00 each. Motion made to approve and was carried.

**Next PCRC Meeting: Tues, Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 PM, at the Village of Timbergrove Clubhouse (425 E. Cherry Hill Rd.).**

- **Reisterstown Main Street – Mary Molinaro**

Many RIA projects have been completed; Ernie helped with the historic plaque project for 19 projects with the first 5 being unveiled December 9<sup>th</sup> – the rest will be next spring; the Visioning and Design guidelines work is completed and Crystal has printed 100 books which will be distributed shortly with the next goal to get Design Guidelines approved in the county

Events still to come include:

**Business Roundtable** the speakers were first Gail Schuman from Community Crisis Center who spoke about her program “Bottoms Up” which focuses on crucial necessities such as Diapers, Wipes, Baby Formula/Food, feminine hygiene pads, tampons and incontinence products. Solutions from babies to elderly for people lacking funds. We discussed possibly organizing a collection through CNA. The 2<sup>nd</sup> speaker was Stacy McAleer from the Cavanagh House who spoke of their two career programs. Those who complete the course have great job opportunities to help them and their families rise out of poverty. Both are very good non-profit programs right here in our town.

**Small Business Saturday**, Saturday Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 3pm – shopping bags and snacks will be offered at the Welcome Center so stop by on your way to an afternoon of shopping on Main Street

November 28<sup>th</sup> at Noon **Volunteer Helpers** will be gathering in the Welcome Center to put batteries in all the fairy lights and Christmas ball decorations

Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9am **Volunteer Helpers** will meet at 202 Main Street to go out and hang the wreaths and lights on the 100 lamp posts. All volunteers are welcome. If you have a ladder or snips for the zip ties that would be great.

Tuesday December 12<sup>th</sup> **Business Roundtable** will have Laura Yingling from Greenberg Gibbons give a report on the Reisterstown Shopping Center

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> **Holidays on Main** – from 11am to 1pm the Welcome Center will host a Santa’s Workshop themed event with attendees personalizing an ornament, cookies and treats and write a letter to Santa!

- **Scholarship update – Chris Yambor** – absent; he sent an email to Crystal that he is still looking for a replacement but will most likely be able to do 2024 as the probably won’t move by then.
- **Webmaster/Social Media – Kaycee Wright** – no report sent
- **Zoning/Traffic – Looking for a chairperson** – Joe reported that he didn’t have any issues he was watching.

## Special Events & Reports

- **Patrolling on Halloween – Ernie and Dave** Crystal thanked everyone (Ernie, Dave & Jimmy Roberts) for driving throughout the community and thought it was a good event with everyone having fun and not causing problems. It seemed to be completed by 9pm this year.

## Old Business –

- **407 Sacred Heart Lane – water leaking problem. Mary Molinaro** it appears that DPW had to dig in the street to get to the leaking pipe. They fixed it in 2 days working to repair the leak, fill and patch the street and fill the dirt back in the ground, seeding so hopefully next year it will fine. There is now a problem at 233 Glyndon Drive. The homeowner has contacted DPW but so far the problem hasn’t been resolved. We will keep in touch with the homeowners.
- **Hookah Bar – status?** Tina shared a letter sent to her by Dave Kirby in code enforcement that was sent from the property owner to the owner of the Hookah bar advising them that if they didn’t follow the county rules they will have violated their lease and will be evicted. Tina said that the owner lied at the October General Meeting to the residents because he promised that day to follow the rules and since then has continued to stay open well past midnight. Tina and Tom have taken video and forwarded it to the police, code enforcement, and ATC agents.

## New Business

- **Storage Unit at Walgrove and Main Street – Mary Molinaro**

**Should we write a letter on behalf of CAN?** There is a Development Review Committee Hearing on 617-619 Main Street Self-Storage. The request is pursuant to BCC Section 32-4-106 (b)(8) for a minor development not to exceed three lots. This project includes tax accounts 1900003388 and 0419033610

Ernie pointed out that they can build the storage facility “by right” since the property is zoned BM. This is not a hearing in front of a judge. Mary said she will sign in to listen to the hearing and was looking for comments the community can make

- Require landscaping to shield the building from the neighborhood properties, especially those on Piper Road
- Require Façade facing Main Street should be of materials similar to others on Main Street as this. The next block of Main Street is the entrance to the Historic section of Reisterstown. When the 2<sup>nd</sup> building of Camden Auto was approved the judge said in the order that the Main Street side should have a brick façade.
- Light should be shielded to show only on the property and not shine towards the neighborhood.
- Hours of operation?
- Why have another self-storage facility when one is currently being built 1 mile south in the Reisterstown Shopping Center?
- Are there restrictions in the rental agreement of what can be stored in the facility (no hazardous materials for example?)

- Ernie suggested a letter be sent to thank Allie Sooklal for once again choosing CNA at her employment to make a donation. Mary will write an article for the November eChatter to mention #Giving Tuesday and Matching Donation opportunities.

**Adjourn** at 8:50pm. Minutes taken by Mary Molinaro