



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

6:30– 8:15 PM

Google Meet/Virtual Meeting

Board and Staff

Kevin Thompson – President
Brian Treece – Vice President
Roberta Jordan – Treasurer
Jessica Wiley – Secretary
Liv Nielsen – Area 1 Co-Rep
Scott Graham – Area 1 Co-Rep
Karen Frederickson - Area 2 Co-Rep
Sue Verrett – Area 2 Co -Rep
Allison Fruen – Area 3 Co-Rep
Dennie Juillerat - Area 3 Co-Rep
Colleen Dhennin - Area 5 Co-Rep
Beth Turnbull - Area 5 Co-Rep

Bridget Bergheger - 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
Kate Knuth – Area 7 Co-Rep
Anthony Ramirez – Area 7 Co-Rep
Vida Ditter - Emeritus
JoEllyn Jolstad – Bugle Editor
Lynda Shaheen – Communication/Fundraising Coordinator
McKenzie Erickson – Event Coordinator
Jeremy Staffeld - Webmaster

Guests:

Lisa Goodman – Minneapolis City Councilperson
Bill Magnuson – Crime Prevention Specialist, MPD
Emma Pachuta - Minneapolis Park Board
Lolita Ulloa - Hennepin County Deputy Attorney
Tom Arneson - Hennepin County Juvenile Division Managing Attorney
Mary and Nance Duffy – Area 1
Pat Venus – Area 1
John Davenport – Area 1
Susu Jeffries – Area 2
Allison Reese – Area 3
Buddy Scroggins – Area 3
Lynn Marasco – Area 3
Marcia Glick - Area 4
Anne Reiber – Area 4
Lisa Heidenreich – Area 4
Jenny Schmitz – Area 5
Dave Dutcher – Area 5

Haven Stephens – Area 6
R Michael Martens – Area 6
Richard and Connie Adair – Area 6
Bill Miner – Area 6
Abby Kane – Area 6
Laura Wade – Area 6
Paul Pentel – Area 6
Beth Frankman - Area 6
Molly Dengler – Area 7
Jennifer Kaufman – Area 7
William Emory – Office of Hennepin County Commissioner
Irene Fernando
Liz Sawyer – Reporter, Star Tribune
Patrick
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1. Call to Order at 6:30 PM.

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2. Agenda approval moved, seconded. Motion carried.
3. Minutes from December 8, 2021, moved, seconded. Motion carried.
4. City of Minneapolis -Councilperson Lisa Goodman. City Council selected new council president. Lisa was asked to stay on as chair of Business, Inspection, Housing, and Zoning (BIZ) Committee, three committees combined into one. Variance requested on Drew near Cedar Lake. City Council has extended declaration of covid emergency, means most meetings will be online. Mayor announced vaccine requirement for places/venues that sell food. Lunch with Lisa will be in person this month. City Council adopted its budget in December. \$2.6 million increase in youth programming for park and rec board; will address issues of youth involved in crime. Behavioral Crisis Response pilot project. \$8 million contract with Canopy Roots, will be operating from 7:30 -midnight. Hiring community service officers; college students working towards law enforcement licensure. Community Connections conference is being postponed until May. Sign up for Ward 7 Newsletter through Lisa's office. Newsletters are sent out on Fridays. Making every effort to keep communities informed but also have accurate information. Works closely with BMNA to put out timely, accurate information.
<https://www.minneapolismn.gov/government/city-council/ward-7/newsletters/>
5. Cedar Lake Master Plan Update – Emma Pachuta, Minneapolis Park Board. Released draft of master plan concepts. In early stages of design phase. 2 concepts, no final decisions made: great time for input. 6 guiding principles -protect, invite, connect, tell stories, celebrate, and respect. Discussed both concepts and priorities of each. Proposing lake restoration; keeping Cedar Lake wild, maintaining Lake of the Isles, with pockets of gathering spaces at both lakes. Both concepts propose making the skating warming house permanent. Looking at rerouting traffic at both lakes, either temporarily or permanently. Discussed possibility of formalizing trails for walking around Cedar Lake. Can take online survey, attend open houses, and give input through March. www.minneapolisparcs.org/cedar-isles Video that gives overview of design: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V8N_IQ272fs. Online survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/cedar-isles-initial-concepts>. Emma Pachuta, epachuta@minneapolisparcs.org 612-499-3711.
6. Crime Prevention Specialist–William Magnuson, MPD. No Part I crimes reported for January 1, 2022 – January 12, 2022. Part I crimes involve victims. First Crime and Safety meeting was held in January. Next one is February 2. 6:30 virtual for now. Link from Communication Coordinator. Block Club Leader training January 22. Home Security workshop and personal safety workshops can be offered. Sign up -<https://www.bmna.org/safety/>
7. Update on Arrests and Charges at Bryn Mawr Market Robbery – Lolita Ulloa, Hennepin County Deputy County Attorney/Tom Arneson, Hennepin County Juvenile Division Managing Attorney. Tom reported that 4 juveniles, ages 14,15, 16, 17, were arrested and charged in the Bryn Mawr Market robbery. They remain in custody. Age impacts what can be said about the cases; information about suspects younger than 16 is private. The cases against the 16/17-year-olds are public. The 16/17-year-olds have been charged with aggravated robbery in the first degree, and second-degree assault with a firearm resulting in substantial bodily harm; both are serious charges. Filed motions to have 16/17-year-olds prosecuted as adults. Tom addressed questions from neighbors. Can only discuss facts of the case that are public. Talked about what constitutes charge of attempted murder. There was video of the incident; has been reviewed. Will continue to look at the possibility for higher charges if warranted. Have victim support services to work with the Market owners, employees, and victims. Victims do get access to the progress of the case and are kept informed. Shared stats on cases coming into the office. Have charged 85% of cases that have come from law enforcement; considered a high rate. Have a robust diversion program in juvenile system for low-level misdemeanors and property crimes to keep juveniles out of jail and prevent further crimes, good success rates. Do not use the diversion program for violent crimes. Lolita articulated the processes the office uses to support victims. Addressed misinformation about car jacking suspect arrests and releases; addressed repeat offenders.
lolita.ulloa@hennepin.us 612-348-5355
8. Treasurer – Roberta Jordan. Presented year-end Profit and Loss for 2021. Posted on the website. Reminded Board members that we received both 2020 and 2021 CPP dollars in 2021, so the profit looks greater than it actually is. Jessica moved to approve the 2022 budget. Second by Jay. Motion approved. City is giving us an additional \$5000 for 2022.
<https://www.bmna.org/association/bmna-finance-policy/>
9. Communications and Fundraising Report - Lynda Shaheen. See email report. Communication avenues continue to grow. Instagram, Twitter, and email lists have increased. Starting membership campaign for 2022. Letter out late January. Can ask city for support for lighting. Up on memberships for the year and item sales.
10. Event Report – McKenzie Erickson. Noted that many young families were at Saturnalia. Thanks to Board members who turned out. Honing in on what events attract specific audiences. Winter Fest coming in late February. Will pivot if needed due to covid. A big thanks to the generosity of The Percolator's over the years. Seeking additional band referrals.

