

**Minutes of the NOTICe Board Meeting**  
**June 12, 2017**  
**Portner's Landing Community Room**

**Attending:** Tom Soapes, Howard Middleton, Agnes Artemel, Anne White-Olson, Fran Zorn, Sgt. Sean Casey (Alexandria police) Bob Quigley, Matt Hennesey, Clarence Tong, and Christa Watters.

The meeting started at 7:30 PM.

The **minutes** were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** There are 146 households, and 218 members. We have \$7,849.68 in the bank.

**Sgt Casey.** No crime trends of note. There was discussion of parking enforcement issues. **1.Parking too close to the curb.** In this part of town, parking enforcement looks at whether car encroaches on the crosswalk or imagined cross walk, and then makes a judgment about whether a car is impeding traffic. **2. Bike lanes:** you can travel in a bike lane if it is attached to a road if there is a reason (making a right turn for example). But if biker in lane or no reason, try to stay out of the lane. The bike lane does not imply right of way for the bike rider. Give bicyclists 3 feet on the passenger side to pass. It's hard to enforce with our streets. **3. Speeding on Pitt Street:** near First St. They will do some more radar enforcement and see whether it merits discussion of a stop sign.

**Vision Zero:** Tom was contacted by a member of NOTICe who was a pedestrian victim of a car accident and is interested in promoting Vision Zero (Zero pedestrian deaths in Alexandria is goal). Sgt. Casey says some of it is zero tolerance for speeding. Also policing for traffic enforcement. The City is still formulating its plans. We expressed willingness to publicize City goals and actions when they are available.

**Small Area Plan:** The planning Commission will consider it June 14 at 7 PM. Members of the board will attend and discuss our comments. The City Council will discuss it on June 24. The expectation is that both groups will pass the plan. If the planning commission becomes the implementing body, then we should lobby for a member of North Old Town on the planning commission.

**Sewage Outflow 001:** Board members attended the City's public meeting. There is consideration of combining the Royal St and the Oronoco outfall solutions. The City is still considering all options. Clarence would like to see if we could be helpful in getting Federal or State funds. Discussion of low cost bonds. Also impact of more green infrastructure on the overall costs. Tunnel vs. tanks—tanks have to be cleaned annually, with added costs and odors.

**Air Traffic South Flow recommendation .** FAA is to start consideration of the recommendation in August and it will take 12-18 months. Recommendation is to move

flights toward center of river, and at a higher altitude. But much is unclear, and different constituent areas along the river have different opinions.

**Concerts in the Park:** A grant application was submitted, and resubmitted after questions. There has not been a decision. Meanwhile there are 3 concerts planned. OTN community partnership sponsoring with NOTICe at 7:30 on June 22, July 20, and August 17. There are also noon time concerts at Canal Center every other Wednesday at noon. Dates are in the newsletter.

Recruitment of new Board Members: There will be 3 vacancies on the Board.

Schedule for Next Newsletter—Sept/Oct then Nov/Dec.

Old/New Business. There was discussion of what to post on the website.

Next Meeting August 14.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM