

**Minutes of the NOTICe Board Meeting
January 9, 2018
Portner's Landing Community Room**

Prsent: Agnes Artemel, Matt Hennesy, Penny Laporte, Howard Middleton, Clarence Tong, Anne White-Olson, Fran Zorn

1.Sargent. Rossiter from the Alexandria Police Department introduced himself as a Police officer for 10 years and Community Officer for 4 years.

He asked about nuisances in the community. Agnes mentioned Montgomery Park homeless and incidences with vagrants and the Farmer's Market. Sgt. Rossiter responded by saying that he can request officers to patrol the park prior to any events scheduled there.

Other items that were discussed were:

Recent Package thefts in the neighborhood. He asked that if packages are stolen, please call the police so that they can be made

aware of it and to include in their statistics. Anne raised parking issues this again, sine this came up with Sgt. Casey A reminder to Sgt. Rossiter that Casey said that he would have patrols so cabs wouldn't park on North Royal Street which is reserved for residents. Parking Enforcement: Taxi cabs are still parking on N. Pitt Street. Sgt. Rossiter will have his staff mark tires of cabs that are parked in residents' spaces. He asked that residents let the police know if the problem parking continues. It isn't illegal for the cabs to park there, but his people will keep track of **it**.

Slaters Lane carjacking: 3 in the last year. Capt. Soriano came in late, but is Sgt. Rossiter's boss and wanted to let us know that she is also supporting our neighborhood.

The recent shootings on Henry Street can be minimized in the same two block area. High presence of officers patrol that area. New Year's Eve shots fired 1000 First Street. The police know the people responsible for the shootings,

but they need additional evidence to make a case.

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2. **Ken Wire** and members from Carr Properties presented information on the plans for the Crowne Plaza redevelopment.

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There will be 79 condominiums or 153 rental units, 41 townhouses.

Resident parking will be the entire block underground.

Plans are that there will be space set-aside for an Art Center, either for Metro Stage theatre or space for an art gallery. Nothing definite has been decided as of this date.

The redevelopment will provide green space, 20% better than today.

The curbs on Fairfax street will be moving out somewhat and will have green strips.

Some of the townhouses will have elevators.

3. Discussion of Winter Party, February 15.

It will be held at the Kingsley, which has a capacity of 50 people. We have reserved the room from 5-10, with the party advertised from 7-9.

Fran is responsible for: Food and Drinks.

Fee: for members: \$15.00, single; 25.00 per couple.

Auction Items were discussed and assigned to board members. We discussed using the draft letter from previous years and the thank you letter that we will distribute after we collect the items for the silent auction

4. Audit: Howard reported on the “audit”

Our Expenses were higher during the last year.

5. Penny Laporte discussed the February

Newsletter and members volunteered to write and send stories to Penny. Suggestions for February topics were:

- Historical Notes
- Photo of Old Town North

- Sewage Outflow
- Welcome from Clarence.

A lot of discussion took place at this meeting, with back and forth not captured in these minutes.

Next Meeting February 12, 2018, same place.

Meeting Adjourned.