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11. Bugle - JoEllyn Jolstad. The deadline for articles/ads is the 20th, as usual. February is always jam packed due to not having January issue. Discussed ways to reduce Bugle delivery expenses. Northfield printer had a driver on staff; picked up inserts and delivered the paper to the neighborhood. New site delivers by courier; we get a special rate but it's expensive.
12. Webmaster – Jeremy Staffeld. Safety being a big issue; link on homepage to go directly to safety page. Updated disc space. Unlimited space. Can upload photos to our galleries. Links and resources pages have been updated.
13. Committee Reports (as needed)
 - Communications - Jay Peterson.
 - Community Projects - Jessica Wiley. Due to budget issues, will not be soliciting new projects for 2022. Will review in future.
 - Events – Brian Treece.
 - Elections - Brian Treece.
 - Finance/Membership – Jessica Wiley. Deb Anderson has resigned as co-treasurer. We thank her for all the work she did on the finances and creating documents that articulate financial processes.
 - Gardens – Dennie Juillerat.
 - Gateway Project – Karen Frederickson/Dennis Juillerat.
 - Parks – Chris Etz/Barry Schade.
 - Racial Justice – Kate Knuth/McKenzie Erickson/Liv Nielson. Thanks to Board for attending the training in December.
 - Traffic Safety– Chris Etz/Rod Miller. Rod moved a letter be sent to the city about concerns we have with the traffic calming process being proposed. Second. Have concerns about time commitment, ability of association to evaluate proposals, and burden this puts on the neighborhood to mediate with neighbors. Motion carried. Can give individual feedback at https://www2.minneapolismn.gov/government/departments/public-works/traffic-parking-services/traffic-calming/?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=
 - Schools –Colleen Dhennin. Schools moving to online learning until January 31.
14. Other Standing Reports (as needed)
 - ROC/Basset Creek Valley Update – Vida Ditter. Meeting January 18 on Zoom. All are welcome. Will be talking about the encampments. Also talking about variance for Curry/Humboldt coffee roasting shop on Glenwood.
 - SWLRT Update. Barry Schade. Watch for the closure of Cedar Lake Parkway during tunneling. Closed for a long time.
15. Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements. Wirth on the Woods. Attempts to remove a large boulder resulted in vibrations. Delivery of glass and steel a problem, delaying progress. Colleen attended a training for a community outreach program for zero waste initiative. There are considerable dollars available but timelines for applying present a problem. Lynda will look at the expectations; Colleen will stay aware in case we can participate in the future.
16. Adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Upcoming Events: Winter Fest February/March 2022

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