

## PMAC Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2018

Below is the list of attendees and notes from the May 1, 2018 meeting which was held at BPD's E-13 station in Jamaica Plain.

### **Attendees:**

1. Jennifer Leonard – Chair PMAC
2. Tracy O'Brien – PMAC
3. Sgt. Freeman – BPD D-4
4. P.O William Jones – BPD E-13
5. Northeastern Univ. Police
6. Jenny Jones – SWCPC & PMAC
7. David Wean – PMAC
8. Pat Driscoll – DCR
9. Jenny Haupt – South End Resident
10. Ralph Walton – PMAC

### **Public Safety Updates:**

- **D – 4 – Sgt. Freeman**
  - No crimes took place on the corridor.
  - A general review of crime statistics was reviewed.
- **E-13 – Bill Jones**
  - No crimes took place on the corridor.
  - A general review of crime statistics was reviewed.
- **State Police – Mike Rafferty**
  - Mike will be our new liaison for the park replacing Romere Antoine, who is now working in another location.
  - us know when the dedicated bike patrols will begin.
- **Northeastern University –**
  - Discussion of the Carter field construction project and bicycle/pedestrian traffic during the project.

### **Community Updates:**

- **DCR**
  - Care & Control Agreement - Pat Driscoll brought a copy that has the Care & Control memo so PMAC (Jennifer) can review. This will enable us to talk to Representatives Rushing and Malia to schedule our review last month's presentation with DCR.
  - Oakdale Community Garden – Pat, who was informed by Ben, discussed that DCR will be taking over the Oakdale Community Garden. This a positive step forward for the corridor.
- **Bees & Pollinators** – Jenny Haupt from the South End discussed bees and pollination. She will connect with Jenny Jones in Jamaica Plain for more discussions.
- **Community Gardens** –
  - Discussion about the granite curbstone pieces that are available; Jenny J. may be interested.
  - Water is on in all gardens; except that there is a break near Carlton Court
- **Mini Grants** – Jennifer reviewed this mini grant program with the group to ensure we broadly share this information. Tracy O'Brien will share with Fred Vetterlein so it can be shared with Stoneybrook Neighborhood Association to help increase their knowledge of PMAC.
- **Northeastern University** – A follow-up email from Northeastern University was discussed on the path construction. An email was forwarded by Jennifer to the group.

- Park Signage – The Jackson Square playground was reviewed and that a formal request made for the sign. We will next request signage for the Rose Garden when wording by Rose Garden Sub Committee reaches consensus.
- Bike Path Striping/Stencil Request – Jennifer will follow-up with DCR’s Regional and Assistant Regional Managers for status. He believes that the request may be misplaced with staffing at DCR.
- Path Maintenance Issues – There was a re a few topics on maintenance that includes:
  - Cobblestones that mark the approach of intersections are loose or missing which is a safety issue for pedestrians (feet) and bikers (tires).
  - Water has eroded another section that needs to be repaved. Jenny J. will be sending a request for repairs.
- Ventilation CAC (Back Bay Station) – Jennifer reviewed the ventilation work at Back Bay station with the group. General consensus is that we need to push for better solutions and ensure transparency of this process. We should also use our MBTA expert Ralph Walton to help us determine our position on their proposal.
- Wake-Up-The-Earth Day & Garden Tours – A few garden related events were noted.
  - Wake-up-the-Earth was held the weekend of May 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - South End Garden Tour is planned for June 16th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.
  - JP Garden Tour is planned for July 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.
  - Jennifer and Tracy have been corresponding with Peter Bowne from the Trustees organization.