



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Church (Basement)

1. Call to Order & Introductions

by President Kevin Thompson.

The following Board Members, Staff and Committee Members attended the meeting:

Kevin Thompson-President
Jessica Wiley-Vice-President
Sandie Gay-Secretary
Dave Holets-Area 1 Rep
Susan Verrett-Area 2 Rep
Brian Treece-Area 3 Co-Rep
Dennie Juillerat-Area 3 Co-Rep
Vida Ditter-Area 6 Co-Rep
Jay Peterson-Area 6 Co-Rep
Barry Shade-Area 6 Co-Rep
Steve Harvey-Area 7 Rep
Jeremy Staffeld-Webmaster
Patty Wycof-Neighborhood Coordinator

The following guests attended the meeting:

Lee Munnich-Area 2
Winston Wildebush-Area 7 and Member of ROC
Inspector Mike Friestlein-4th Precinct MPD
Rowena Holmes-MPD
Michael Martens-Area 6
Diane Asby-Area 3
Anita Tabb-Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
Cliff Swenson-Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
Lisa Beck-Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board
Beth Grosen-CPED
Jim Voll-CPED

2. Agenda was approved.

3. Minutes of last month's meeting were approved.

4. Bryn Mawr Meadows Discussion/Update on Basset's Creek Park—A. Tabb, staff.

Basset Creek Park Project-It will begin in the fall of 2015 for upgrade of playground area for a budget of \$450,000. The scope is to replace playground and to mitigate low areas. Tennis Court to west side of Basset Creek to be improved. Improvement of trail access will be done if funds will allow. There will be an initial meeting to kick off planning process. There already is a core group for planning of Basset Creek Park (Chestnut Park). Jessica has list of people that are interested in working on this project and will forward to Anita. Construction will start in about a year.

Bryn Mawr Meadows Project-In 2019, a major project to upgrade the Meadows will begin with a budget of \$3.5 million. The typical procedure will be followed to appoint a CAC so neighborhoods will be involved with a series of public meetings. Because it is also a regional park, overall planning will be done to address regional issues.

Current maintenance issues such as standing water will be dealt with by using soils corrections, raising benches, more grading and redistribution of soils. Jessica will send a list of issues from neighborhood residents to Anita.

Walkway and trail mitigation project did not go forward because could not get contractors to bid. Park Board is considering using gravel for mitigation.

5. Basset Creek Valley Land Use Changes—Beth Grosen , Jim Voll

Zoning changes will allow more flexibility of land use. Some land changed to Mixed Use which will allow low intensity, high job zoning for business use. Bottineau area planning is proceeding along with changing zoning. The costs to mitigate soils for residential is higher than for mixed use.

The vote on changing zoning to Mixed Use in selected areas in Basset Creek Master Plan passed.

6. MPD Reports:

Rowena Holmes reported that crime is down in Bryn Mawr. The biggest concerns theft from vehicles. She suggests a campaign to let people know how important it is to take items out of cars and lock doors. Inspector Friestlein reported burglaries are occurring from open garages and unlocked cars. The park shooting is an isolated incident. Policeman on horseback have been patrolling in BM neighborhood. Cops also patrolling on foot. MPD increasing presence of cops to combat crime.

7. Standing Committee Reports

Communications-

Four requests out for design firms, one interview so far, next meeting may have recommendations.

Events -Jessica

Committee agreed to hold the Garden Tour every other year. Patty will be the point person. Date established as July 16, 2016. Area Reps and Master Gardeners will identify 10-12 gardens by December. Identify gardens, ticket sales, advertising, post-party planning are four areas to be addressed.

8. CPP/NPP Update/NRP Strategy Changes—Nick Cichowicz/Jessica Wiley

The board voted to move \$33,500 from the NRP strategies of home Improvement, senior housing, education, safety of parks, Fruen Mill access, and Mpls Sports Arts to three focus areas; BMNA communication efforts, neighborhood environment, and neighborhood coordinator and administration.

As reported in the July Bugle, NRP has been discontinued by the city and funds available to neighborhoods have been in escrow. During meetings in August 2014 and June 2015 with city staff, we were encouraged to repurpose funds for current projects, as the city is anxious to close out NRP remaining dollars.

9. ROC Update—Vida Ditter

Abdo property has agreed to buy Leaf Development. Phase 1-All

rental with 49 units, Phase 2- Build town houses, Phase 3-Develop east side. Rentals are designed to be converted to condos. There will be an indoor play area, Larry Abdo owns Nicollet Island Inn.

10. SWLRT Update—Vida Ditter/Barry Schade

Citizen's Advisory Committee is connecting with neighborhoods. There are good station designs. Barry, Jay and Vida are a good team. They sent a letter out opposing deleting Penn Station and it remained in plans. August 27 is date of a public meeting at the public library downtown.

11. Variance Notice

1415 Cedar Lake Parkway-Overlooks Brownie Lake.

12. Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements

- Daycare building sold, and the plan is to move daycare out to remodel first floor for a shop.
- Solar issue is still alive.
- Music in Park-Go to Park and Recreation Board web site for schedule.

