



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Elementary School Cafeteria

1. **Call to Order** at 7:02 and **Introductions**

Board Members attending are as follows:

Kevin Thompson-President
Jessica Wiley-Vice President
Dennis Fazio- Treasurer
Sue Verrett- Co- Rep Area 2
Lynda Shaheen- Co-Rep Area 2
Dennis Juillerat - Co-Rep Area 3
Christopher Etz- Co-Rep Area 4
Beth Turnbull – Rep Area 5
Barry Shade- Co-Rep Area 6
Vida Ditter –Co-Rep Area 6
Steve Harvey – Rep Area 7
Patty Wycoff – Neighborhood Coordinator
JoEllyn Jolstad – Bugle Editor

Guests attending are as follows:

Jason Snyder- Bobby and Steve's
Brian Treece- Area 3 neighbor
Jen Boyles - Area 5 neighbor
Ian Traas - Area 5 neighbor
Kathryn Kaatz – Area 3 Garden of Hope and Healing
Matt Pequignot – Area 5 neighbor
Dana Harris-Gonsales – Area 5 neighbor
Scott Minge – Area 5 neighbor rep to Lurie Besikof
Gabe Grout – MPD Officer
Justin Stetson - MPD Officer
Sgt Bill Peterson- Sergeant Officer

2. **Approval of today's agenda.** Moved, seconded by Jessica and Vida and passed.

3. **Approval of minutes** of last month's meeting. Moved, seconded by Sue and Beth and passed.

4. **Treasurer's Report**-Dennis Fazio

- None

5. **City of Minneapolis:** Councilmember Lisa Goodman not available- report via email
Lunch with Lisa March 25 –Downtown Public Realm

6. **I 394/Wayzata Blvd- Repaving Project for Summer 2015:** Ron Rauchle, MNDOT
Nariman Vamaki, MNDOT

Surface will be redone from Hwy 100 to 94. Pavement condition is poor, bridges 50+ years old. Sane lane and frontage roads will also be done. Work will take place summer/fall 2015 from Memorial Day – Labor Day, will be working weekends, one direction at a time, all traffic in the HOV lane. There will be 2 week closures in each direction, east and west, with ramp closed. Frontage roads will not be completely closed. Will be using a diamond grind, quieter than typical concrete, similar noise value to asphalt. Concrete breaks down less quickly than asphalt, 15+ years. Will not be adding sidewalks on south side.

MNDOT public affairs coordinator will be working with us- Patty can send out notifications.

Lyndale Ave Bridge redeck. Full closure of Lyndale Ave bridge over Dunwoody this summer.

7. **Recent Crime in Bryn Mawr**- Rowena Holmes /Safe Officer and Officers from MPD

Please report all crimes- call 311 if not an emergency, 911 if it is an emergency

Rowena distributed copies of the Part 1 crime report. There have been 11 crimes since the beginning of the year. We have the lowest crime rate in the precinct and in the city as a whole. Social media plays a role in how quickly the information gets out which is a good, but gives the impression that crime is rampant in the area which is not accurate.

Protect Yourself - Be diligent

- Lock your car every time you leave it
- Turn on outside lights
- If packages are being delivered, have them delivered to a neighbor if you won't be there

8. **Garden of Hope and Healing** – Kathryn Kaatz and Tami Galvin

Committee members include Kathryn, Tami and Brent Basinski. Realized that the constraints of the original site were preventing the project from continuing. Were approved by the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church to have an installation of a granite bench on their property honoring Keith Basinski. Asking for the neighborhood association to own the bench.

Jessica moved/Beth seconded that the BMNA take ownership of the bench. Discussion: What does ownership mean? The money for the bench will be raised by the committee of GHH. BMNA will be the fiscal agent. Checks will be written by the BMNA. Amenable to the proposal. Tabled the motion until April for clarification of liability insurance, contractor hiring, and maintenance.

9. **Neighborhood Coordinator report:** Jessica reporting for Patty Wycoff
Membership drive going great . Letters are out and returns are coming in.
10. **Bugle Report:** JoEllyn Jolstad
Content is due on the 20th of each month. March issue was all color. Rowena Holmes will write a crime report and Chris Etz will do articles for April. Steve Harvey agreed to write a piece on Davis and Davis.
11. **Standing Committee Reports** (as needed)
 - Communications- Chris Etz- Advertised for webmaster and contractor, getting good response. Meeting on March 26 to review webmaster applications.
 - Schools-Lynda Shaheen- Family Fun night April 24.
 - Garden Committee
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 - Nominations – Jessica Wiley /Dennie Juillerat - Area Reps for 1,3,5,7, VP and Treasurer are up for election this May.
 - Community Projects – Jessica Wiley. Meeting on March 30
 - Events- Jessica Wiley- Committee meeting March 16
 - Membership
12. **CPP/NPP Update-** Nick Cichowicz/Jessica Wiley- no report
13. **ROC Update-** Vida Ditter - advocating for Van White station.
14. **SWL RT-** Barry Shade - Log jam with Park Board is over. One homeowner lawsuit pending.
15. **Community Solar Gardens-** Barry Shade
April 30 workshop –inviting all neighborhoods to send 2 reps to this workshop. Barry is going and will identify 2 other reps.
16. Reports for BMNA Representatives to affiliate groups
17. Discussion Items, New Business, Updates and Announcements
 - Railroad issue—Hennepin County looking to buy the land where the railroad was exploring having trains routed through a variety of communities including Bryn Mawr.
 - Bobbie and Steve’s donated \$500 to the Anwatin STEM program using a grant from Mobil Corp.
18. Adjourned at 8:41PM

NEXT BOARD MEETING: **Wednesday, April 8, 2015**
7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary School, cafeteria