

Executive Board Meeting Minutes  
August 26th, 2014

**CALL TO ORDER**

President John Webster called the general session meeting to order at 8:58p.m., and the GOCA representatives, alternates, and members of the public then introduced themselves. A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 2014 minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously with a minor amendment to include state representatives that were in attendance at the May meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the August agenda. The August agenda was approved unanimously

**PUBLIC COMMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Following announcements were made:

This weekend Georgia Avenue will be closed to auto traffic for the Brookeville Bicentennial.

Med Star Montgomery is looking for volunteers to help with a community health needs assessment. Contact GOCA president for more information.

**OFFICERS/COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**

1. Traffic Camera Task Force: John Webster stated that next month the Traffic Camera Task Force will provide an update on their progress. They will not have completed their task but will provide some details and the process they are following.
2. Mid-County Citizen's Advisory Board, Greg Intoccia stated that this group did not meet and there was nothing to report.
3. Chamber of Commerce Report ([www.olneymd.org](http://www.olneymd.org)) Joe Buffington reported that National Night was very successful. The Chamber's next meeting will be September 9<sup>th</sup> discussing the BRT. Please contact Joe Buffington with any feedback.
4. Olney Town Center Advisory Committee, Jim Smith reported on meeting that was held on 7/29. BRT and Chick-Fil-A were discussed. Over 100 people were in attendance and very spirited. Both State and County officials were in attendance. Discussion on the creation of Special Taxing districts specific to businesses. Creating a citizen action committee was discussed.
5. Library Advisory Committee , Della Dorsey clarified that the advisory board represents the community to the library.
6. Medstar Community Meeting Report, Bob Reel reported that the twice annual meeting occurred in June. Operating rooms are being updated with additional doctors' offices in the hospital. A new radiology wing had a ribbon cutting June 30<sup>th</sup>. Medstar is paying for the intersection upgrade at Georgia and Old Baltimore. Medstar is considering plans for expansion on their west campus, behind the thrift store. The county is requiring a transit center for local buses. There is not a design at this point.

8. Transportation Committee Report, John Webster reported on the new charter for the transportation committee. 18 people applied to be on the TC. All Olney residents were welcomed to apply. Applicants were asked to fill out a form identifying their positions on transportation issues, how long they have lived in Olney. Diversity of views is important. There will be a code of conduct dealing with conflict of interest. The officers are working through the list to get a manageable number. One of the 1<sup>st</sup> items will be to create a priority list to be provided to local and state officials.

Delegate Eric Luedtke has intervened to get the Dr Bird repaving project completed this fall.

Barbara Falcigno reported on the MDOT CTP (Consolidated Transportation Program). She talked about those projects that the state plans to fund between 2014 through 2019. Brookeville By-Pass has been funded. The 97/28 intersection is mentioned from a planning and engineering perspective but not beyond P and E. Barbara is asking for clarification. No state money is captured for BRT from Wheaton to Olney.

John Webster read a statement from WMATA regarding service changes effective August 24<sup>th</sup>. Jackie and Dan Benn provided details on the changes to the bus routes. The Georgia Ave bus line is the 4<sup>th</sup> busiest line in the WMATA system. Options to get into Olney have been reduced. The changes are new, and they will provide an updated report at the next meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

### **Respectfully submitted,**

Matt Quinn, Recording Secretary

### **GOCA Executive Board**

John Webster, President -Manor Oaks, Greg Intoccia, Executive Vice President - Ashley Hollow  
Yale Tankus, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - Oak Grove, Bob Reel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Victoria Springs  
Matt Quinn, Recording Secretary – Cherrywood, Jackie Benn, Corresponding Secretary - Fair Hill Farm  
Kathy Curtis, Treasurer - Lake Hollowell. Barbara Falcigno (Immediate Past President, Olney Oaks),

John Blachere (Ashley Hollow), Dave Wang(Ashley Hollow), Dave Rada (Brooke Manor Estates),  
Mary Kerr (Brookville Knolls) Helene Rosenheim (Past President, Highlands), Paul Jarosinski  
(Cherrywood) Jenni Davis (Cherrywood), Kevin Mahoney (Cherrywood) Jodi Finkelstein (Hollowell),  
Howard Greif (Lake Hollowell), Troy Kimmel (Lake Hollowell), Leisa Sarecky (Manor Oaks), Larry  
Solomon (Norbeck Grove), Ed Weisel (Norbeck Meadows) Alma Hinton (Olney Oaks), Ed Weisel  
(Norbeck Meadows), Andrea Keller (Fair Hill Farm), Danny Benn (Fair Hill Farm), Sharon  
Dooley(James Creek), Louis Saporito (James Creek), Ann Marie Saporito (James Creek), Jim Smith  
(Oatland Farm), Lee Lofthus (Oatland Farm), Rohonda Tinney (Olney Acres), Diana Littlefield (Olney  
Acres), Bill Calmoeris ((Olney Mill), Carolyn Knight (Olney Oaks), Stacy Levine (Reserve at Fair  
Hill), Meg Pease-Fye (SEROCA), Alden English (SEROCA), Ruth Laughner (Williamsburg Village)  
Matt Zaborski (Norbeck Meadows), Joe Corbett (Williamsburg Village)

**Invited Guests**

Terri Hogan (The Gazette),

**Public**

Joe Fritsch, Sam Fenati, Hector Orhz Jessica brill Ortiz, Joe Buffington, Della Dorsey, Alyci Ortizar, Bryan Kerrigan, Pat Fenati, Michael Ostroff