

## CHARTLEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Executive Board Meeting 04/09/2024 Trade Name expires 5/31/2027

**Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome Guests** – meeting started at 7:00pm.

Attendees: Crystal Micriotti, Mary Molinaro, Tina Sevik, Sue Dalrymple, Diane Harding-Allen, Ernie Schmidhauser, Joe Kirby, Dave Powers. Jane and Bob Hienz, Chris Yambor, Steve Etzine Guest: George Vintz (Past CNA President of 2003- 2005)

**Approval of February 2024 Board Meeting Minutes** – motion made to Approve the minutes as written by Diane, Dave 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mary requested an amendment regarding music on Mainstreet duplication typo.

**Discussion of concern** – The number of tractor-trailers on Gwynwest road is an ongoing problem. Now 18 wheelers are parked and loaded. The weight is not acceptable for parked trailers. George Vintz, a CNA neighbor asked the board if he could represent CNA to contact the lieutenant of police to request giving out tickets for everyday the trucks are parked illegally. The Board discussed resolutions such as asking the state to have a trucking rest stop, or to add a piece of land for trucks to park.

#### Main concerns -

- Road's deteriorating
  - Last paved 2005 2006
- Responsibility and respect for the community.
  - o Safety concerns: parked trucks narrow public roads.
  - o Blocks CNA sign.
  - o Causes eye sores.

Ernie made a motion to allow the neighbor to represent CNA, Tina 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and all are in favor.

# Officers' Reports

- President Crystal Micriotti
  - Nothing to report.
- Vice President Sue Dalrymple
  - Nothing to report.
- Treasurer Tina Sevik
  - o The budget will presented at the General Board Meeting as is.
- Secretary Diane Harding-Allen -
  - Permits were processed for the Spring Bling. Road block permit received March 18,
    2024. Gathering permit still processing.
- Immediate Past President Joe Kirby -
  - Nothing to report.

## Committee Reports

- **Real Estate Mary Muth** Not in attendance.
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> generations are moving back to the CNA neighborhood.

 Stacy will be our new Realtor. She will be our guest speaker at the General Board Meeting.

### • **Block Captains – Brad Sharpless** – Not in attendance

 Joe will be working with Brad for on-time delivery with the Chatter. Joe will step in if there are any issues.

### • Membership – Betsy Sloan –

- o We currently have 159 for 2023/2024
- o QR codes for membership are on CNA signs around the neighborhood.

#### • Newsletter – Bob Hienz

- eChatter next deadline May14<sup>th</sup> for the May eChatter
  Chatter Timeline Completed Delivery will take place by 7/1.
  Advertising Update Jane Heinz
- Ads will now be available in the eChatter.

#### -Sign Maintenance – Jane Hienz

- o Suggestion to create mini signs that say welcome to Chartley.
- Quote received to move Gwynwest sign. A motion will be made at the General Board to incorporate the fee.

### • Police Rep./C.O.P. – Dave Powers

**Crime in Chartley-** Chartley residents reported 4 crimes in our community during March. This brings our Year-to-Date total to 9 as compared to 4 for the same period of time last year. The 4 crimes reported in March are as follows:

- Two Non-Domestic Assaults both on Bond Ave-the first was reported on 3/4/24 at 3:18 PM in the 200 Blk of Bond Ave; the 2<sup>nd</sup> was reported on 3/14/24 at 5:58 PM in the 300 Blk of Bond Ave
- One Breaking and Entering (Home Burglary)-3/7/24 at 8:08 AM in the 200 Blk of Bond Ave
- One Theft-3/7/24 at 8:57 AM in the 400 Blk of Highmeadow Rd

**Note:** In analyzing crime reports over the past 24 years and my discussions with the police over that time, I think the 2 non-domestic assaults on Bond Ave on Mar 4<sup>th</sup> and Mar 14<sup>th</sup> involved juveniles.

**Note:** As a reminder, most residential burglaries take place on weekdays between the hours of 10:OO AM and 2 PM. This is the time frame when home owners are away at work and children are in school.

**Note:** A non-domestic assault was reported on Mar 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:43 PM at the corner of Deacon Brook Circle and Gwynwest. Digging down into this report indicates that it actually took place on the Chartleytowne Apts side of Gwynwest Rd which leads me to believe that this incident was associated with the apts, particularly in view of the increasing number of such assaults that have been reported in that section of Chartleytowne since January. Consequently, I am charging that to Chartleytowne instead of Chartley.

## PCRC Meeting 3/19/24

### Capt. Jamerison's Report:

- YTD total crimes down 13% so far, for example
  - 1. Robberies down 34%
  - 2. Shoplifting down 12%
- Sadly though, Auto theft is up 64% YTD, but seems to be dropping the past 2 weeks prior to the PCRC meeting
- Officer shortage in Baltimore is approximately 250 officers. Precinct 3 is short 23 officers. In addition, Precinct 3 has 3 officers that will be retiring soon, and 3 more on medical leave. So the real shortage is currently 29 positions that are currently nit available to be on assignment.

