

BMBA MINUTES
NOVEMBER 12, 2020

Attendees: M. Bogosian, T. Rubin, M. Hennesey, S. Zelov, C. Graffman, J. Fish, B. Fish, C. Felton, C. Smith, K. Barton, B. McElroy, B. McKiernan, Tom – Wilike Lexus

- S. Zelov reported there is a huge gas line expansion project that will start between County Line Rd. and Bryn Mawr Ave. Traffic has been extremely congested due to all the work in Radnor and Lower Merion Townships.
- T. Rubin is working closely with Rileigh's to hang the snowflakes as well as address the issue of missing/non-working lights. We will not pay the invoice until issues are resolved.
- Several businesses have donated to Bryn Mawr Beautiful in order to purchase the watering cart. Paul Aschkenasy, Tim Rubin and Robin (Kindred) donated \$1000, B. Mawr Rotary donated \$250 and Bryn Mawr Hospital donated \$3000. Lower Merion Township will match at 50%.
- BMBA Bank account is \$25,889 and BMDay is \$24,848.
- S. Zelov reported for Eric that Temple Small Business Development Center is holding brainstorming sessions, on-line review platforms and intro to digital marketing seminars for businesses. Clover Market and Farm to City agreements are ready for approval. There were (3) businesses that were awarded money from the Small Business Forgiveness Loan Program.
- S. Zelov reported the Billboard Proposal is in its 2nd day and he is due to testify today. The judge wants to wrap things up by weeks end. Lower Merion Budget meeting was held and there will be no tax increase. Approval is scheduled for 12/16/20. They will use the money in the Fund Balance to balance the budget if there is a deficit.
- St. Charles Seminary was purchased by Main Line Health and there is no immediate plans.
- Farmers Market is booming and runs all winter with limited Saturdays and hours. Bryn Mawr Day 2021 is scheduled for 9/11/21 and should coincide with Bryn Mawr Fire Company memorial.
- The Proposed Mixed Use Project will be heard in December. It is in the beginning stages for approval from the Township, County and Planning Committee.
- C. Grafman reported that BMFI has plans for a soft opening. They had significant water damage from the storms earlier but were able to hold their Popcorn event that brought lots of foot traffic to Bryn Mawr.
- M. Hennesey reported that COVID cases are on the rise at the hospital. There are currently 13 in-patient cases and the hospital is at RED capacity level. The tent outside will be used for incoming COVID testing and positive patients. Main Line Health's mitigation efforts for gatherings and classes has been extended until 7/2021. Standard of care for COVID patients in the hospital has improved considerably since the onset and outcomes are positive.

- M. Bogosian made a motion to approve the minutes of past meetings and post to website. Motion was approved.
- M. Bogosian and C. Felton came up with the idea of spotlighting persons/businesses in Bryn Mawr weekly. A questionnaire was sent out to all the businesses.
- Emma Bogosian has volunteered her time walking through Bryn Mawr to all the businesses in an effort to update contact information.
- C. Smith reported that the tree at the Gazebo will have lights on it this year for the holidays.
- M. Bogosian reported there will be free parking in Bryn Mawr in the month of December. The dates decided are 12/5, 12/12 and 12/19, all Saturdays. She will advertise the free Saturday parking in the blast.
- C. Smith reported there are several Food drives for the month of December hosted by Bryn Mawr Rotary and the Boy Scouts. There is also a Blood Drive run by the Red Cross at Grace Lutheran Church in Broomall.
- S. Zelov reported that construction at Bryn Mawr Hospital concludes next month but construction on the H-wing will begin in December.
- The next meeting is December 3 at 8:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Bogosian