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**Annapolis Business Association  
General Membership Meeting  
March 21, 2006  
Harry Browne's**

**Minutes**

Meeting convened at 6:30 p.m. by Chance Walgran, Board Member. Everyone was asked to introduce themselves – many new prospective members were present.

**OLD BUSINESS**

February meeting minutes are available on the website for review. Secretary Judy Buddensick was absent.

No financial update available from Scott Gardiner who is in the midst of tax season.

Pam Finley reported on the April 4<sup>th</sup> event to honor George Nassif. Event will be at History Quest Building, 6-8 pm, casual attire. Tickets are selling well. All Board members have tickets for sale.

Peter Beilenson who is a candidate for the House of Representatives for this district was introduced by Chuck Weikel. He spoke for a few minutes on the need for government to invest in the transportation infrastructure.

Gary Reiner announced the date of the Mill's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration as Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Discussion of making this an Annapolis Business Appreciation Day. Green Street cannot be closed. Mike Miron from Mayor's office will meet with Gary tomorrow at 1:30 p.m. to put together a flyer announcing this event to the merchants.

Chance gave a brief report from Mary Jo Robey regarding the new brochure. West Street has agreed to be included, Eastport is still considering. Mary Jo is meeting with Garret at Cyphers to discuss putting it together.

Chuck Weikel reported some limited use of the Taxi service. The committee is working on incentives and continuing to refine the program.

Chamber of Commerce partnership – Chance has meeting scheduled with Bob Burdon to review our administrative need relative to their capabilities.

The summer flower program including the planters, baskets and all watering until October has been quoted at \$51,603. This does not include the Christmas decor. A small committee headed by Pam Finley is going to approach the city regarding the Christmas décor.

Mike Miron reported on the downtown construction. By Wednesday at 9 AM the jersey barriers should be gone, the fence is down, the sidewalk will be open. Main St. will be more inviting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Hollis Minor handed out a business survey to members present and asked for its return by March 28<sup>th</sup>. Ann Widener suggested that there be a review of the plan from 10 years ago.

Mike Miron encouraged ABA members to attend the HPC roundtable on Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. HPC would like to hear business view on preservation in the Historic District. Please attend if you want to be heard.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. Next meeting is April 18<sup>th</sup>.