13. Adjourn

8:45 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, September 9, 2015 7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary Cafeteria



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Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Elementary (Cafeteria)

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Kevin called meeting to order.

The following board members and staff attended the meeting:

Kevin Thompson-President
Jessica Wiley-Vice President
Dennis Fazio-Treasurer
Sandie Gay-Secretary
Susan Verrett-Area 2 Co-Rep
Brian Treece-Area 3 Co-Rep
Dennie Juillerat-Area 3 Co-Rep
Beth Turnbull-Area 5 Rep
Barry Schade-Area 6 Co-Rep
Jay Peterson-Area 6 Co-Rep
Steve Harvey-Area 7 Rep
Patty Wycof-Neighborhood Coordinator
JoEllyn Jolstad-Bugle Editor

The following guests attended the meeting:

Lisa Goodman-City of Minneapolis
Sally Rouse-Area 3

2. Approval of today's agenda.

Moved, seconded and passed.

3. Approval of minutes of last month's meeting.

Moved, seconded and passed.

4. City of Minneapolis:

Councilmember Lisa Goodman's Report

- Lunch with Lisa-Sept. 30 at Terrance Murphy Hall # 255 at College of St. Thomas with Peter Brown presenting the Nicollet Mall Final Design and Wayfinding. On Oct 21, Steve Simon, Secretary of State, will discuss the Voting Rights Act at St. Thomas School of Law-MSL 238.

- Cedar Lake Parkway-Will be resurfaced after Twin City Marathon.
- 252 Xerxes Avenue-Plans have been revised and another neighbor- hood meeting will be held.
- 1415 Cedar Lake Parkway-Variance was approved.
- 1252 Brownie- Was postponed.
- Removal of buckthorn will start in SW corner of Theodore Wirth Park and will move north.

5. Basset Creek Valley Land Use Changes follow-up - Kevin Thompson

- Kevin went over the detailed list submitted by Vida Ditter and other BMNA associated reps to the Basset Creek ROC in response to the vote at the August BMNA meeting sup- porting zoning changes from residential to mixed use in select areas of the Basset Creek Valley. The list included:
 - Support for mixed use in the areas indicated.
 - Creation of a business park west of Van White with expansion on east side.
 - With SW extension of Girard Avenue, park/commons changes to linear design.
 - Undesirable industrial uses include junk yards, lumber yards, car repair, etc.
 - Encourage unique businesses to visit ROC and neighborhood associations.
 - The board opted not to take any action on the additional items other than support for mixed use in the areas previously indicated. The board supports charging its reps to the ROC with reviewing and informing the board on future development/building proposals in the Val- ley.
 - BMNA wishes to affirm its commitment to promoting development in the valley, as outlined in the amended BCV Master Plan.

6. Garden of Hope and Peace Update/Proposal-Dennis Fazio

- Design has been expanded. Need final approval from church. Estimate October dedication.
- Dennis Fazio moved to allocate up to \$10,000, to add to the existing UPS and Basinski family funds, for the construction and maintenance of the Garden of Hope and Healing. Funds may be turned over to the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in an amount as needed and negotiated between the Garden of Hope and Peace Committee and the Church for perpetual care, upkeep, repair and maintenance. Jay second- ed. Motion passed.

7. Neighborhood Coordinator Report-Patty Wycoff

- Delivered 30 welcome packets using coupons which will be updated. Bike trail maps have been added. Welcome letter was added
- Sip and Stroll-Will occur from 6pm to 9:00pm on Thursday, October 8th.
- Have not reached membership goal. Reps were encouraged to actively look for new members.
- Harvest Dinner will be Oct 29th.

8. Bugle Report: JoEllyn Jolstad

- Not as many color ads, may come back.
- Long time subscription manager stepped down, so, looking for a replacement.
- The first Fascinating Folks article was published.

9. Standing Committee Reports

Communications-

2 of 3 design firms have been inter- viewed. The third candidate will be interviewed soon. There should be a recommendation at next meeting.

Schools

The two new principals were invited to come to the Harvest Dinner. The Craft Fair will again be at the Taste of Anwatin December 10. School Committee meeting on September 17. .

Gardens

The committee is asking that Area Reps nominate 2-3 gardens per Area to be reviewed.

10. CPP/NPP Update-Nick Cichowicz/Jessica Wiley

A meeting with Stacey is planned to sort out the money due to BMNA. It may be necessary to revisit vote allocating City money as the dollar amounts changed.

11. SWLRT Update- Barry Schade

- In 2016, time to start moving dirt with construction to start in 2017. Art was removed as a fundable effort when cuts were made. An initiative is in place to work art into sites.

12.Adjourn8:45 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, October 7, 2015
7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary Cafeteria

UPCOMING EVENTS: Sip and Stroll-October 8

Harvest Dinner-October 29