

Reisterstown Improvement Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 856
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Meeting Agenda –September 26, 2017, 7 P.M.

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2017 Officers:	2017 Board of Directors:
President – Herb Weiss	Danny Carey Charlie Hoppa
Vice President – Ernie Schmidhauser	Mary Molinaro Linda Percy
Secretary – Michael Donnelly	Irwin Kramer Kathy
Gambrill	
Treasurer – Kim Drapkin	Justin Switzer Mark Stewart
Immediate Past President – Glenn Barnes	Pat Brooks

**“Reisterstown’s Main Street is a Destination.
Not Just a Drive-Through Road.”**

We Welcome Our New Members:

Keller Williams Excellence	Mary Muth
Schrieber Brothers Development, L.L.C.	Brendan Schrieber
Debbie Pearl	

1. Call to order –Introductions of those attending. 7:03pm

Dan Carey, Linda Percy, Kathy Gambrill, Mary Molinaro, Brendan Schreiber, Ernie Schmidhauser, Charlie Hoppa, Glenn Barnes, Karen Coppersmith, Pat Brooks, Gini Trotti, Betty Ann Rigney, Tina Asher, Michael Donnelly, Justin Switzer, Kim Drapkin, Ben Brooks, Greg Klein, Jonathan Schwartz, Leslie Coleman, John Barnhard, Stephanie Boston, Michael Brown, Irwin Kramer, Tony Baysmore, Mark Sewart, Adrienne Jones.

2. **Review of minutes from last meeting** – Mark made motion to accept previous minutes. Tina seconded. Accepted by voice vote.

3. **Treasurer’s report - Kim Drapkin-** Over 30k in account. Spooktacular and Holidays on Main Street are last potential expenses for the year. Last of the grant for Music On Main Street has come in. Reminder for upcoming budgets to be done by November for approval for next year.

4. **Membership Report** – Kathy Gambrill – Renewals & New Members \$35/yr for individuals and non profit organizations, schools and churches and \$75/yr for businesses. One benefit of membership is a listing on the Reisterstown.com website with contact info, hours, and a brief business description. Renewals for this month:

Word of Life International Church
Michael Donnelly

47 Main Street, Bldg. #1

5. **President’s Report** – Herb Weiss

Thanks to all who manned the R.I.A. booth at the Reisterstown Festival, especially Mary Molinaro for set-up, take-down, and scheduling.

The last four Music on Main Street concerts were notable for good weather and good music. Glenn will recap later tonight.

I appointed our new member, Brendan Shreiber, to fill the Economic Restructuring Committee chairmanship. He brings talent and enthusiasm to our organization and we are pleased to welcome him aboard. Motion made to approve nomination by Mary. Pat seconded. Voice vote approved.

Several of us paid a visit to the Pigtown section of Baltimore City to meet with Ben Hyman, the Main Street Manager there. He gave us (Mary, Kathy, Ernie, Pat, and Brendan) a short tour and much good advice on grant-writing, teambuilding, and attracting quality businesses to the neighborhood.

R.I.P. Village Kabob/Yogi-Yum. They served perfectly good food in a perfectly charmless location. Chik-fil-A is slated to open around November 1.

The Grant Committee has re-formed. Ernie Schmidhauser has agreed to lead, and will be joined by Linda Percy, Brendan Schrieber, and myself. We will draw upon our other experienced grant-writers and grant-seekers for assistance.

Got a zoning violation complaint? Code enforcement info: 410-887-3351

Main Street Committees Reports

We have several committees - If you would like to be on one of our committees, please let us know. Each committee chair will give a report tonight.

Organization Committee – Mary Molinaro- 6 remaining times to set up and take down booths. Thanks to all volunteers who take shifts. Discussed new ways to take advantage of “giving season” for RIA. Smile Amazon, GoFundMe, CrowdRise etc. Which is best for 501(c)3.

Economic Restructuring Committee –Brendan Schrieber Brendan made his introduction about who he is and that he hopes to start working with the board, businesses and general membership in the upcoming future.

Design Committee - Irwin Kramer - Banner sales have concluded. Got yours? Banners are mostly complete and will go out sometime Mid October. The website is active and generates hits. Please put your events on the website to garner further exposure.

