

#### **BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

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 Rousse-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