



# BMNA Reporter

BMNA Minutes  
February 10, 2010

Present: Marlin Possehl, President; Ben Horn, Co-Treasurer, Adam Maki, Co-Treasurer; Greg Froehle, Area 1; Lynda Shaheen; Area 2; Jessica Wiley, Area 3; Rick Carter, Area 3; Chris Etz, Area 4; Dave Logsdon, Area 5; Jay Peterson, Area 6; Barry Shade, Area 6; Andrew Kraling, Area 7; Steve Harvey, Area 7; JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle editor/Community Schools Liaison; Scott McLaughlin, NRP chair, Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator,

Guests in attendance: George Seebach, Area 2; Jeanne Carter, Area 3; Vida Ditter, Area 6; Lisa Goodman, City Council Rep; Dylan Thomas, Southwest Journal

## Call to order and introductions

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 in the Bryn Mawr Elementary Media Center. A quorum was present. Introductions made.

## Approval of consent

Approved with additions to the agenda, Moved by Rick, second by Chris.

## City Updates- City Council-Member Lisa Goodman

- Lunch with Lisa topic on February 24 will be the Curry Avenue partnership to work on homelessness.  
- City assessor reminds us that home evaluations are out. Questions should be raised now if you have a

question about the evaluation of your home.  
- There are now parking restrictions on the even sides of residential streets for the rest of the winter. This is the first time in 9 years that this has been invoked.  
- City will be gathering input for light rail stations' planning; pulling together station area planning committees with representatives from the neighborhood.

## Neighborhood Coordinator Update-Patty Wycoff

- New welcome packets are ready; call Patty for copies. She will bring them to each meeting.  
- Membership envelopes are coming in.  
- March 17 there will be a meeting in at the school about street repaving and tax assessments.  
- Garden tour is scheduled to be in Bryn Mawr this year but problems with the church renovations may affect parking.

## NRP Report-Scott McLaughlin

The city has extended the date for expending NRP dollars. The goal is to have all dollars encumbered by the end of this year. Scott generated a status report that will be distributed monthly. He will email it to board members. Balance is at \$139,013. Dollars could be used for ash borer project. Scott is looking for board members to drive the initiatives, especially parks and housing. Rick and Andrew agreed to work on the housing initiative. Discussed how parks dollars were used in the past such as repairing the blow out area on Bassetts Creek. Area 1 has an issue with the beach parking lot, transportation conflicts,

lack of curb cuts that could be addressed.

## BMNA Event Calendar

Approve 2010 calendar of events-moved by Jay, second by Barry.

## Update on BMNA Community (formally Capital) Projects

- Downtown kiosk project-no news
- Ash Borer project- volunteers looked at 918 addresses and identified 853 ash trees, half on boulevard, 712 medium or large. The committee distributed packets with information about ash trees and the ash borer to 44 of the properties with ash trees on them. They ran out but plan to distribute packets to the rest in the spring.
- New proposals-Rick reported that the committee is accepting new ideas. Committee will make recommendation at March 10 meeting.

## Committee Reports

- **Land Use-**  
- Setback variance-no objections to set back for property on Washburn.  
- Rezoning 2006 Laurel-Rick and Jeanne Carter were present to discuss their efforts to rezone 2006 Laurel as a multiple dwelling with plans to turn the property into a bed and breakfast. Encouraged by land use committee to apply for local historic designation. Going to city planning commission in March. Rick recused himself from Board voting and left the room for the discussion. Moved by Dave, second by Steve to accept land use committee report. Moved by Jessica, second by JoEllyn to submit BMNA board letter to the senior city planner supporting 2006 Laurel rezoning from R1 to R3 as recommended by land use committee. Discussed letter. Steve raised the question as to whether this fits with our process. Clarified that the board is not supporting a variance from a rule, but supporting changing the rule. The board discussed the importance of saving an historic property. Letter approved 5/4.

- **Traffic-no report**
- **Parks and Rec-no report**
- **Schools Committee-Lynda Shaheen**  
- Committee met on January 25.

- Planning an informational meeting for March 23. Two representatives from the district, Willie Fort and Courtney Kiernat, will attend and describe the changes that have impacted Bryn Mawr. Suggestions for invitations to the meeting were given, including IB representative from Anwatin and PTA representatives.

- Approval of school committee leadership structure. Proposed that the committee be composed of two members from each area with no at-large committee members. Moved by Rick second by Scott.

- February 27—"Bail out the Band" event at Lee's Liquor Lounge.

- **Bugle Report –written report given.** \$320 worth of donated space in February.
- **BFR-no report**

## Treasurers Report/Budget presentation

Income exceeded expenses by \$11,000 for 2009. Bugle revenue was \$14,788; expenses \$17,298.

2010 budget –used 2009 numbers. Membership drive is in full swing; to date we have raised between \$8000 and \$9000. Approximately 200 households have donated, with 20 being new members. Area reps asked to get a list of non-member neighbors. The treasurers' report will be moved to the top of the agenda for next month.

## Reports from BMNA Reps to Affiliated groups-

BCV-ROC— no report  
SWLRT-no report  
Cedar Lake Parks-no report

## Discussion Items and Announcements

Announcements about the redistricting committee and Juneteenth celebration were deferred to March meeting.

Adjourned at 8: 50 PM

*Submitted by Jessica Wiley, interim secretary.*

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