Guest Speakers: Baltimore County Circuit Court Judges

- James Rhodes
- Mark DeSimones
- Note: 2 other County Circuit Court Judges were also invited to attend, but had to cancel
  - 1. Circuit Court Judges first apply for an judgeship by applying online for the position...application is reviewed. If denied, it is usually for some shortcoming the reviewers found in the applicant, who then needs to work to show improvement in that area to meet the criteria.
  - 2. When accepted, the new judge must run in the next election, but, if elected can serve for the next 15 years. After that, must run for re-election.
  - 3. Majority of cases sent to Circuit Court are felony and divorce cases
  - 4. Any citizen can always ask a judge anything by sending him/her a letter...citizen be assured of a reply
  - 5. Circuit Court proceedings are always open to the public
  - 6. Can find out what cases are being tried each day by Googling Baltimore County Daily Docket
  - 7. **Question asked**: Why are so many people who are arrested for a crime released without any penalty whatsoever? It seems as if we hear every day about one of these people committing even more serious crimes soon upon release.
    - Judge Rhodes responded that most of the time the decision to sentence someone is taken out of the judge's hands by the prosecution. For example, most such cases are the result of a plea deal between the prosecution and the defense. The judge doesn't have to accept such deals, but when the prosecution supports it with good reason, the judge usually goes along with the recommendation. In other instances, the prosecution drops charges because the case is too expensive to pursue, or the prosecution tells the judge that there is a lack of sufficient evidence to convict.

**Note:** More people attended this PCRC Meeting than normally, and more than our CNA General Meetings

**Note:** The information provided by the attending judges was informative and was well received by the meeting attendees. Recommend that we consider inviting Judge Rhodes to our October General Meeting as our Guest Speaker.

# Officer Appreciation Day-June 8th

In the past, CNA has always donated to OAD. For the past several years we have donated \$50 to this event.

Dave Powers-Motion to approve CNA donating \$ 50.00 to the PCRC at Precinct 3 for Officer Appreciation Day, Jane 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor.

#### Reisterstown Main Street - Mary Molinaro

- The Business Roundtable was held this morning. Jon Weiner, owner of Maryland China talked about the history of his business. He is 5<sup>th</sup> generation with the business.
- o Flyers were handed out for the Spring Main Street events "Bloomin' ArtFest" will be held 5/14 from 10am − 5pm. Think Sunshine. "Beer & Wine Festival" will be June 1<sup>st</sup> from noon − 5pm− tickets are still at a reduced rate but will be \$40/\$15 on the day of the event.
- Façade Improvement Grants continue to be offered to businesses and property owners to make the buildings appealing to bring new businesses to some of the vacant areas.
- Historic plaques are being unveiled in the Spring to 14 properties. The next event is scheduled for April 20th.
- o Heritage Trail signs are in production and should be installed end of May or early June.
- Kinetic Sculpture is being done by the same person who did the 6 Wagon Wheel bike racks, and it should also be installed Spring 2024
- Farmers Markets start Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> and every Sunday until September 29<sup>th</sup> from 9am-1pm @ FMS Main Street lawn
- Music on Main Street concerts start Friday June 21<sup>st</sup> and every Friday until August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30pm 9:30pm @ FMS Main Street lawn.
- Scholarship update Chris Yambor Nothing to report
- Webmaster/Social Media Kaycee Wright –Nothing to report.
- Zoning/Traffic Looking for a chairperson
  - Water leak fixed.
  - o Street cleaning took place April 1, 2024.
  - o Leaves need to be removed from drains on Glen Granite Road

## Special Events & Reports

- **Stream clean** Largest and most effective clean ever.
- 36 bags of litter removed from streams.
  - o First ever: Green poop bags collected and removed from trees during stream clean.

# Upcoming Business –

- o **Urban Trees Mini-Grant Program** Nothing to Report
- o The 2024 application has been submitted. Please think about locations and trees.
- NNO
  - o Spreadsheet created to keep count of vendor participation
  - o Chic Fil A will be participating from the Reisterstown store.
  - o Confirmed announcer from the senior center. He has his own equipment.
  - o Still working on mascots to participate this year.
- Bike Rodeo
  - o May 18, 2024, 10:00 AM through 1:00 PM
- Crab feast
  - o Oct 26, 2024
  - We need to sell lots of tickets. Tickets will be sold at the Beer & Wine Festival and at Music on Main Street.
- **Spring Bling** Will be held on June 15, 2024
  - o A new budget will be proposed at the general meeting.

## New Business –

- 2024 Fundraisers
  - o Bingo Night with the Senior center –Details will be advertised in the CNA Chatter

## Thank you -

Adjourn at 9:11 pm. Minutes taken by Diane Harding-Allen