



**DRAFT - Lower Moyamensing Civic Association Board Meeting Minutes**

11.11.2018

7pm

2432 S Camac St

Attendees: Chris DiBiase, Albert Girard, Fran LaRosa, Colleen McDonough, Chris Nevin, Barbara Shontz, Josh Spindler, Patti Tahan, Rebecca Wanner

Taking Minutes: Rebecca Wanner

Upcoming Events:

- **Un-Town Watch Training** (Update: this training was postponed due to inclement weather.)
  - Thursday, 11/15/2018
  - Formal Town Watch training from Carmetta Dickerson
    - This allows our group to be official/certified and receive a number for reporting purposes
    - We can also potentially hold future trainings led by our members
  - Logistics:
    - Patti will bring drinks
    - Fran will get light appetizers
    - Al will bring paper goods
- **Street Tree Planting 11/17/2018**
  - 1 tree scheduled to be planted at 1105 Tree Street
  - Al is coordinating, Chris N offered to help.
- **Philadelphia Orchard Project planting at Southern 11/17/2018**
  - Final major planting for orchard
    - Mostly understory plants
    - May be an additional planting of strawberries in the Spring
    - Area is already mulched, cleaned and prepped
  - Still need additional volunteers
- **Christmas Tree Recycling**
  - As discussed at the September meeting, LoMo would like to organize a Christmas tree recycling event in the parking lot at Southern
  - Chris N is leading this project
    - Chris will check in with PSCA (since we have partnered with them in the past
    - Patti will talk to Bartlett about potentially providing the tree chipping service/open dates/etc.

Board Elections

- Coming up in March



## LOWER MOYAMENSING CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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- Current Board Members whose terms are ending:
  - Patti
  - Fran
  - Rebecca
  - Colleen
  - Andrew
- Potential candidates mentioned:
  - Mark Mucci (Chris D. contact)
  - Josh Schulman (Chris N. contact)
  - Chau Lam (Patti contact)
- Nominations are due in December (date?)
  - Form to submit nominations located here:  
<https://goo.gl/forms/IXcxI9XtQFiudgbA2>
  - Please email Rebecca with any changes needed for nomination form

### Holiday Party

- Sunday, 12/2, 1-4pm at Our Lady of Hope school
  - Board approved a \$500 budget
  - Al is handling logistics, Eve Miller decorations, Darlene Olsen live music (other music will be playlist)
  - Holiday Party Folder on Google Drive [here](#)
    - Flyer created by Chris D. [here](#).
      - We want to put up printed flyers in the neighborhood as well as sharing on social media.
  - For food, the plan is to solicit donations from neighborhood businesses. In turn, we will thank/promote those businesses at the event and on social media
    - Board members needed to help solicit donations ASAP
      - Template for donation letters is located in the holiday party folder. Link [here](#)
      - Please record which businesses you are reaching out to on the google sheet [here](#)
    - Al will get chafing pans
    - Barb has sternos
  - Al suggested doing a recognition ceremony at the event for Todd Schwartz, in appreciation for his past and ongoing contributions to the neighborhood.
    - The board approved this
    - Al will follow up with Councilman Squilla
  - Children/Family Activities
    - Al is borrowing games from PDAC
    - Rebecca will do a kids' craft table

### Announcements

- Epiphany Spaghetti Dinner 11/17 at 6:30pm



- Al and Patti plan to attend, hoping to have a LoMo table
- **DCED grants**
  - Al will keep the board informed on details and potential projects. We may submit for street cleaning.
- **Crosstown Coalition**
  - Chris D. attended the meetings between PCC and City Council offices
    - Focused on Historical Preservation, CMX zoning, and taxes
    - Colleen shared this document detailing PCC agenda
- **Friends of Fumo Family Library**
  - First meeting held 11/15, 6:30pm
  - Email [FriendsofFFL@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofFFL@gmail.com) if you'd like to get involved.

### Resources

(shared with board, and we can also share with neighbors!)

- **American Water Resources/Philadelphia Energy Authority partnership**
  - Al just signed up and recommends
  - Provides water and sewer line protection for \$7.98/month
  - More information and sign up link here: <https://awrusa.com/philadelphia/>
- **Solarize Philly**
  - Colleen is going through the process of getting solar panels installed and recommends the program
  - More information and sign up here: <http://solarizephilly.org/>
- **PHFA home improvement/repair loans**
  - Al has used and recommends
  - 1% interest rate loan, they pay contractors directly
    - There are income limits, but there is flexibility to increase them.
  - More information and apply here: <https://www.phfa.org/programs/repairs.aspx>

Next Board Meeting: TBD? **Rebecca will check on this with Patti and send out a calendar invite**