**BVNA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

June 3, 2019

**EC Present:** Bethany Patten, Grant Simpson, Joe Kuranda, Aoife Austin, Jo Campbell, Roque Dion, Danny Moll, Jamie Brewer, Gay Bok, Ben Beck, Neil French, Allie Fitzgerald, Alex Balukonis, Nancy Morrisroe, Judy Komarow

**Other:** Sophia Wang (Councilor Flynn’s Office)

**Start:** The meeting commenced at 7:05 PM

**Parks:** **a. Browne Fund Update:** The funds were granted to Bay Village. The next step is for the city to assign a project manager. Residents were assured that the grant does not expire just because a project manager cannot be assigned. In the meantime, there are beautiful new benches in the park.

**b. Dog Park.** Joe Kuranda reported good progress on the dog park. The BPDA met with the BVNA and the owners of the Boston Veterinary Clinic. There is process involved. The dog park is written into the lease with the Blue Man Group, however the Land Disposition Agreement (LDA) for the Blue Man group needs to be tracked down before anything can really move forward. The park needs new mulch.

**Safety: Danny Moll** Crime down.

**Social:** The social committee requested that the Block Party be moved to the 4th Thursday in September. All agreed.

**City Services: Nancy Morrisroe** reported on the city’s new trash contract. New pick up time will be 6am, rather than 7am, effective July 1. There are concerns among neighboring communities that the earlier time will force more people to put trash out at night, attracting trash pickers and rodents. Nancy will monitor the situation and report back.

Councilor Flynn’s office reported that the Arlington St crosswalk is first on the list for contractor bids July 2. More information to come with precise timeline.

**Lic & Planning: a. Motor Mart –** Jamie Brewer (on the IAG) reports that after extended comment period, no additional changes have been presented except for a proposed bike lane on the south side (Revere Hotel) of Stuart St. Concerns about rider safety were voiced, as loading for the eventually 212 Stuart St could cut through the bike lane. Mitigation includes: Security Cameras, Cocoanut grove Memorial, Extensive renovations to the Park. BVNA sent a comment letter at the last comment period. There are continued concerns, especially pedestrian crossing safety and concerns about where commuter buses would idle. A revised letter was suggested.

**b. Nahita:** Request for a limited entertainment license – looking for a zoning variance for live entertainment. Could not be passed down to future owners, if approved. No entry fee, no cover charge, no ticketing. A vote to amend and revise the cooperation agreement was proposed. It would be for very specific live music (small instrumental), which would only be amplified by the existing sound system (noise levels bound by agreement with 100 Arlington).

**VOTE:** Grant Simpson proposes a motion to not oppose the zoning relief request by Liquid Art house LLC, (BDA Nahita) to include a limited entertainment license subject to the cooperation agreement, and to include a 60-day review period. If within that period, any violations to the amended license, or the overall cooperation agreement are observed, the BVNA has the right to request revocation by the Licensing Board of Appeals for non-compliance.

**All in favor, no opposed.**

**c. Mike and Patty’s:** Continued concerns about rats, parking, loitering, access for emergency vehicles, trash, early morning noise and public urination. Residents were expecting the owners to return to the meeting with a plan. Some residents raised the notion that perhaps it is not just Mike & Patty’s that are receiving deliveries – and to look into other businesses, and the school in case they are also in violation.

**Adjournment:** The EC voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned.