**Braddock District Council meeting**

**Virtual via Google Meet**

**12/21/22**

7:27 pm – Bob Cosgriff, BDC Chair called the meeting to order.

* Nine people in attendance; there was a quorum.
* First order of business: Susan DiMaina approved as Secretary of BDC unanimously
* Second order of business: September 2022 minutes were approved unanimously

**Treasurer’s Report** (Dec 21, 2022)

Truist Bank balance August 31,2022: **$2,991.99**

BDC dues received (SEP - NOV): $800.00 (Including CCVCA duplicate payment)

Truist Bank withdrawals (SEP – NOV): $522.27

Truist Bank balance November 30, 2022: **$3,269.72**

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Truist Bank balance December 21: $3,369.72 (1 Dues Received: $100)

Membership Update: There are 16 paid members in BDC; Sarah Lennon, BDC Vice Chair, suggested everyone to reach out to encourage non-member neighborhoods to join. Apparently Truro has sent in a check so they will soon be added to the list.

Social Media/Communications Update: To raise awareness about the BDC and hopefully increase membership, Sarah noted that she posts on the BDC website, the Facebook page, and on Next Door as well. For Next Door, she casts a wide net, posting to all the possible communities.

Plans for 2023:

* February 15 will be the next BDC meeting, in person. Topics to be covered include liability issues, community best practices to share regarding membership, newsletters, and dues etc. Additionally, the BDC Board will seek to invite the High School winner of the Best in Braddock award for community service to talk about his community clean up initiative.
* April will be the Legislative Report from State Senators and Delegates from Richmond to provide a report on the 2023 session.
* June will be the Annual meeting with Board elections for 2023-2024.

New Business

* Sally Kidalov from Supervisor Walkinshaw’s office thanked Bob, Sarah, Kevin, Susan, and Charlotte for "breathing new life" into the BDC.
* Scott Leitch asked how to obtain more info about the possible changes in trash collecting in our county, and if it worth the effort to start a petition. Sally suggested that he reach out to Joon Park in Walkinshaw's office for current information but noted that there is a waiting list for communities seeking County trash services.
* Mike Perel had a suggestion of adding a statement regarding BDC advocating for legislation to the BDC “one pager” since it is in the By Laws. Sarah proposed that he provide her with draft language for consideration.
* Bob Cosgriff noted that new volunteers are needed for the Aging in Place program to take over from Bruce Wallachy. Sarah suggests that Bruce write a paragraph or two about what this entails and it can be disseminated through Walkinshaw's office and the BDC website/Facebook page.

8:05 pm -- meeting adjourned.