



# BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 11, 2012, 7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Elementary

1. Call to Order and Introductions – President Marlin Poessehl called the meeting to order.  
Attendees are as follows:  
Board Members and Staff:  
Marlin Possehl, President, Sandie Gay, Secretary, Liz Pederson and Dave Holets, Co-Treasurers, Scott McLaughlin, NCEC/NRP Chair, Greg Froehle, Area 1 Rep, Jeanne Carter, Area 3 Rep, Jessica Wiley, Area 3 Rep, Christopher Etz, Area 4 Rep, Dave Logsdon, Area 5 Rep, Barry Schade, Area 6 Rep, Steve Harvey, Area 7, Rep, Andrew Kraling, Area 7 Rep, Patty Wycoff, Neighborhood Coordinator, JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle Editor.  
Guests:  
Lisa Goodman, City of Minneapolis, Dylan Thomas, SW Journal, Vida Ditter, Area 6.
2. Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion made, seconded and passed for the following.
  - o Minutes of last month’s meeting
  - o Today’s Agenda
  - o Acceptance of this month’s Financial Report (available online)
3. City update: Councilmember Lisa Goodman  
Snow Emergency-Snow should be shoveled within 24 hours of snowfall in residential areas and 4 hours in commercial areas. Call 311 if not done.  
Lunch with Lisa- Crime and Safety- Top 100 offenders and how to solve problem. Jan 24<sup>th</sup> at U of St Thomas.  
Public Hearing-Restaurant hearing on Jan 17 at Presbyterian Church. They are planning 32 seats and 16 tables so, over parked. Wine and beer license is ok in their zoning. No negatives from viewpoint of City. Some residents that live in Area 2 have a concern about another restaurant, however; it meets goals of destination development for neighborhood to attract people.
4. Resignations of Ted Keisselbach and Dave Wahlstedt-Motion was made to accept resignations, seconded and passed.
5. Conflict of interest policy-Board members were asked to sign a conflict of interest policy statement. (See attachment).
6. Nominations for Vice President-None were forthcoming at this meeting.
7. 2012 Membership drive-Letters will be printed and sent out to residents. Letters will be same as last year.
8. Discussion of Nextdoor platform-Discussed social network sites designed for neighborhoods. My Virtual Neighborhood, etc. Purpose is to connect with neighborhood and be more in touch with neighbors and reduce crime. Addresses are verified before let you join. Personal info could be used for advertising. Boundaries don’t coincide with our boundaries. Already doing the things offered. Don’t recommend. We have a large email list and don’t need additional site. Checking to see if we can have online directory. Message board could be useful.
9. Wirth/Brownie Lake CAC updates-Two open houses Jan 13, Feb 14.
10. Patty Wycoff, NC activity report – Was out of town for the holidays-Saturnalia-\$225 in donations, budget of \$1200, nice night. Directories-Advertising for new directories will run in Bugle about 4months.
11. JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle Report-No Bugle for Jan.
12. Treasurer’s report– Liz Pederson/Dave Holets-Liz researching new investment vehicle. Searching for tax person. Because Dave will be out of town 2 months a volunteer is needed to review books. Scott McLaughlin volunteered. Any requested reimbursements for expenses should be scanned and forwarded to Liz. She is working on creating form for expenditures.

13. Community Projects-Jessica -Put article in Bugle to solicit ideas for a Community Project prior to April board meeting. There is a \$2000 budget. Last year funded Pedal to Petals. For example, a suggestion was made to create individual wooden structures for mail box sized libraries, put books in and take books out. March 15<sup>th</sup> is deadline for ideas.
14. Safety Committee- Area 3 co-chair volunteer, three people interested. Article in Bugle for February soliciting more volunteers. When formed, they will meet with Tim Hammett to discuss Safety Committee.
15. NCEC report – Scott McLaughlin
  - NRP status update-Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> everything shut down and folded into Mpls NCRC with four people on staff. Currently they are hiring people. Consequently, the contract for Business façade program is being held up. This may result in a power shift from neighborhoods to the City of Minneapolis. Liability insurance, tax filings and audits handled by dept. BMNA asked to be presenter at free event by City on Sat for Neighborhood organizations. NCR link on Mpls website.
  - Projects-Solar project still has money available and is on website. Rain garden-5 have received grants, others need to submit documentation. Metro Blooms can make site evaluations. Could have some more funds.
  - Center for Energy and Environment-In March, free programs for BM will end. Dates in Feb issue.
16. LRT Project updates
  - Layover Facility resolution-Discussion on Hennepin county project proposed for Linden Yards, a layover facility for light rail. Reviewed proposed Policy Statement in favor of City’s plan. (See attachment). Moved, seconded and discussion. Moved to table, seconded and passed. Send comments to Barry. See City’s website for link to plan.
17. Garden projects – Dave L on hold for winter-Rain garden committee meeting-Jan 24<sup>th</sup> for movie night. Concerned with lack of moisture over winter.
18. Standing Committee Reports  
Committee Reports
  - Land Use Committee Report—
    - *No variance requests this month*
  - Schools Committee – Lynda Shaheen –Open House on January 31<sup>st</sup> for Anwatin.
19. Discussion Items and Updates and Announcements:
  - Thank you to Ted for contributions to Board.
  - Redistricting-Board should take position. Passed out signed copy of concerns over redistricting plan. (See Attachment)
20. Adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: **Wed, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 p.m., BM Elementary

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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