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# Meeting Minutes for Lincoln Park Civic Association (LPCA)

Saturday, December 14th, 2024

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## Call to Order

A meeting of LPCA was held on Decemeber 14th, 2024, at the Lincoln Park Community Center. It began at 9:00 am and was presided over by Omobogie Amadasu. The meeting was in person and virtual via zoom.

## Attendees

- Board members: Omobogie Amadasu, Anita Summerour, Zoe Denito, Kate Scott
- Community Members: Lucinda Hall, Justin Martin, Elliot Denito, Sergio Diaz, Darleme Prather
- City of Rockville: Troy Plummer (PD), Monique Ashton (Mayor), Marrison Valeri (Councilmember)
- Residents of Rockville at Large, MoCo /Businesses of MoCo: None
- Virtual: Linda Plummer

## Lincoln Park Community Center (Yvette by Email):

- 1. Clubhouse Afterschool participants and staff are thriving, engaging in wonderful holiday-themed crafts as everyone eagerly anticipates the winter break from December 20 to January 1, 2025.
  - 2. On Monday, December 15, Rockville City Police officers will join Center Supervisors from Lincoln Park and Twinbrook Community Centers to help purchase holiday gifts for each afterschool participant. Officers will then return during next week's holiday parties to help hand out each gift.
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- 3. On Saturday, December 7, we hosted our 5th annual Gingerbread/Cookie Decorating Event, featuring one of our past Clubhouse Afterschool Program participants, now a college student, DJ Young Fresh Prince. He and his family collaborated with our staff to organize this cherished holiday tradition. This year, the event welcomed 47 participants, who enjoyed music by DJ Young Fresh Prince, a hot chocolate bar, snacks, and a fun time decorating gingerbread houses and cookies.
- 4. Next Saturday, December 21, mural artist Rose Jaffe, who recently completed our new mural, will host a free block printing community workshop with pre-made stamps inspired by the recent mural. The event will take place in the multi-purpose room for our community members. Participants will create unique artwork for the holidays, including holiday cards or standalone pieces.
  - Time: 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.
  - Ages: All are welcome.
  - Capacity: Limited to 15 participants.
  - Registration: Email or call Yvette by noon on Friday, December 20.
  - Note: Wear clothes you don't mind getting ink on.
- 5. With the renovation of the community center set to begin in January 2025 and continue for 10 months, we will pause accepting private rentals after December 31, 2024. Programming and in-house requests will be adjusted as needed to accommodate facility, community and contractor needs. While the LPCA meetings may need to move rooms during the renovation, they will not be disrupted.
- 6. Save the date! International Night 2025 will take place on April 11 at the Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Theater on the Montgomery College Rockville Campus, due to renovations at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre next year. We are currently seeking performers. If you or someone you know is interested, please email me at the community center.

## Rockville Planning Office:

- Anita when to the focus group meeting about re-zoning.
- Community discussed the change of zoning should be below Lincoln Ave.

## City Police: (T. Plummer)

- Only 8 calls last month. This month a few guys stole a car that was running. Another car was stolen a few doors away. 2nd car the window was mashed. the assailants are known and are minors
- 30k calls. looking to have about 32k calls for the year. 66 officers on paper. on monday 64 officers. Major England? is retiring, Maj. Lou will also retired. Sign bonus of up to \$6k and \$10k. Need to have associates degree to be an officer.
- Went to the giant and spoke to the manager. They put up an invisible fence to prevent carts from leaving the parking lot. Not all the carts have them but working to install on them.
- Officer who got bit in the face is back. Officer who hurt his knee will be out for 9 months. (ACL tear)
- Congratuated Maj. Plummer on his acting role and thanked him for his service

## Mayor & Council: (Mayor Ashton)

- County police had issues with staffing. Thanking the the acting for working in the vacancy.
- Budget survey and needs assessment survey. Closing in the new two week.
- Rockville town center master plan. Having a meeting. engage rockville and take a look. It is for planning the next 20 and 30 years. Hash out building heights, encourage more housing. Should/should not have a parking minimum. Working on metro as well. Discuss the direction and approval in January.
- Holiday drive 600 and 800 people. Can drop off toys and books. To help out the community. Can make a donation online as well

- JEDI position open in rockville. Working on plan to incorporate.
- Offer financial assistance for programs. (Pool membership)
- Soccer goals in Iseral park. Will look into it
- City manager will come in january.
- Memory walk updates. Anna to attend the next LPCA meeting And Police chief search.
- Events coming up. Theater is open tomorrow and then closed till spring.  
Cross walk
  
- Shared the abandoned home and raccoon issue from Mr. Walker with the Mayor.

### **City of Rockville Arts :**

- Disucssed the revmoal of flowers.
- The mayor full support of seeing this project through

### **Rockville Vison Zero :**

- No Updates this month

### **Treasury Report ( Anita) :**

- Non-Profit Checking:
  - 11/1/2024 balance: \$3,279.39
    - Service Charge \$2.45
    - Outstanding check (website update) = \$100.00
  - 11/30/2024 balance: \$3,276.94
- Savings:
  - 10/1/2024 balance: \$1,033.63
    - Interest: \$0.01
  - 10/30/2024 balance: \$1,033.64
  
- Completed the federal tax return. State return till pending
- Still looking for a new bank to reduce fees.

## Website & Logo Update/Upgrade:

- Younger Sisters billed LPCA \$100 for updates.
- Check sent pending payment.

## LPCA Capital Improvement Projects

- Isreal park soccer nets update
  - Mayor will provide an status update on our application

## Open Forum:

- NAACP Freedom Gala announcement
  - 50th Annual Freedom Fund Gala on Sunday, May 18, 2025.
- Removal of graffi on the trainbridge next to rockville station.
- Development Projects around Rockville (FYI)
  - 1455 Research Blvd. in Rockville, Maryland.
  - Pulte Homes for residential development on the Property in place of the existing office development to include 72 condominiums in two multi-family buildings, 30 two-over-two units and 107 townhomes.
- 414-416 Hungerford Drive
  - multi-family residential development, the dedication of a segment of Maryland Avenue extended north of Beall Avenue, and the improvement of an open space with neighborhood amenities.

## Adjournment

Omobogie Amadasu moved that the meeting be adjourned; this was agreed upon at about 10:40 am.

**The Next meeting will be January 11<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Please \$10 to pay dues for the new operational year.**

