

M.I.E.B.A.
Millers Island Edgemere Business Association
Est. 1985
P.O. Box 26, Fort Howard, Maryland 21052
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 20, 2019

Attendees: Pat Carroll, Candi Meyers, Jimmy Meyers, John Shkor and Russ Spangler (18 total members present)

Absent: A. J. Bierman, Carl Hobson, Robert Iman, Buddy McGowan, Mike McKemy, Rose Shkor and Mike Spivey

Minutes: September 18 2019 on table for distribution

Treasure Report(s): Mike Spivey was absent, reported as follows via Jimmy Meyers:

- MIEBA: May \$19,765.04 (last report provided)
- MIEBAC: May 663.32 (last report provided)

Police Report: Officer Christopher Briggs –

291 call with 42 reports written (most of these reports are generated by the officers i.e. general check-ups on various situations and locations), one burglary, it has been extremely quiet. Please continue to be mindful of the time of ear and leaving items in your vehicle in view. Lock you cars etc. and continue to be the eyes in the community.

Speaker(s): Aaron Tomarchio, Sr. Vice President, Tradepoint Atlantic – Aaron presented a slide show of Ariel views of the grounds. Some of the topics he addressed are as follows:

- 22 acres adjacent to community working with Parks and Recreation and Baltimore County to develop off Wharf Road.
- Marine Terminal is being worked on
- Fed Ex being on site has brought more market interest
- Some current businesses on site - Aluma Safeway, Under Armor, Amazon, Floor Décor, Home Depot, Port, Gotham Greens (hydroponics). There are 20 tenants and increasing which has brought 5,000 jobs. Some new business coming are Royal Farm and Off Shore Wind manufacturing.
- Other retail will come later. We need to have a planner that works with retails assist us.
- Environmental clean-up is continuing
- Wharf Road will be under construction during 2020. Once that is complete there will be more planning/resolution regarding the road paths to ease the congestion of traffic. This will include internal signage for way finding as well as ramps/entrances, wider roads and turning issues around the site for better direct access to locations. In addition, working with zip code/GPS coordinates to help with truck driver errors.
- Looking at opportunities for electrical vehicle charging.
- Solar company interest.
- Port modifications will allow manufacturing materials to arrive i.e. marble, lead ingots, coal etc. The use of the rail and trucks will be a big asset.

Committee Reports:

- **Membership**
 - New member “Mini Shop”
 - Membership renewals will be mailed out shortly
- **Big Tickets** - are available tonight. Drawing will be at the Annual Christmas Celebration, December 18.
- **Elections** – Nominations forms are on the front table for the coming year 2020. Please provide, ASAP. Additionally, any member nominated must have agreed to the nomination.
- **Directory** – 1st draft in still in review for additions/deletions. We hope to have no more than three versions before printing.

Old Business: None

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New Business: Board had a recommendation to change the mission statement to include “Eastern Baltimore County” as our service area not limiting it to Essex and Edgemere. Those present agreed with the recommendations.

Prayer Corner:

- Carl Hobson is home under weather.
- Prayers for Rodger Hayden’s family/friends.

Announcements:

- Russ Spangler announced that he has raffle tickets to benefit the Waterman for a Ford Truck, drawing in January, cost \$100/ticket.
- Aaron Tomarchio announced:
 - Star lighting on December 4th, 5:00 p.m., Trade Point Avenue at water tower
 - December 3, 1:30 p.m. an Event Forum for Trade International (will see that Pat gets the invite to send out to the membership)
 - Scott Pappas addressed the group to get letter of support for Todd Crandall to pay attention and honor his original zoning for Fort Howard versus the request from developer to change zoning now instead of waiting for the CZMP process. This needs to be done by the November 29, which is when County Council cast their votes. Scott will forward information to Pat to send to Board for approval.

Meeting Adjourned: Respectfully submitted Patricia Carroll

Next General meeting: **Wednesday, December 18, 2019 (Annual Christmas Dinner)**
 Wednesday, January 15, 2019 (Speaker: Department of Planning)