

BCI CIVIC MEETING MINUTES
MAY 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes for April 3, 2018 were read and motion to approve as read was made and seconded.

Office Sorrell and Cole introduced themselves as our new foot patrol officers with a brief history of service. They will be covering Brookside, Scottfield, Kimberton, and Todd Estates either on bikes, on foot or in suv's on various days and times. The people with the tent behind the auto shop are gone now. No serious problem in the police report just general traffic stops.

Ms. Dillar handed out her newsletter with area garage sales listed. Also this weekend The Archaeological Festival is being held at Iron Hill. Legislation has passed fines onto tax bills so vacant homes won't have to have liens applied and wait for sale to collect fines. Banks owning vacant homes will have all fines from county code added to their tax bills. Hopefully now they won't just sit on the property for years but sell it. There is a town meeting Tuesday May 15 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Aetna Fire Hall about the 15% increase on property tax and 12% on sewer tax. Ms. Dillar would also be interested in any persons or contractors flipping or repairing homes in the community that are not cordial with the surrounding neighbors.

Bryan Townsend checked with Del Dot and Delmarva about the light at the park & ride beside the basketball court. They can't support changing the light to a timer until the current light goes bad. This light is about 13 years old. Question of possible turning the light off came up and Delmarva would have to check with Del Dot about the bus schedule for those Dart bus stops at that intersection. Bryan will let us know if a decision is made.

Ed Osienski reported that Dart did some landscaping in front of the park & ride. Mulching and planting several trees. The stop signs were put in at Chippendale, Chaucer, Montvale & Meadow. The pot hole on the Brookside Boulevard was patched. The traffic study done on Rt.4 and N. & S. Kingston showed they cannot change the light to a flashing red light. There is a School Board Election on May 8th from 10 to 8 p.m. at any school. Two trees on Marrows Rd. Need to be taken down now and the rest can be removed as needed or Del Dot can remove all of them at the same time. Ed's office will sent out letters to those homes for their opinions.

The president answered questions from last months meeting.

1. The bulk rate permit is only to be used for the statements and the Brooksider. The cost of printing the permit on the envelopes would only save \$39.00 and we already had envelopes available. Purchasing a rubber stamp would have cost more than the \$39.00. She will address this issue again when the next statements are to go out.
2. Question was are the tax assessments being raised, it was in the minutes. No they are not being raised and it wasn't in the minutes. There was a statement in the Spring issue of the Brooksider due to added expenses from an on going investigation maybe we would have to find another funding to support those expenses.
3. Who was our new attorney an when did the old one leave? Michael Morton is our new attorney and he started February 23, 2018. The old attorney left October 23, 2017. Due to the change to the board in September and the end of the year plus the holidays. Should or shouldn't we get one quick or wait and get a good one. There were no open issues that would create a problem not having one over the holidays and there was nothing in the by-laws stating we could not be without representation.

4. Amnesty Day was brought up. It was September 15, 2017. We took in \$3500.00. It was discussed in our October meeting and is on our website.
5. The audit or committee was brought up. The audit was discussed at length last month. The president checked in the office and put all the audits professional and non professional ones on the website. There was only one audit done by a audit committee and that was from the last board. A committee is to be in place and may periodically conduct an audit.

The car show is on Father Day, June 17th and we need volunteers to park cars, 50/50's, pass out flyers. Come to the building the night before to stuff bags. Ms. Dillar recommended using teenagers for school credits. Anyone knows vendors have them call the office.

There will be no meeting till September 4, 2018. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara Smith