

East Berkeley Neighborhood Association

General Meeting Minutes

Date: May 4, 2021

Location: Zoom

Time: 6:30 PM

Attendance:

Executive Board Members:

Aimee Coolidge
Chris Johnson, Secretary
Frann Bilus
John Connelly
Ken Smith, President
Leslie Fine, Vice President
Sabrina Sanz
Sarah Hutt
Steve Berns
Stuart Rose, Treasurer

Members of the Press:

Dan Murphy, The Boston Sun
Justin Roshak, The Boston Guardian

Government Representatives:

City Councilor Ed Flynn
Sophia Wang, Constituents Services Manager for Ed Flynn
Cheri Hill, Constituents Services Manager for State Rep. Aaron Michlewitz
Kim Crucioli, Neighborhood Liaison
City Councilor Annissa Essaibi-George, Mayoral Candidate
John Barros, Mayoral Candidate
Lizzy Heurich, Campaign Manager for John Barros

Agenda

- **Neighborhood Announcements**
 - Next month's meeting will be the last meeting of the school year. There will be no meeting in July or August. We hope to meet in person again beginning in September depending on conditions. The final determination will be announced. We are exploring the possibility of hybrid, virtual and in person, meetings going forward.
 - May 15 is the annual Love Your Block cleanup. We will meet by the tennis courts in Peters Park at 9:30AM.

- Brasserie Restaurant (at the corner of Waltham St. and Harrison Ave.) is opening on Thursday, May 6.
- **Harrison Avenue Re-Design: Boston Transportation Dept.**
 - Bill Conroy from BTB
 - The Harrison Ave. redesign project is fully funded through the BTB budget.
 - The design is being sent back to the consultant for final design to include new bike accommodations. It should be returned to BTB in about three weeks. The goal is to do it right the first time.
 - Bill hopes to have additional information to present at the June meeting.
- **Mayoral Candidates:**
 - **John Barros**
 - John Barros introduced himself and presented his platform and positions for mayor and took questions.
 - **Annissa Essaibi-George**

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- **Business Spotlight: Modern Relik**
 - John Bransfield spoke about Modern Relik and the services they offer.
 - Modern Relik received the Best of Boston Award in the New Furniture Store category.
 - "A furniture store with fringe benefits"
 - Coffee shop café
 - Flower shop - to show people how to bring floral into their homes
 - Book shop - coffee table books including design, photography, and fashion
 - Accessories and decorative items including table ware, flatware, serveware, barware, etc.
 - They offer bespoke furniture.
 - They also offer design services.