



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

6:30– 8:00 PM

Bryn Mawr Elementary School Cafeteria

Vice President Brian Treece called the meeting to Order and proceeded with Introductions. A quorum was present.

Brian Treece – Vice President
James Dietrich - Secretary
Dennis Fazio – Treasurer

Jeremy Staffeld - Webmaster
Lynda Shaheen – Communications
JoEllyn Jolstad – Bugle Editor

Jessica Wiley
Timbre
Jay Peterson

Guests

Rowena Holmes

Sue Verrett moved to approve the agenda. Seconded. Motion Carried.

Jay Peterson moved to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded. Motion carried.

Dennis Fazio provided and presented the Treasurer's Report. Dennis Fazio moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded. Motion carried.

Lynda Shaheen presented on Communications and Fundraising. Lynda is starting on her second year in the role. Member night at Uteplis was successful, reaching 60 renewals and 17 new members. Also included sticker and T-shirt sales. \$755 in donations and \$185 in sales total. Sip and Stroll is tomorrow night and the after party will be held at La Mesa. Thirteen business are participating.

Event Coordinator Report by Molly Erdmann report read by Brian Treece in absentia. Horses have been reserved. Dates for Harvest Dinner is set.

JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle editor, provided an update. Need Board volunteers to write articles. Some turnover in the local distribution of the bugle. No edition in January so get your postings in soon.

Webmaster Jeremy Staffeld reported that the online store has been updated to allow for easier sales process. Wordpress has been upgraded, and server needs to be upgraded by the server host. Live Streaming has not gone as hoped. Issue with hosting and recording. Bmna.org/monthly-meeting-streaming to view previous months recordings.

Community Projects update by Jessica Wiley. Doggie stations are up and being used. The sign for the Mosaic piece has been posted. Suggested projects for next year are now being accepted. Email Jessica if you have an idea you'd like to suggest.

Sip and Stroll tomorrow, 11/20, Saturnalia is December 14th.

The City performed a financial overview of BMNA and provided findings. One was that we have 5 independent contractors, and that BMNA is able to justify for the IRS the reasons for having independent contractors instead of employees.

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Gateway Art (temp committee) – volunteered to join the Gateway Art committee.

Two of the three armed robbery suspects involved in the Laurel Ave armed robbery have been apprehended. There seems to be suspicious activity on Chestnut between Russell and Sheridan. Reminder, please lock your doors. A question was posed as to the safety plan for the light rail. Rowena Holmes spoke to several contractors engaged in securing the area under construction.

Questions were posed as to security for the former CenturyLink building as there has been some break ins, and vehicular trespassing. There has not been a tenant identified yet.

Taste of Anwatin is coming and Molly has been actively working on the event. MPLS Public Schools is contemplating changes. Lynda Shaheen will continue to report on that.

If anyone would like specific notes on the Light Rail, they can request emails from Barry Schade. Jeremy Staffeld will create a blog post on BMNA.org that individuals can follow and subscribe to.

Lolita Davis Conrad works for the state. She is an auditor. For the City of Minneapolis, she is commissioner, MCE Chair. lldaviscarter@outlook.com

Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements

With nothing further, Brian Treece adjourned the meeting at 7:30.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, November 13th, 2019
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Upcoming Events: Sip and Stroll, October 10th
Harvest Dinner, November 20th

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