

York Road Partnership  
General Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2017

The June meeting was called to order at 7:15 P.M. by President Donna Blackwell.

Major Gibson, Commander of the Northern Police District addressed the members and discussed the District's May rise in Crime. In addition to increased patrols the major presented a list of tips (available on line and Facebook) such as close garage doors, lock car doors etc. to help reduce crime.

Donna Blackwell welcomed all present and asked each member to introduce him/herself.

Councilman Ryan Dorsey addressed the membership and discussed the proposed "Complete Streets" legislation he is preparing to present to the City Council. He explained that Complete Streets are streets that contribute to community quality of life, consider the needs of all users, and enable better access to the City. Councilman Dorsey will forward a copy of the bill draft to the YRP for review and asked for recommendations to be forwarded as soon as possible to his office. Councilman Dorsey is looking for the support of the YRP on this proposed legislation.

Chief Martin from the DOJ Compliance Division of the BPD presented and discussed the Consent Decree between BPD and the DOJ. Martin pointed out the Consent Decree Timeline regarding the deadlines in the Consent Decree. Full information is available at: <http://consentdecree.baltimorecity.gov>.

Salar Khalighzdegan presented and discussed the proposed an innovative type of Food Pantry: "Baltimore Little Food Pantry". This system will be similar to the "Little Free Library" program. It would be a program for the community by the community. YRP asked if and if so where a program like this could work in our community.

Announcements:

- Agreement has been reached for the City to restore funding for after school programs
- Many interesting programs at the Pratt Library: [www.prattlibrary.org](http://www.prattlibrary.org)
- Food Symposium this Saturday – YRP to re-send announcement
- Tunbridge Public Charter School is raising money for a new playground.
- Mayor's Office to hold "Call to Action" this Saturday- BCCC on Liberty Heights at 8:30 AM

Meeting was adjourned by President Blackwell at 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Francesco L. Legaluppi, Recording Secretary and Treasurer

***All meetings open to the public.***