RNA Meeting 10/29/18

Board members present: jon, anne, rachel, shannon, rebecca, jackson

Members: 32

No November meeting. Next meeting is Dec 17, 2018 w/ holiday cookie contest COP walk is next week (every month)

Public safety/ crime (Shannon- committee head since 2003)

- Mike and Jeff (riverside residents) will be taking over the position of committee heads
- BCPD report- 2 agg. Assaults, larceny, robbery, 9 stolen autos
- still have robbery unit in place in the neighborhood
- Halloween plans are in place
- if you leave your keys in the car, and you get a ticket, your car insurance gets a copy of ticket sent from department and it can effect your insurance

Community Support Program- Ross McNutt and Archie...

- "Eye in the sky" aims to bring technical solutions to community issues
- started in the middle east as related to ieds
- now working with cities with crime problems
- goal is to reduce crime 20%-30% within the first year and hold police accountable during crime response
- it used by Baltimore City at no cost for 3 years (donation) working with a special police unit, UB unit providing legal oversight
- big part of the goal is to get the word out as a deterrence
- re: civil liberties issues- 3 month roll out to convince the community and to be 100% transparent with the city
- surveillance and data is kept until the last person involved is released from prison
- Thiru's (State's attny candidate) notes: frustration with political gridlock related to subject, and do not defend past roll outs. This program is very valuable to Baltimore. There are seriously Constitutional issues related to this program. US Supreme Court case is related. There is a solution that is similar to wire taps policy that is a compromise (op ed in the sun this year). This is a "leap frog" program (ie: fingerprinting, dna)

BGE- Aaron and James and field energy savers program representatives

- part of the campaign to encourage residents to keep your lights on all night
- promoting energy star appliances and rebates back to BGE customers
- indoor and outdoor flood lights are included (LED)
- working with the MD food bank, lowes, dollar tree and general, home depot- look for BGE sticker for rebates and discounts on purchases

BCPD Community Safety Meeting report (anne (otterbein), rachel and shannon)

- BCPD meetings are every 3rd Thursday of the month, open to the public
- ask questions, meet the officers, there are guest speakers
- October Meeting: call 911 (not 311), stay on the line and wait for operator, cherry hill community voiced concerns related to home burglaries.
- Southern District has a reduced number of patrols currently
- there are 9 districts in the city w/ 3 shifts per day and these are mandatory to be filled

Peninsula Public Safety Meeting (rachel)

- Eric Costello and Team 46 put on the meeting
- better data and communication being put out into the neighborhood from the Southern District
- a small data collection committee is being put together to track data from the arrest throughout the court system to lead towards community impact statements and attending court cases
- need volunteers to follow the crime through to the end

Parking (Jeff)

- revised petition was submitted and approved
- pilot area petitions are available to be signed

Parks Committee (Jackson)

- bird bath project was installed in front of the pool in the circular garden
- history of the park sign is back and mounted at the covington and randall entrance
- Halloween bash was held 10/27 indoors at salem
- 11/3 9-12 pm community wide clean up scheduled in federal hill, LP, and riverside
- community dumpster Saturday 11/3 on johnson
- local residents cleaned up and painted the basketball court
- Gazebo lighting 12/2
- salt boxes are placed throughout the city for residents

Last newsletter is being delivered.

2019 will be digital and some at a few businesses