

RNA 8/26/19

Officers: John, Jackson, Jeff B, Rebecca, and Rachel

Members: 18

Eric Costello no show due to car issues

Parks (Jackson)

It was a great summer in the park and pool!

Last concert- 9/9, 5pm Get Steady + Food trucks

Fall activities:

- Bulb planting in September w/ Civics works
- Halloween Bash planning ongoing – date TBD
- Tree planting in Nov w/ SoBO Green and Fed Hill South

Questions

- Stump grinding? Submit a 311 request, and/or go to [treebaltimore.org](http://treebaltimore.org) to zoom in on your tree stump id#
- 8 inch rule on weeds or city fine
- fallen branches? Submit a 311 request (slower response) or we can move branches into the park and city crews are going through a lot more frequently

Pool (Rebecca)

Great summer! SBGP very happy with our progress and eager to give more money- any ideas? Volunteers wanting to write a grant?

Movie reshow 8/31 7:30-9pm - How to Train Your Dragon

Games on Monday

Dog swim 5-6 Monday 9/2, \$5

DPW (Dr. Nunley) 443-615-2626, [larry.nunley@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:larry.nunley@baltimorecity.gov)

- water bills are coming, being mailed out sporadically
- Water bill increase: good estimate for future bill is your previous bill for May and raise by 10%
- STD for Grandparents Conference 9/12/19 at Morgan State University (free)
- CALL 311 to submit a request for a DPW ticket/issue, then email, call or text him to get details w/ confirmation # and name, address and phone #

Thread (Janel Harvey – Community Events coordinator)

- Create change connecting high school students (currently in 4 HS in city, including 63 students at DHHS and hope to engage 32 more students) engaged in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and then Thread follows them + 10 yrs
- Volunteers are needed to be part of the Thread family- 1 year minimal commitment, once a week contact with either the student or the family
- Create an authentic experience w/ student through everyday life experiences
- Proven outcome results- 85% of students graduate HS, 83% go onto completing a degree of some sort
- City is having a huge social isolation issue and volunteers support each other and the community

- There are 100 south Baltimore volunteers currently

#### Clean Water Action (Jennifer)

- city policy work focusing on sewage backups into resident's homes
- big public health risk and a financial issue for residents
- 2017 the city wrote a consent decree to fix the sewage issues however there are concerns
- main city project was to create a reimbursement program for costs incurred for quicker \$ response however there are a lot of issues with this program and there are limits and rules which are causing issues for residents. Most people are getting denied.
- However, if this happens to you- please apply for the reimbursement program
- Organization has asked for a council investigation on this program and the ongoing issues- TBD

#### Residential Parking Program- Area 48 (Jeff Brown)

- City RPP for Area 48 parking meeting was held on 8/6- summary is in the newsletter. This was the last step before implementation. Possible signs in the ground in Sept/October
- new development is that the city is about to reach an agreement with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party virtual enforcement agency which has a lot of positive aspects
- September deadline to know how this program would work and be available for our area- TBD

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> space updates (Pastor Laurent)

9/5 3<sup>rd</sup> space event at Capt Larrys

#### Public Safety (Rachel)

- Southern District has new major and capt
- next community meeting on 9/19 at 7pm
- RNA public safety walks are changing to quarterly for this upcoming year- stay tuned