

**Roland Park Civic League 2006 Annual Meeting**  
**Wednesday, May 17, 2006**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**St. David's Church**  
**4700 Roland Avenue**

The meeting was called to order by President Michael DiPietro at 7 PM.

**Utility Rate Update**

State representatives Sandy Rosenberg and Lisa Gladden reviewed the status of rate increases for Baltimore Gas and Electric and answered member questions.

**Secretary's Report**

Philip Spevak presented the minutes from the 2005 meeting which were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

Michael DiPietro presented the Treasurer's Report which was approved unanimously.

**Reports of Related Community Organizations**

Reports were presented from the Roads and Maintenance Organization, RP Pool, Community Foundation, Newsletter Committee, Library Initiative, and the Water Tower Initiative.

The Community Foundation made members aware of their efforts to improve the community paths and that this is to be funded in part, by the Spring Celebration Event.

The next Newsletter is expected out on May 22.

The Path Walk is planned for May 20.

**Reports from the Civic League**

Reports were provided by each of the standing committees: Land Use, Transportation, Infrastructure, Website, and Public Safety.

The Web Site was displayed by Phil Spevak who announced that the new site should go live in the next few weeks.

**Nominating Committee**

Robert Hearn, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate: President - Michael DiPietro, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – vacant, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Christine McSherry, Secretary – Phil Spevak, Treasurer – Michael Braverman. Plat representative nominations were: Plat 1 – Scott Conover, Plat 2 – Hugh Fitzpatrick, and Plat 5 City – Annette Garofalo. Additional nominations were received from the floor including Louise Phipps Senft – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and David Blumberg – Plat 6.

All above Officers and Plat Representatives were approved by the members.

**New Business**

Members discussed two issues: the fact that the RP Public Elementary school boundaries did not include all households in the RPCL area and the poor condition of many roads within the community.

**Featured Guest Presentation – Rotunda Project**

Two representatives of the Hekemian and Company, the project developers, attended the meeting: Chris Bell, the Project Leader, and Al Barry, Consultant to the Hekemian Company.

Mr. Bell showed a slide presentation of the project and said he expected the project to include an expanded Giant Supermarket, possibly another anchor merchant such as a bookstore, 300 apartments, and 100 condominiums. New retail space of ~50,000 ft<sup>2</sup> will be added to the current 140,000 ft<sup>2</sup>. He indicated that they wished to make the project pedestrian friendly. He expected work to begin in the summer of 2007 and to take over two years to complete.

Mr. Bell fielded questions concerning traffic, project scale, effect on surrounding community, likelihood of a “big box” merchant in the project, accessibility by mass transport, look of the on site housing, and expected changes to the current buildings.

**Adjournment – 9PM.**