

Blackstone/Franklin Square Neighborhood Association **General Meeting Minutes for 12/14/2004**

7:05 PM

Meeting called to order

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from 11/9/04 General Meeting accepted as-is

Announcements:

- Sherwood Hughes announced the wreath and tree sale was a success. All trees were sold and most of the wreaths were sold. Wreaths are still available for those interested.
- Sherwood Hughes announced that the BRA unanimously approved the Level 4 Biological Research Lab and showed colored pictures of how the building design has changed with community input

Guest Speakers:

1. Aaron from Flour Bakery presents a proposal to change hours of operation

- Flour Bakery would like to extend hours of operation from 7 pm during the week to 9pm.
- As a test Flour would like to operate the extended hour on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It could potentially be open to 9 pm 7 days a week.
- Flour is not seeking a beer and wine license at this time.
- Dinner examples would include lasagna, roasted salmon, and tarte flambé to name a few. They would also provide bakery their current bakery items during the extended hours.
- Flour's proposal was unanimously accepted.

2. Mitchell Properties presents a redevelopment proposal for Franklin House detox wing

- Proposal presented by Bart Mitchell, David Hacin, and Kevin Maguire.
- Proposal is a total interior renovation and exterior restoration of the Father Gilday Street wing of the Franklin House. This wing has been vacant since the early 90's
- There will be 7 market rate units and 1 affordable unit.
- There will be parking for 9 cars. The parking will both be covered and garaged.
- Building will be listed by Sprogis and Neale
- Most of the units will be over 2000 square feet.
- There will be a BRA Meeting on 2/15, a meeting with Landmarks in May and construction should begin in July of 2005 with a completion date of June of 2006.
- The fire escape will be moved from the outside of the building to the inside.
- Mitchell Properties asked BFSNA for a letter of support for their proposal. The vote was unanimous to support Mitchell Properties redevelopment plan of the Franklin House wing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45. Holiday Party held after the meeting.

Refreshments were provided courtesy of Flour Bakery + Café.