



## **BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, June 10, 2015

7:00– 8:45 PM

**Bryn Mawr Church (Basement)**

### **1. Call to Order, Introductions-**

7:02 by Jessica Wiley, Vice-President

#### **The following Board Members, Staff and Committee Members attended:**

Jessica Wiley-Vice-President  
Dennis Fazio-Treasurer  
Sandie Gay-Secretary  
Dave Holets-Area 1 Rep  
Susan Verrett-Area 2 Co-Rep  
Brian Treece-Area 3 Co-Rep  
Joan Michalec-Area 4 Rep  
Beth Turnbull-Area 5 Rep  
Barry Schade-Area 6 Co-Rep  
Vita Ditter-Area 6 Co-Rep  
Jay Peterson-Area 6 Co-Rep  
Steve Harvey-Area 7 Rep  
JoEllyn Jolstad-Bugle Editor  
Patty Wycof-Neighborhood Coordinator  
Jeremy Staffeld-Webmaster  
Nick Cichowicz-CPP Chair  
Nadine Thuel-Garden Committee

#### **The following guests attended:**

Kathryn Kaatz-Memorial Bench  
Michael Martens-Area 6 Neighbor  
Lisa Goodman-City of Minneapolis

### **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**

- No Lunch with Lisa during summer.
- Variances for 2 Queen approved.
- Sidewalk replacement going quickly in Bryn Mawr

## 5. Treasurer's Report

Adoption of policies (Records Retention, Competitive Bid)-Explained by Vice President Wiley. Asked for questions and received none. Dennis moved, seconded and passed. Additional Corporate Credit Card- Easier for Patty. Purchases still will require preapproval. Dennis moved, seconded and passed.

Discussion of office re-location in Uptown Community space vs. save money with smaller space at current location. Dennis reported-BMNA is using some services but not the office space. New Uptown Community space could be alternative. It would give us an address and space for a phone. At current location, we can change from an office space to a cubicle. We would have some storage, an address, and a location for a phone. Dennis suggested we supply the Uptown space with a projector and screen and put in Wi- Fi. The officers met to discuss and recommend that at this time we downsize to the cubicle space at the current location. Con-future plans not completely known, may not get what we need, non- HC toilet in basement with poor access down poorly designed stairs. The toilet and stairs could be upgraded. Difficult parking downtown. Pros-Connecting with Areas 1 & 2 by having space in office building on Wayzata Blvd. Neither space would be used for Board Meetings, only for committee meetings or work areas. The City has no problem with BMNA working with a business owner.

## 6. Memorial Bench update: Kathryn Kaatz

Liability is arranged for church to be custodian and will maintain it. BMNA will be fiscal agent and invoiced for expenses. There is a design of stone bench, engraving and landscaping. \$7100 for every- thing including landscaping, \$2500 shy of funds. The Committee is contacting UPS for financial support since they originally pledged \$10,000 for former plans. Drawings will go up in the church's foyer for fund raising. September 27th is the anniversary of the shooting. "Memorial of Hope and Healing" has been replaced with new design.

## 7. Bugle Report: JoEllyn Jolstad

Color in The Bugle has encouraged more advertisers. The goal is to have enough content for 16 pages. Need Board Members to volunteer to write articles for The Bugle. A sign- up sheet was passed around.

## 8. Standing Committee Reports

### Communications-Jay Peterson

The website will be redone and a search for a web page designer is underway. New Webmaster has put Ice Cream Social on calendar and doing some updating of the current design. Four groups will be inter- viewed and. invitations will be sent to Board Members to attend.

### Schools-Jessica Wiley

There are new Principals for both Bryn Mawr Elementary and Anwatin Middle School and also a new Assistant Principal at Bryn Mawr.

**Gardens- Nadine Thuel reported** Contract is signed for maintenance of Bryn Mawr Gardens. Field gave a detailed response with a \$21000 bid which was scaled back. A neighbor signed up for watering the hedge. The Newton triangle is planted and mulched and the Committee is talking to businesses to maintain their adjacent gardens. The maintenance company was

hired for hedge pruning, some watering and a redesign in front of Market and Gas Station. An article for Bugle will be written to solicit volunteers. Explain plan in article. Social media sites can be used for communication.

### **Community Projects-**

- Buckthorn Project-ongoing.
- Mural of history of Bryn Mawr-will be a free-standing format with panels and collage of photos, painting intersections.
- Big Belly trash can compactor is in planning stage

### **Membership-**

Some are still coming in.

## **9. CPP/NPP Update NCEC Elections—Nick Cichowicz/ Jessica Wiley-CCP**

Meeting next week at 6pm on Tues- day. NCEC elections on June 18th at 6:30. Nick is running in District 5. Patty Wycoff was nominated and elected as an elector to represent our neighborhood.

## **10. ROC Update—Vida Ditter**

ROC is waiting for Abdo Properties and hasn't met for several months. The design was nice but ran into soil issues. In mid-July will be next meeting. Ryan is waiting on resolution of SWLRT station.

## **11. SWLRT Update, Penn Station issues—Vida Ditter/Barry Schade**

The Metropolitan Council has mandated that \$340,000,000 be cut from project. Presented four scenarios being explored. A letter was sent from BMNA pointing out unfairness of plan. CAC will make a recommendation by end of month.

## **12. Neighborhood Coordinator- Patty Wycoff-**

The Annual Meeting and Garage Sale reports are in The Bugle. Hydrants are connected but the hose is missing so, Patty is buying another hose.

July 15-Ice Cream Social. Patty will be contacting Board Members to volunteer.

## **13. Community Solar Gardens— Barry Schade-**

Dennis and Barry along with two neighbors went to the workshop. The City is going forward with some projects and may have a short list of contractors. Some neighborhoods are going ahead.

## **14. Discussion Items, New Business, Updates, and Announcements-**

Area 3 sidewalk replacement is done. They are on Area 5, now, and are moving fast.

## **15. Adjourn- 8:33 p.m.**

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, July 8, 2015  
7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, basement

UPCOMING EVENTS:  
Ice Cream Social, July 15th.