Western Montgomery County Citizens Advisory Board
April 18, 2022, 7:00 pm

Minutes

Members Present: Kristen Nelson, Timur Edib, Brendan Mckay, Katya Marin, Mark Rittenberg, Elizabeth Kellar, Jennifer Rostami, Vashti Wav Wyke, Angela Bradley

Guests Present: Peter Fosselman, TJ Dant, Councilmember Evan Glass, Joshua Lash, Cindy Gibson, Lisa Mandel-Trupp, Fire and Rescue Service Chief Scott Goldstein, Fire and Rescue Service Division Chief Michael Kelley

1. Welcome – Chair Nelson 7:00pm

2. Council Member Check-In 7:05pm
   a. County Council Member Evan Glass, At-large
      • Moment of silence for Bethesda child who died in car collision.
      • Member asks what are the best lessons we learned through COVID. Council members answers cutting red tape and fast tracking govt services.
      • Member asks to include certain path on Wilson Lane in capital improvement plan.
      • Member asks about improvements to the Capital Crescent Trail.
      • Member asks about Norfolk Ave Streeter staying permanently.
      • Member mentions safety issues regarding school bus stops.
      • Council member mentions believing Public transit buses should be free.

3. Guest Speaker 7:35pm
   1. Fire and Rescue Service Chief, Scott E. Goldstein
• Chief presents on services and statistics related to fire rescue.
• Member asks question on state legislation requiring retrofitting high-rises with sprinkler systems.
• Member asks if Fire/Rescue coordinates on flooding issues with other departments.
• Members express and offer support for Fire and Rescue.

4. Reports – 8:05pm
   1. Bethesda Urban Partnership – Katya Marin
      • Updates on Rat control and programming

2. RSC Director, Pete Fosselman
   • Coordinated bus drop off zones for Kidmuseum
   • Update on state infrastructure investments
   • Update on White Flint path to Metro site
   • Update on Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition and testimony

3. Urban District Manager, TJ Dant
   • Rat control contract for the Urban District will be sent to procurement this week
   • HHS town hall on April 27th
   • Garage 49 Elevator and water membrane repair update
   • Working in coordination with DPS to address right of way issues with restaurant seating encroaching in the sidewalk.
   • Bike to Work Day May 20th
   • Arts & Entertainment district redesignation application sent in to the state with full support from the county.
   • Resolved constituent issues regarding hole hazard, downed street signs, sediment run off, and refugee legal services.
   • Norfolk Streetery design update
• Updates on maintenance and landscaping
• Bethesda Film Festival April 29th & 30th
• Woodmont Garage mural work starting April 25th
• Bethesda Fine Arts Festival May 14 & 15th

5. Housekeeping Items
   1. CAB Membership Renewals and Nominees
   2. Nominations and Votes for CAB Representation on other County Committees
      • Department of Permitting Services Committee
        • Cab recommends Elizabeth Kellar to committee
      • White Flint Downtown Advisory Committee
        • Cab recommends Timur Edib to committee

6. From the Public Forum – 8:25pm
   • No Comments

7. Adjourn – 8:30pm
Chair: Kristen Nelson
Secretary: Mark Rittenberg
Director: Peter Fosselman

Vice Chair: Vashti Van Wyke,
Chair Emeritus: Katya Marin
Urban District Manager: Thomas Dant

Communities
Bethesda - Cabin John - Chevy Chase - Friendship Heights - Garrett Park
Glen Echo - North Bethesda - Pike District - Rockville