

# Old Beechwood Association

A HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

Sunday, April 26, 2020

Dear Neighbors,

I hope this email finds you safe and well. The Executive Committee extends its best wishes. As a reminder, earlier this month, the previously scheduled OBA Quarterly Meeting for April 27 was cancelled in keeping with the Governor's orders prohibiting public gatherings. Nevertheless, we are still engaged and want to take this opportunity to provide some updates.

**President's Remarks, Gregory Myers:**

Regarding the scheduled roadwork, storm sewer and rain gardens, those projects are still moving forward. The engineering consultant, T&M, is working toward completing the plans and is currently incorporating the review comments they received in March from city staff from all the participating departments. The engineering portion (design and preparing construction plans) is already funded and so it will continue until plans are complete. The Project Manager did note that there are four separate funding sources to our project (storm, sanitary, water, and roadway) and city revenue to each fund will obviously impact each department. He was hesitant to speculate on how the current state of affairs will impact the overall schedule but said it is a matter for all of us to be aware of and monitor closely.

Many of you have been following our emails on the recent flooding experienced by some of our neighbors. As communicated in those emails, City assistance in redirecting rainwater infiltrating our homes from our roofs and the ground around our houses as well as a sump pump program will be available to us but not sooner than 2027. Additionally, a basement water backup prevention program addressing sanitary backups is currently available. Links to information on both programs are on the OBA website.

**Vice President's Remarks, Cindy Lazarus:**

Our neighbors continue to find ways to be a community even as we maintain social distancing. For instance, the Arbor Committee, along with many helpful neighbors, recently completed the removal of invasive honeysuckle and general clean up in our common areas.

If you are aware of any neighbors who might need help with getting groceries, or taking their garbage cans to the street or back, etc., please let one of us know. One positive side effect of sheltering in place is many of us have greater flexibility in our daily schedules and so can help each other.

**Treasurer's Remarks, Becca Donnally:**

An updated Treasurer's Report has been attached to this email, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me. Notices for OBA annual dues will be going out soon via email and hand delivered to those who have not supplied us with their email addresses.

Thank you for your attention. We are looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Your OBA Executive Committee,

Gregory Myers, President  
Cindy Lazarus, Vice President  
Becca Donnally, Treasurer  
Melissa Sickles, Secretary