

BMBA MINUTES  
DECEMBER 3, 2020

**Attendees:** M. Bogosian, T. Rubin, S. Zelov, C. Graffman, J. Fish, B. Fish, C. Felton, K. Barton, B. McElroy, D. Cuff, M. Geer

- T. Rubin reported that he along with K. Barton, Eric and Dan from Rileigh's are still working on the issues with the snowflake lights. Overall, the lights look great but there are some that are not functioning properly and we will not pay the invoice until all issues are resolved.
- J. Fish reported that Black Friday was very quiet for him but that other businesses were busy. M. Bogosian reported that The Camera Shop is typically not busy on Black Friday but the days after are. The Camera Shop has changed their hours from Tuesday to Saturday and are closed on Sunday, Monday.
- S. Zelov reported that free Saturday parking will be 12/5, 12/12 and 12/19. M. Bogosian will include the dates in the email blast. The Farmers Market winter hours are January through March, 10-12 noon, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month.
- The bill board hearings have closed and a decision should be made within 60 days with a certain appeal (probably March or April).
- The Mixed Use Project and Lancaster Ave. and Bryn Mawr Ave. will be heard at Lower Merion Land Development in March 2021.
- The Forgiveness Loan Program is still available.
- The final vote on the Lower Merion Budget will take place in 2 weeks. There will be no tax increase in 2021. They are considering a Storm Management Fee in 2022 or 2023.
- The tree lighting will not take place but the tree lights will be turned on the first Friday in December.
- D. Cuff reported there is \$24,848 in BMDay account and \$25,890 in BMBA account with just the invoice from Rileigh's to pay (\$4400).
- M. Bogosian continues to spotlight different businesses. Emma Bogosian has been walking around town updating information on businesses but is getting a lot of push back.
- K. Barton asked what is happening with Membership dues since we are not providing any services. M. Bogosian reiterated that any business that paid in 2020 will automatically be paid for 2021. No invoices will be sent out as of now.
- S. Zelov reported that The Grog has requested that one lane of Lancaster Ave. be closed so that his restaurant can put tables out. There was a consensus that one would need several restaurants (critical mass) to participate in this effort for this to be considered, if at all.
- C. Grafman reported that the soft opening was approved for private rentals not more that 10 people (\$250-\$400) and virtual streaming for members. These services are available to everyone.

- J. Fish reported there is a new clothing store opening in the old Medley Music building.
- The Shear Touch has to close for 2 weeks due to an employee with COVID until 12/10.
- M. Bogosian will be printing and distributing 100 flyers advertising free parking dates in December.
- Update from Main Line Health: cases increasing, get the flu shot and check with your primary doctor within the next 2 months for the vaccine. Bryn Mawr Hospital has applied for vaccine distribution. There are currently 33 patients with COVID and 4 pending results. CVS has been contracted to distribute the vaccine.
- The next meeting is January 7 at 8:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Bogosian