# **East Berkeley Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting Minutes**

Date: Tuesday, May 3, 2022

Location: Zoom - https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87186947603

Time: 6:30 PM

#### Attendance:

**Executive Board Members:** 

Aimee Coolidge

Chris Johnson, Secretary

Frann Bilus

John Connelly

Ken Smith, Meeting Facilitator

Leslie Fine, President

Sarah Hutt

Steve Berns

Stuart Rose, Treasurer

## Members of the Press:

Lauren Bennett, The Boston Sun

## Government Representatives:

Captain Sweeney, BPD

Kim Crucioli, Neighborhood Liaison

Sofia Wang, Policy Director for Councilor Ed Flynn

## **Agenda**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

- Leslie announced the upcoming Spring Social, which will be on Monday, June 13 at Brasserie. Additional information will be emailed and posted to Facebook closer to the event.
- Ken announced the Peters Park Spring Cleanup on Sunday, May 15 from 9 AM to 12 Noon.
- Leslie announced that Mayor Wu will be holding a Neighborhood Coffee Hour at Peters Park on Friday, June 10 at 9:30 AM.

## Safety and Security - BPD neighborhood report & Q+A

- Captain Sweeney reviewed the month's crime statistics and detailed several specific incidents.
  - Part One crime is up 4% YTD.
- Activity at Mass and Cass continues to be busy.

- One participant asked if Alex Pizza has been fined for their repeated violations. Kim Crucioli, Neighborhood Liaison, said she would check with the licensing board and respond to Ken and Leslie.
- Note: Detailed crime statistics are available from bpdnews.com https://bpdnews.com/news/category/Crime+Stats

## Request for support: New restaurant at The Quinn/The Harris - Liquor license request

- Demetri Tsolakis, owner, and Trish Farnsworth, attorney, presented their request for support as they seek a liquor license for a new restaurant at The Quinn that will be located at the corner of Harrison Ave. and Traveler Street.
  - Tsolakis also owns two restaurants in the Back Bay, Greco and Krasi.
  - They are seeking a full liquor license. The focus will be on Greek wine and spirits.
- The new restaurant will have 120 seats inside with 40 seats on the patio.
- They expect be open seven days a week from 5 PM to 11 PM for dinner service plus brunch on Sundays from 10 AM to 3 PM.
- They will not be requesting valet parking.
- They will not be offering curbside delivery.
- They anticipate to open late summer 2023.

#### Related Beal - Retail Update

- Will Grosvenor from Related Beal provided an update on the retail space on the corner of Harrison Ave. and East Berkeley Street at The Quinn.
  - There are only two retail spaces at The Quinn.
- The new tenant will be One Medical, a concierge medical practice that is expanding in the Boston area and throughout the country.
- The hours are expected to be 10 AM to 7 PM.

## **Neighborhood Historical Perspective**

 Author and South End resident Alison Barnet gave a talk on changes to the South End since the 1980s gave a history of the South End News.