

Greater Olney Civic Association
Draft Minutes
2022-11-08 Representatives Meeting

The 2022-11-08 Representatives Meeting of the Greater Olney Civic Association (GOCA) was held in-person at Cadence at Olney and online via Zoom and called to order at 7:43PM EST by President Helene Rosenheim, with Recording Secretary Thomas Canavan not present. A quorum was present.

Those attending were:

GOCA Officers: President Helene Rosenheim (Highlands of Olney), (Norbeck Meadows), 1st Vice President Curtis Chappell (Olney Square), 2nd Vice President Matt Quinn, Treasurer Jeff Duce (Norbeck Grove), Corresponding Secretary Jamie Goad (Norbeck Meadows),

Representatives: Barbara Falcigno (Olney Oaks), Alden English (SEROCA), Kelly Wasik (Tanterra), Maria Bender (Brookeville Knolls), Mike Dickerson (Olney Oaks), Edward Weisel (Norbeck Meadows), Paul Jaronsinski (Cherrywood), Art Brodsky (Cherrywood),

Guests: Judy Hruz (Greater Olney News), Bonnie Schneider, Teri Hogan (Olney Chamber of Commerce)

The agenda of the 2022-11-08 representatives meeting was approved as amended
The minutes of the 2022-09-13 and 2022-10-11 representative meeting were approved as presented

Announcements

- Operation Green Light in support of Veteran's Day Nov 7-13 by installing green lights in your window
- Magruder ROTJC fundraiser is selling 2022 White House ornaments for \$25

Welcome to New MCPD District 4 Commander Capt. David Smith, Commander

The new commander and D4 staff was not present due to elections. We will reschedule.

Resurfacing of Rte. 108 in Olney TBD

Beginning November 3rd through the summer of 2023 repairing, cleaning, reconstructing driveways, pedestrian ramp, and installing new pavement markings. 3.7 miles. We will invite a representative from SHA to answer specific questions about the project to the December meeting.

Reports

- Treasurer's Report, Jeff Duce, Treasurer
 - Next month renewal forms will go out and forms will be fillable with online payments.
 - Reducing number of PO BOX's to save funds
 - GOCA now has a debit card
 - Two banner rentals last month for 5 days each
 - Renewed D&O insurance and general liability
 - In December budget will be presented to GOCA members for approval
- Transportation Committee, John Seng, Chair
 - Thanks to Mindy Baden and other members who wrote questions for D7 candidates

- Members attended a meeting about the RT 108 resurfacing project that provided answers to some of the questions
- Following up with police substation on some hotspots in Olney
- Virtual hearing scheduled for November 9th with Montgomery County Transportation to add sidewalk on Old Baltimore Rd.
- Public Policy & Community Affairs, Helene Rosenheim
 - Alden had mentioned Olney Manor Park property expansion on Emory Road and Helene reached out to the park manager. He indicated there were no proposals underway and would forward any updates from the managers of the project and would update us if there were any movement
 - Need to build committee and identify a new chair
- 2022 GOCA Awards Nominations, Helene Rosenheim
 - We are planning to have an in-person ceremony in March. All nominations due by January to be presented and voted on at February meeting. Individuals, groups, business that have made a significant contribution to the community.
 - A fillable form will be available on our website and an email notification will be sent out
- Olney Chamber of Commerce, Terri Hogan, Exec. Dir
 - Busy with new members, 80 new members
 - Big project, total refresh of interior of Olney substation such as flooring, paint, window treatments, and landscaping. Will be dedicated in memory of Ofc. Noah Leotta
 - Community Night in October has been postponed to April 10th at Good Council to not be so close to National Night Out
 - GOCA members are invited as guests to the free networking events
- Olney Civic Fund, Barbara Falciagno
 - Olney Days will be the last weekend on April 28th-30th
 - Request for proposals from a non-profit group to help put and take down tents that will receive \$2,000 for performing the service.
 - Due to success of Olney Days, they will be able to provide up to \$20,000 in grants will be provided in 2023. Projects must support the Olney community. Applications will be due in December.
 - Will present grants to the recipients at the GOCA Awards Ceremony

Old Business

None

New Business

Motion put forth by Vice President Matt Quinn passed unanimously to approve a resolution supporting the Montgomery County Council's antisemitism resolution by submitting a letter from the GOCA President to the County Council and County Executive was passed.

Calendar Items

- Next Officers' Meeting – Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 7:00 PM
- Next Transportation Committee Meeting - TBD
- Next General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 7:30 PM at the Cadence at Olney & Zoom
- Deadline for Nominations for 2022 GOCA Awards – January 10, 2023. Go to www.goca.org for information on submitting nominations or submit in writing to GOCA, PO BOX 212, Olney, MD 20830

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM EST
Thomas Canavan, Recording Secretary