

Better Bevo Now Neighborhood Association  
September 21, 2017 Meeting Notes

42 attendees.

Gwen Murray, Acting Chair/Social Committee Report. We are still waiting to find out if the BBN Neighbors Naturescaping grant application has been approved. If so, we have enough brick and newspaper. The September Bazaar-O was a success, despite the heat and political climate. We ended up selling almost 30 vendor spaces and everyone had a great time. Following the market I posted a short piece about the event on the BBN website, [bbnstl.com](http://bbnstl.com). I hope to make the "From the Desk of the Acting Chair" a regular feature on the website. Add it to your bookmarks or favorites or home screen and check in now and then. In the next week or so, we plan to meet with Father Carl and other community partners to start planning the Bark N Boo Trunk or Treat. Anyone interested in helping should call me. We will need neighbors who are willing to decorate their trunks and participate. Anyone interested in helping, please call me (314) 319-1840. Once painted the Rainbow Cabinet will be installed at the skate park. Flocking season is open until 9/30, call now for a flocking. BBN Board meetings have a set date, time and location - 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm at St. John the Baptist. The meetings are open. All are invited and welcome. Bevo Farmer's Market continues every Tuesday at the Heavy Anchor at 5226 Gravois from 5-8pm. The Greater St. Louis Community Market is moving it's Saturday morning organic, local farmers market from Clayton to Bevo starting this Saturday 9/23. The new market will be at Pepper's Bar & Grill on Gravois. The change of venue will give GSLCM the space they need to expand with new vendors and gain more accessible parking and have easy access from the busy street and make it accessible to inner-city residents. The change will also enable GSLCM to resume their market demo classes including, but not limited to cheese making, food preservation and historic food preparations. With strong ties to Bevo, GSLCM is happy to be back in the city. This will be just the beginning of a great new partnership with Pepper's and they hope you join them this Saturday morning between 9am and noon. The market features organic produce, spices and baked goods as well as natural soaps and other local vendors. Healthy Schools Healthy Communities meeting 9/25 at 5pm at the Carondelet Y in the Responsibility Room. Light food is provided and kids are welcome. Rabid raccoons - I've been seeing a lot of reports of people in Tower Grove South finding raccoons in odd places and acting weird. All of them have been diagnosed with distemper. If you see one, do not approach it. Immediately call Animal Control at 657-1500. After regular business hours (M-F 8am to 5pm), you should call the non-emergency PD number 231-1212 or 911.

Karen Chaney, CoChairman - There is no word on the bond reduction for Robert Mitchell.

Mary Hackett, Treasurer - There were two attendance prizes. They were \$40 gift certificates to Salina's. They were donated by Salina's in gratitude for our membership's participation in a petition asking the city for approval of the restaurant. We are selling Tee Shirts for \$15. Nominations are being accepted for the Beautiful Bevo Award. Please nominate your neighbor or yourself for good "curb appeal" for the Bevo neighborhood. Nominations may be submitted at the meetings or by e mail to [bevo.gardens@yahoo.com](mailto:bevo.gardens@yahoo.com)

Kay Miller, Victims Support - There were 3 referrals since training was completed. One of the people referred is interested in a self defense class. Please contact BBN if you know of a volunteer who would like to conduct this class.

Kristin Hoffmann, Block Captains/Court Advocacy - the quarterly Block Captain meeting is November 6, from 6:30 to 8pm at Oak Hill School. There was an orientation meeting for Block Captains 9/28/17. Update on the cases she is following. The attorney for Robert Mitchell is filing for dismissal of charges. The attorney for Travis Kidd is filing to suppress his confession as Travis did not understand his Miranda rights.

Beth Murphy, Alderwoman, 13th Ward/Carol Howard, Alderwoman, 14th Ward - (I didn't make a note of which alderwoman said what, so I have to lump their remarks together this time.) The Sheriff's Department is hiring Sheriffs for more information, see their website. The Landmark Association has many interesting activities that involve St. Louis architecture for more information see their website. The Kingshighway Baptist Church applied for a permit to run an Adult Daycare. The Board of Estimates and Apportionment has approved doing a one year trial of body cameras for police. This trial is offered at no cost for one year by the supplier. The plan still needs to be approved by the police themselves and plans made for how they will be used. There are two Habitat for Humanity houses being built on Ulena near Delor. The Strange Folk Festival and Bosnian Festival took place in Carondelet Park the weekend following the meeting.