

Boston Harbor Association

May 1, 2023

Monthly Meeting Notes- All members in attendance and Guest Ellen Greenaway

1. Call to order- Jeff Salazar, President at 6:31 pm at the Marina
2. Approve Last Meeting Minutes- Only addition is that there was No response from Commissioner Mejia about the proposed April 20th Meeting per Jeff. Nina proposed to accept the minutes with that addition, Larissa seconded, and the Minutes were unanimously approved.
3. President's Update- Including Membership Count- two new since the last meeting 53- discussed sending Welcome Package/ Postcard & Introduced Ellen with Neighborhood Watch – our desire to evolve into more of a Community Action Group- with defining our limitations. Jeff mentioned hearing ideas from Kyle Cox about a BH Triathlon – great idea with Kayaking leg- discussion about starting small and possibly a relay-style event with teams.

Ellen Greenaway brought up a dispute between the Pratts and Cox families. Haylie remained silent and soon removed herself from the room, which was the respectful thing to do. Jeff explained to Ellen that while we are compassionate about the issues between neighbors, we (BHA) have no authority to enter the conflict and reiterated that decision had been made in February's meeting.

Joyce made the motion to write a letter between the parties Bjorn seconded and the Board unanimously agreed to write a letter to be sent to both neighbors. **Trailing information: That letter was approved by all the Board members on May 3rd, and we hope this brings the issue to a close.**

4. Sponsorships- Just a couple logos were needed, members to follow up, and the Sponsorship for the Banners is full! Great Job group and especially Nina for keeping the spreadsheet & working with the banner provider.
5. Treasurers Report was inserted here by Nancy Brown- great job Nancy on the Income & Expense Report.
6. **June 4th 10 am Bike Safety Rodeo with Trek Bikes at Boston Harbor Elementary: Volunteers needed-** Joyce is chairing- Trek is leading- BHA members to participate.
7. **July 3rd Bike Parade: Jeff reported that No Board Insurance can be obtained for the July 3rd Bike Parade because the participants are moving. Joyce shared a waiver that we will need for each child. Larissa suggested that we give use bracelets to identify which kids have turned in their waiver. Byron St BBQ idea presented by Larissa to gain greater Community involvement and the waivers signed- Board voted by email May 4th as a go for the idea- Date TBD**
8. Garage Sale Date- First Weekend in August 5&6-

9. Old Business- Plaque Fundraising – it was decided to wait until after our events in July.
10. New Business- Prioritization & Adoption of Ideas: quarterly outreach & mailing a post card to the community approved. Action: Get one out asap for reminder that family members can get recognition on the website for a donation of \$100, upcoming events & invites. Nina moved that we approve the expense, Larissa seconded – Kate opposed- “lots of money” about \$500 but the rest of the Board approved the expense. Trailing information: Joyce produced a draft of the postcard & presented it to the board by email. Date for Byron ST BBQ needs to be set and postcard needs to be completed & mailed.

Action: Jackie to draft grant from City of Olympia to cover the cost of quarterly mailing expenses & other optional Board expenses- like Microsoft Teams- QuickBooks.

11. Adjourned- Next Meeting June 5th 6:30pm at the Marina