



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

6:30– 8:00 PM

Google Meet/Virtual Meeting

Board and Staff

Kevin Thompson – President
Brian Treece – Vice President
James Dietrich - Treasurer
Jessica Wiley – Secretary
Liv Nielsen – Area 1 Co-Rep
Karen Frederickson - Area 2 Co-Rep
Sue Verrett – Area 2 Co -Rep
Allison Fruen – Area 3 Co-Rep
Joanne Michalec - Area 4 Co-Rep

Chris Etz – Area 4 Co-Rep
Colleen Dhennin - Area 5 Co-Rep
Beth Turnbull Area 5 - Co-Rep
Jay Peterson - Area 6 Co-Rep
Rod Miller - Area 6 Co-Rep
Barry Schade – Area 6 Co-Rep
Stephen Harvey – Area 7 Co-Rep
JoEllyn Jolstad – Bugle Editor
McKenzie Erickson – Event Coordinator
Lynda Shaheen – Communication/Fundraising Coordinator

Guests:

Lisa Goodman – Minneapolis City Councilperson
Torie Stone – MPD
Grant Snyder - MPD
Charlie Adams - MPD
Ben Gansky - Area 6
Haven Stephens – Area 6
David Dayton – Area 7
Melissa Croft
John Pierce
Solomon Lubke

1. Call to Order at 6:31 PM.
2. Agenda approval moved, seconded. Motion carried.
3. Minutes from December 9, 2020 moved, seconded. Motion carried.
4. City of Minneapolis -Councilmember Lisa Goodman. Lunch with Lisa will continue to be virtual. Michelle Rivero, Director of Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs will be featured. The tour of the Dayton's project is still online. Penn Avenue sewer project delayed. CPP minimum funding was secured for all neighborhoods at \$25,900. Sees a renewed commitment from Council to neighborhoods; clear that neighborhood associations have been extremely valuable in communicating during civil unrest and the pandemic. Special meeting hosted January 14 by Met Council on SWLRT. Next phase of work on the tunnel will be loud and disruptive and the wall has caused the project to go over budget and delayed completion. Welcomed and praised Lt. Grant Snyder and Lt. Charlie Adams as new leadership in the 4th Precinct.
5. Crime Prevention Specialist–MPD Torie Stone. Lt Adams and Lt Snyder introduced themselves. Good news - no Part I incidents to report in the last month. The Crime Prevention Specialist position being moved into NCR (Neighborhood

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Community Relations) department. Will continue to work with neighborhoods in the same capacity. Asked for feedback on what is going well and areas for improvement.

6. Treasurer Report/2021 Budget Adoption – JD Dietrich. Treasurer’s report. Sent out brief written report. Will present end-of-year report in February. Proposed 2021 budget moved and seconded. Motion carried. Discussed need for flexibility as CoVid plays out. Jay discussed importance of the Bugle and our commitment to fund it.
7. Emeritus Board Member Nomination and Board Member Resignation – Kevin Thompson. Kevin proposed that Vida Ditter be approved as our first Emeritus Board Member. Vida has been involved for many years and has held various positions with the BMNA. She will bring a great perspective to Board discussions. Moved, seconded. Motion carried. Accepted the resignation of Dave Holets, Area 1. Dave has been a longtime board member and we thank him for his service. He will continue to volunteer with the Bugle and gardens.
8. Communications and Fundraising Report - Lynda Shaheen. Lynda was interviewed by Mill City Times for an online piece featuring the neighborhood. Link will be shared. Good feedback on the holiday lights tour. School open houses and school choice information has been shared. Had increased Spirit wear orders during the holidays. Still collecting responses to feedback survey. Bugle Scavenger Hunt well received. For fundraising, an end -of-year appeal was sent. Will begin 2021 mailing campaign this winter. Using a new printer, a Black owned business in Uptown.
9. Event Report – McKenzie Erickson. Activities at a distance have been successful. The Holiday Lights Tour had 43 houses registered. Winner announced in the Bugle. Winter coloring sheet due January 15. Hoping to do a February/March activity.
10. Bugle - JoEllyn Jolstad. The deadline for articles/ads is the 20th.
11. Webmaster – Jeremy Stafford. No report.
12. Committee Reports

- Communications - Jay Peterson. Google emails have been a challenge, but we think we have solved the issues.
 - Community Projects - Jessica Wiley. Community Projects committee will be meeting at the end of January. Have 7-8 robust proposals.
 - Events – Brian Treece. No report.
 - Finance/Membership – JD Dietrich. Approved proposed budget.
 - Gardens – Dennie Juillerat. No report.
 - Gateway Project – Karen Frederickson/Dennis Juillerat/JD Dietrich. No report.
 - Elections – Brian Treece. No report.
 - Racial Justice – Kate Knuth/McKenzie Erickson/Jessica Wiley. A written report for 2020 initiatives was submitted. Wanted to give recognition to the committee for their swift response to the racial justice issues presented this year. Thank the board for committing \$3000 for the work. All six initiatives were addressed over the past 7 months. Highlights included the IRP process and how this has been operationalized by the BMNA.
 - Safety/Traffic – Chris Etz. There is a new radar speed sign on Ewing and Franklin. It is not our repossessed sign. Been in contact with our Park Board rep about conflict between walkers and skiers in Wirth Park. Commissioner Cowgill has suggested a post season review with Loppet leadership and neighborhood reps. Lynda and McKenzie would like to be a part of that to talk about BMNA working with the Loppet. No ATVs are allowed in the park except vehicles grooming. Discussed stoplights at Cedar Lake Road and Penn, and at Cedar Lake Rd and Cedar Lake Parkway. Chris will explore having the lights at Cedar Lake Rd and Cedar Lake Road go back to flashing red. Proposed that we form a Parks committee.
13. Schools – Lynda Shaheen. Schools Committee met this past week. Two neighbors with young children attended. Focus on educating about the changing schools boundaries work and school choice cards. Will be working on getting families together in the future and including articles in the Bugle on families who attend/attended the neighborhood schools.
 14. Other Standing Committee Reports (as needed)
 - ROC/Bassett Creek Valley Update
 - SWLRT Update
 15. Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements
 - Chris Etz reported that a Cedar Lake and Lake of the Isles master planning meeting will take place on January 25. Will cover the resiliency of Cedar Lake.
 - Question about a possible crosswalk at Glenwood and Vincent for those crossing to Wirth.

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16. Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: **Wednesday, February 10, 2021**

Upcoming Events:

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