



BMNA Reporter

Present:

Marlin Possehl, President; Chad Smude, Co-Treasurer, Rachel Banken, Area 1, Sue Verrett, Area 2; Jessica Wiley, Area 3; Christopher Etz, Area 4; Paul Markert, Area 4; Barry Shade, Area 6; Steve Harvey, Area 7; Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator; JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle. Also in attendance were Dylan Thomas from the Southwest Journal and Michael Kotch from the Mpls Mirror.

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM in the Bryn Mawr Elementary cafeteria. A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda including

- Minutes of last month's meeting
- Today's agenda
- Acceptance of Fiscal Report Motion to approve by Shade; seconded by Verrett

3. City Council Report Lisa Goodman

The city made major decisions with regard to the future of the NRP program. The NRP will be a department within the city governance structure. An FAQ sheet for the new governance model is available. Goodman passed out directions for how to apply for one of the seven new neighborhood and community

engagement commission positions.

No lunch with Lisa in November or December. City has baseline estimate of how many cars might be using the frontage road on the south side of 394 heading west.

4. Police Liaison Update- Tim Hammett

Distributed Part One Crime statistics for January 1 - October 31. Burglary is still the continuing problem, although it has dropped since the spike earlier this year. The department is still available to conduct security audits. A weak point for many is the lack of strike plates on outer doors. There is a need to upgrade these. Etz asked about the process for getting speed indicators in the neighborhood. Wycoff suggested calling 311. Hammett will look into getting speed indicators, either electronic boards or speed guns.

5. Presentation of Neighborhood Photos- Robin Perez

Perez, a creative writer and photographer, presented a photo series of the Bryn Mawr neighborhood. She is profiling Minneapolis neighborhoods.

6. Activity report Neighborhood Coordinator- Patty Wycoff

Saturnalia is December 13 in downtown Bryn Mawr. Wycoff distributed a sign-up sheet for board members to volunteer to help during the event. The event might be curtailed somewhat this year due to rising costs and the loss of Bloomsbury's support. There will be hayrides, roasting chestnuts, and s'mores. Call Patty to help. The board discussed what other support we might lend

the BMNA Business Association for this event in the future. Right now people power is most needed. At this date there are 68 households signed up for the energy competition. Metro Blooms is hosting rain garden workshops in March, funded by the City of Minneapolis. The Harvest Dinner had record attendance.

7. Capital Project Update-Jessica Wiley

The committee will continue to take ideas until they meet in January to select projects to bring to the January BMNA meeting for approval.

8. Update on Bugle review.

A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 18.

9. Designation of NRP Elector for Bryn Mawr.

Banken moved and Shade seconded to elect Smude and Sterbenz as primary and secondary electors for Bryn Mawr on November 20. They will represent Bryn Mawr at the meeting to elect candidates to the NRP committee for protection neighborhoods. Candidates can be reviewed on the web; there is a link from our website.

Committee Reports

10. Land Use Committee -

Possehl reported. The committee has not met as no variance requests were received. There is robust participation; in the last months new members have joined the committee.

11. NRP related committee reports-

- Housing Committee-no report
- Traffic Committee-We will send on the ideas generated during the police liaison report.

• Parks and Rec Committee-no report on the web at

• Schools Committee- Wiley and Jolstad reported. Open gym Tuesdays from 6-8 through April. School referendum passed handily. The School Board re-structure also passed; there will be a nine-member board.

10. BFR Committee

• Treasurer's report- Smude reported. Not sending an end-of-year request for support. Fundraising kicked off in January, 2009-could pair this with the new Capital Project. New directory this year-discussed ways to let neighbors know that this is coming and how the directory should look.

11. Reports from BMNA Representatives to affiliate groups

- ROC- Possehl reported. Ryan Companies were appointed "developers of choice" for the piece of land referred to as the banana.
- SWLRT- Shade reported. The EIS hearing was held a month ago; the process takes 18 months. Shade resubmitted comments about having a stop in Bryn Mawr if the LRT runs through the neighborhood, having good access, safety issues, and not interfering with the Kenilworth trail.

12. Discussion Items and Announcements

Board members need to sign a conflict of interest statement.

13. Adjourned at 8:50 PM

Submitted by Jessica Wiley for Lisa Mills