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December 10, 2013 Buffington RE/MAX Olney Community Room 3300 Olney-Sandy Spring Road

7:30 I. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Introductions (Name, Association, Representative/Alternate/Guest)
- 2. Approval of November Minutes/Agenda

7:35 II. PUBLIC COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Update on Olney Library David Dise, Director of the Department of General Services

7:45 III. NEW BUSINESS

1. Comparison of current zoning and proposed rezoning in Olney (see page 2 for info)

Pamela Dunn, Park & Planning Meredith Wellington, Past Planning Board Commissioner

8:45 V. OFFICERS/COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

- 1. President's Report (see page 2 of agenda)
- 2. Correspondence Report
- 3. Chamber of Commerce Report (www.olneymd.org)
- 4. Olney Town Center Advisory Committee Report
- 5. Membership Report
- 6. Treasurers Report (2014 budget)
- 7. Nomination Committee Report
- 8. Civic Federation Report (www.montgomerycivic.org)
- 9. Transportation Report

9:30 VI. ADJOURNMENT

Barbara Falcigno Greg Intoccia Joe Buffington Helene Rosenheim John Webster Ruth Laughner Matt Zaborsky Arnie Gordon Paul Jarosinski



President's Report

I would like to thank Bob Beard for his service as GOCA Liaison to the Olney Town Center Advisory Committee. I have appointed Kathy Curtis to take his place.

The Olney and Sandy Spring Lions are raising money to replace all of the American flags displayed on Georgia Ave on many holidays. MidCounty Board started this years ago and Fletchers have replaced the flags a few times. The estimated costs is between \$2300 and \$2800. So far \$800 has been raised. They are also looking for folks to join their committee. Contacts can be found at http://www.olneylionsclub.com or http://sandyspringlions.com

GOCA has been asked to have members serve on two different Community Outreach Committees. The first is with Our Lady of Good Counsel High School. They will likely meet only 2-3 times a year and they will address any concerns with transportation, noise, or any other interaction with the adjacent community. The second is the Community Liaison Committee with Medstar Montgomery Medical Center. They meet twice a year and discuss the impact hospital activities and future development has on adjacent communities. They met on December 3 and will likely meet again in May/June.

Our Lady of Good Counsel High School's original site plan approval included a Performing Art Center. It was not built at the time due to budget restraints. They now are ready to move forward and they can build it under the original approval. As they reviewed their plans, they saw space they could use in the vaulted space behind the stage as classroom space. This does not change the footprint of the building but does surpass the original square footage approval requiring a site plan amendment.

All GOCA Representatives should have received a test ballot for voting. If this test ballot is successful, then voting for the 2013 GOCA Awards will be done electronically. Please let Matt Zaborsky or Barbara Falcigno know if you did not receive an email with a link to the voting. We are using Survey Monkey.

Given the impact Rapid Transit will have on the Olney area, I am looking for 5-7 folks willing to research the topic and follow developments. This is a long term commitment as the process will take several years.

For those that missed the County Council's October 23 forum for HOAs, Condo, and Civic Associations, it is available to watch on the web. Link is in: <u>http://mccouncil.blogspot.com/2013/11/leaders-of-hoas-condo-associations.html</u>

Link for MD Bill MC5-14 (Archery safety zone of 50 yds) that will be discussed at the January meeting: http://montgomerycountydelegation.com/documents/MC5-14.pdf

New Business

The response by the Montgomery County Planning Department to Councilmember Elrich's Powerpoint Presentation outlining his concerns over the zoning rewrite (in black are Elrich's concerns, in red is the response):

http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/viewer.shtm#http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/development/zoning/ documents/LettertoPHED.pdf