

Executive Board Meeting Minutes
September 9th, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

President John Webster called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.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.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the August agenda. The August agenda was approved with one vote against and one abstention.

PUBLIC COMMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made:

GOCA is in need of a volunteer for the Montgomery County Civic Fed. Please email the GOCA president (gocapresident@gmail.com).

On September 18th there will be planning meeting for the Farquhar Middle School project.

A question was raised as to why the GOCA agenda from July, 2014 was removed from the GOCA website. The meeting from July was canceled because of a power outage, which resulted in the meeting never being called to order.

BRT RESOLUTION

Lee Lofthus presented a power point presentation on combining three resolutions into one resolution. This was concerning GOCA's position on the BRT, Special Taxing districts and the grade separated intersection at routes 97 & 28. There was much discussion. A motion was made and seconded to accept the resolution. Much discussion followed. The following motions to amend were made, and all had a unique second. Discussion occurred after each motion was made:

Motion one: Add, in clause 1, that GOCA was opposed to all options except the "No Build" option. This motion passed by a vote of 20 for, 13 against with 3 abstentions.

Motion two: Modify the first "whereas clause" to state that the "SHA has not demonstrated that the Georgia Ave corridor BRT, to the Olney area, will improve mobility". This motion passed with 26 for and 11 against with 1 abstention.

Motion three: Add to the 3rd "whereas clause" the Olney Chamber of Commerce resolution to the GOCA resolution. This motion passed with 31 for, 5 against and 2 abstentions.

Motion four: Include in its entirety, the Olney Chamber of Commerce resolution to the GOCA resolution. This motion was withdrawn. The Chamber's letter will be added as part of the packet.

Motion five: Remove clauses 2, 3 and 5. This motion failed by a vote of 2 for and 37 against with no abstentions.

Motion six: Add to resolve clause number 2 “SHA to include in their modeling study pass-through traffic from all directions”. This motion passed with 27 for, 4 against and 4 abstentions.

Motion seven: Add, “whereas the May 14th SHA BRT Design Alternatives ignore the 2005 Olney Master Plan.” This motion passed with 24 for and 6 against and 5 abstentions.

The final resolution was voted on, including the additional amendments. This passed, as amended, with 32 for and 4 against.

CHICK-FIL-A PROPOSAL

Stacy Silber presented on the proposed Chick-Fil-A development plan. The presentation was thorough. Questions were asked around pedestrian traffic, outside seating being effected by idling cars and parking.

TRAFFIC CAMERA TASK FORCE REPORT

Gary Manion provided a report on the work performed by the traffic camera task force. The task force is still waiting for information and will provide a final report with recommendations later this year.

OFFICERS/COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

A motion was made and seconded that officer and committee reports be moved to the next meeting because of the late hour. This was approved unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Quinn, Recording Secretary

GOCA Executive Board

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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 Calomeris ((Olney Mill), Carolyn Knight (Olney
Oaks), Stacy Levine (Reserve at Fair Hill), Meg Pease-Fye (SEROCA), Alden English (SEROCA),
Ruth Laughner (Williamsburg Village), Matt Zaborsky (Norbeck Meadows), Joe Corbett (Williamsburg
Village)

Invited Guests

Terri Hogan (The Gazette),

Public

Frank Howard, Attaf Laichani, Nina Uzick Barbara Ray, Art Brodsky, Mike Kekaminski, Vivan Malloy, Debi Klein, Kevin Mell, Jim Stewann, Joe Fritch, Karen Montgomery, Jerry Simpson, Mary Maddein, Carol Sullivan, Chris Gosselin, Natalie Gosselin, Jeff Vinson, Tracy Schmelter, Kevin Gibb, Kathleen Donodeo, Joe Buffington, Gary Manion, Kevin Glasse, Bette Demarest, Bruce Herzig, Frank Sparber, Monica Sparber, Pratish Dhokia, Alis Reed, Barry Kessler, Larry Laren, Nancy Caplan, Pat Fenati, Michael Ostroff, James Ruby