



BAY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC.

BVNA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2018

EC Present: Bethany Patten, Sarah Herlihy, Trish Gillis, Julie Reynolds, Aoife Austin, Joe Kuranda, Jo Campbell, Roque Dion, Danny Moll, Tom Parsi, Jamie Brewer, Clyde Bergstresser, Ben Beck, Allie Fitzgerald, Alex Balukonis, Nancy Morrisroe, Judy Kamarow

Other: Faisa Sharif (ONS), Steve Moore (Councilor Flynn's Office, Steve Dunwell, Kendra Mar, Tim Brett (revere Hotel).

Start: The meeting commenced at 7:04 PM

Community Rel.: Revere Hotel: Tim Brett, General Manager of the Revere Hotel joined our meeting to discuss some of the recent issues including late night noise, revving engines in the parking garage during a car show, and trash removal/improper use of the Church Street plaza by their trash removal company. Tim provided an email address for residents to use in case of noise violations: rev-bayvillage@reverehotel.com that will go directly to their internal management team. Car show was one-off. Shouldn't happen again. Trash issue is ongoing, and he is managing through regular communication with contractor, and considering switching.

Residents should know that management is looking to change the image of the hotel. Committed to helping out and making changes. Pool still available to residents, and hotel is looking to do a promotion between the neighborhood and Rebel's Guild – some sort of discount card for neighborhood.

Hempfest Letter: Bethany reported that the Friends of the Public Garden are attempting to reduce the number of days that hempfest due to maintenance, noise, etc. Letter to the city has been circulated to BNVA and approved.

Planning: Mooncusser Fish House: Bethany reported that Mooncusser would like to ask the neighborhood to approve outdoor seating and will present at the next Licensing & Planning meeting, or Executive Committee meeting. Whichever comes first.

Nahrita (formerly Liquid Art House): Bethany reported that the owners reached out and would like to provide an update to the BVNA regarding their pending application for outdoor seating. Sarah reported they have not properly advised the neighborhood according to a previous agreement (which she will send to Bethany). Sarah also reported notice of a hearing with the city licensing board to approve the changes in seating, signage, hours, layout and valet services which

would require BVNA approval. Hearing is scheduled for July 18th. BVNA needs to follow up with owners before the hearing to agree on new proposal.

Motor Mart: Developers presented again, not much has changed since last presentation. Will go up a little higher and be a little skinnier. They will share a presentation of how this will look without 212. There has been a lot of conversation about putting in some retail space. Same concepts as before – adding pedestrian area across from park. Nothing new – just additional height. They owe a shadow survey and a wind survey – we have a long time before we will vote on this – and the BVNA should press for community benefits

67-69 Church St/Erbaluce Bldg: Bethany shared proposal presented at the Licensing & Planning meeting. 1st proposal is 56 feet high, much higher than the 40 feet currently next door – pushed them to keep the plans lower. Either plan does go up above the surrounding building. They are trying to add 2.5 floors. Height limit is 35 feet for the building under current zoning. They will do historic renovations to fronts on Church street and some on Shawmut. Commercial space will still stay at the bottom – planning to have restaurant space but not sure it will be Erbuluce. Will need to make sure the new restaurant agrees to similar restrictions on noise, hours, etc., as current tenant.

Limoliner: The luxury bus line (transit between NYC and Boston) has informed the BVNA president that they have approval to use the bus top at 9 St. James Street as a stop to pick up passengers. There is a possibility they will need to idle and they have suggested the Revere Hotel as a possibility. BVNA is making sure they will not be idling anywhere in Bay Village and no inconvenience to the neighborhood.

212 Stuart Street Improvements: Bethany reported that per their agreement, developers of 212 have removed billboard dunnage above existing structure.

City Services:

Bay Village Parking Stickers: During clean-up day it came to the BVNAs attention that a resident at 100 Arlington had a Bay Village parking sticker but residents at the high rise are not allowed to have the neighborhood parking sticker. Asked that the city look into enforcement of permits. Overall there is concern about former residents continuing to park in the neighborhood and limiting available spaces for current residents who rightfully have a parking permit. Steve Moore mentioned that there are some neighborhoods who are considering a fee for a parking sticker (at different rates per neighborhood).

Compost Pilot: Bethany attended a hearing at city hall in mid-June to discuss a city-wide inquiry into compost collection. City is considering Bay Village for a pilot. Too early to tell what the program will look like. Neighbors raised issues of rats. Let Bethany know if you are interested in being more involved.

Big Belly Trash Receptacle on Isabella St: At long last, a new big belly has arrived on the corner of Arlington and Isabella! Congrats to the City Services team and thank you to all who have helped over the past 6+ months to get the big belly back.

Social:

Membership Renewal Issues: Bethany reported that in switching to Wild Apricot for credit card processing of BVNA transactions, old card numbers were lost,

making auto renewal impossible. Members will need to renew manually and re-enter their credit card information this year. Auto renewals will not be possible for anyone reviewing after July 1. The BVNA will communicate and make sure everyone is aware of the update and the extra step. For now, everyone's credit card information has been removed so there is no confusion and no need to worry about a possible double charge.

Block Party: Save the date! Sept 20th for this year's block party! City services confirmed the process isn't complicated – we don't need a carnival license or a building permit. The social and membership committee will begin work to make sure we are ready to go for our annual block party.

Parks:

General Upkeep: the parks committee is trying to keep up with watering. Next month they will bring their plan to discuss the park at Church and Melrose. It should be noted that the Mayor's office mentioned their appreciation for our upkeep of Elliott Norton Park.

Adjournment: The EC voted to adjourn. Meeting adjourns @ 7:40pm.

After the meeting, Shannon McAuliffe, Candidate for District Attorney joined members of the BVNA and provided residents information on her upcoming campaign. Ms. McAuliffe is a democratic candidate for District Attorney. She has prior experience as a public defender and as the director of the non-profit Roca. Her campaign platform includes the following goals: end mass incarceration, eliminate discrimination in the justice system, improve mental health services (treat addiction as a mental health issue, not a crime), and prosecute sexual assault and harassment crimes. More information is available at mcauliffeforDA.com or email info@mcauliffeforDA.com

Don't forget to vote on September 4th!