Clean, Safe and Green Committee -Dan Carey- Clean Main Street Day – Next one will be Saturday, October 7th, 2017. Meet at Reter’s Crab House & Grille parking lot at 9 AM. Join the fun and help keep Main Street looking good.

Promotion Committee – Justin Switzer – Spooktacular October 28, RIA Night at Reter’s Crab House and Grille October 17, Holidays on Main Street December 2

Reisterstown Rocks is out and doing well.

Grant Committee—Ernie Schmidhauser Looking for matching grants and work related donations. Will research to see which are available.

Communications Director – Michael Donnelly Facebook is active. Please send in pictures, videos etc to be shared.

Farmers' Market—Kim Drapkin 3 more Farmer's Markets and the last Flea Market day coming up. Next year will be back at the Middle School. Meeting Oct 9th 7pm. Need volunteers for the last 3 weeks.

Officers and Board Member comments?

Legislators' announcements/comments-- Summarized! Not entire comments.

Tony Baysmore – Spoke on Kevin Kamenetz's accomplishments through his time as County Exec. Delegate Ben Brooks spoke on renewable energy and financial literacy for students.

Delegate Adrienne Jones spoke of schools, particularly helping FHS with renovating it's music acoustics.

Jonathon Schwartz spoke for Vicki Almond in regards to the lights on Main Street, and getting them to match in brightness. Nov 2nd Chik-fil-a opens. Dicks, Lowes and Costo likely will go at OM Mall location starting early 2019.

- 6. Music on Main Street Committee - Dan Carey and Glenn – Summer's over! MOMS is in its 6th year. Thanks to Dan and Glenn. Also thanks to FMS and FES for use of facilities. They were very accommodating during difficult moves. 1000-1500 on average enjoyed the music despite several rain outs.**

- 7. Reisterstown Community Cemetery Committee (1764 By John Reister) - Co-Chairs Linda Percy and Chris Larkins. Toast Among Ghosts Saturday, Oct. 7**

- 8. "Bloomin ArtFest" Committee-Mark Stewart – www.bloominartfest.com Meeting on Nov 14th 6pm and Long and Foster for 2018 event.**

- 9. The Franklin Precinct Police Report—Captain Folderauer has been promoted to Major and leads the west side patrol division (including Franklin Precinct). Captain Matthew McElwee returns as the new precinct commander on Friday.**

- 10. Facebook comments about Reisterstown –**

- 11. Old Business—Welcome signs?**

- 12. New Business- The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, November 7th, at Long and Foster Realtors, time to be determined. Don't forget our quarterly monthly meeting at Reter's—Tuesday, October 10 at 10am.**

Ernie made a motion to suggest RIA join the NNPO to enable the search for grants. Mary seconded, voice vote approved.

Kathy reminded everyone the final morning meeting of the year is 10-10 at 10am. Keith Scott will be talking to help small businesses.

Irwin thanked those who helped for their support of the banner project, it was the largest order ever.

Chartley Crab Feast Oct 7th for \$35 at the American Legion.

Volunteers form the backbone of our communities. They set the tone for our culture.
Volunteering brings help and guidance to recipients and great satisfaction to the givers.
It builds friendships, creates confidence and promotes natural leadership.

Thank you for attending tonight's meeting.

We will continue working with Jacob DeNobel -The Community Times, Michael Ruby with The Country Crier, Sarah Meehan with the Baltimore Business Journal, the Baltimore County Planning Department, Department of Economic Development, the County Executive's Office and the Main Street Maryland Program.

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Mary Molinaro- Board / 410-908-0724 or 410-526-7190

Next Meetings:

Tuesday, October 10, 10AM at Reter's Crab House and Grille
Tuesday, October 24th, 2017 at 7 PM at the Long and Foster Office - 321 Main St.

Agenda prepared by Herb Weiss, President (443-226-8879)
Minutes prepared by Michael Donnelly, Secretary, (410-926-5584)

This month's amazing trivia: The population of India is greater than the entire Western hemisphere's.

Bonus trivia: A lemon has more sugar than a strawberry.
Extra credit: 75% of Australian trees are eucalyptus.