



BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 8, 2012, 7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Presbyterian

1. Call to Order and Introductions – Marlin called meeting to order and participants introduced themselves as follows:
BMNA Board Members-Marlin Possehl, President; Scott McLaughlin, Co- Vice President; Goran Pujic, Co-Vice President; Sandie Gay, Secretary; Liz Pederson, Co-Treasurer; Dave Holets, Co-Treasurer; Jeanne Carter, Area 3; Chris Kirwan, Area 4; Christopher Etz, Area 4; Jay Peterson, Area 6; Stephen Harvey, Area 7.
Guests-Lisa Goodman, City of Minneapolis; Vida Ditter, Jeneen Hartley Sago, Matt Stark
2. Approval of Consent Agenda – Including: Moved, seconded and passed.
 - 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
 - Senior Advisory Committee-City Council is reviewing having an alternate for this committee. Matt Stark has volunteered.
 - No Lunch with Lisa planned for Sept.
 - Voter ID issue may be on future agenda for Lunch with Lisa.
 - Primary will be held on Aug 14. BM is now split into two voting precincts. Absentee voting and on-site registration allowed.
 - City of Minneapolis Mobile 311 APP available. The 10 most popular items are available on APP. Phone 311 is still available for all maintenance requests for the City of Minneapolis.
 - NUSA, a national neighborhood organization, will hold its 2013 National Convention in Minneapolis. They are looking for neighborhood tours. The BMNA garden tour and/or Solar Panel Installations were mentioned as strong possibilities.
 - BMNA is still working on getting a “Nice Ride”.
 - The Minneapolis One Read Event is featuring “Spirit Car: Journey to a Dakota Past” by local author, Diane Wilson. The subject matter deals with the Dakota War of 1862 and the effects upon her family. With the 150th anniversary of the Dakota War coming up, it is a pertinent read. Garrison Keillor and the author will be at the Minneapolis Convention Center on Monday, Sept. 24 at 7 pm for a discussion of the book.
 - Drop off your hazardous wastes at Pillsbury School. See Minneapolis website for more info.
 - City of Minneapolis issued an RFP for the intersection of Penn/Plymouth. A proposal was submitted for a grocery store with emphasis on fresh, healthy foods. Incorporating mixed use housing is biggest issue for financing.
4. JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle Report
5. Garden Tour report – Scott McLaughlin-Attendance over 333. Several thousands of dollars were made. The money will be seed money for future tours and should be tracked.
6. Ice Cream Scoop Off Report – Marlin-350 to 400 people attended, country band appropriate and well-liked by attendees, Not too much revenue-\$638-Delivered left over ice cream to Cross Roads and La Creche. The Board is grateful to Cross Roads for their participation. The number of participants is down from our target of 400-500.
7. Proposed public forum on two state constitutional amendments – Vida-Talked with League of Women Voters and the Speakers Bureau but could not find anyone to present. Lisa mentioned

that an informational report was prepared for the City Council. It is neutral and explains how it will affect current laws. Lisa volunteered to do introductions to author of report. No speaker was found for the Marriage Amendment. The tentative date is Oct 9th at 7pm at BM school. It will be confirmed and published in the Bugle. Vida will contact William Mitchell for recommendation for a speaker. A debate of the issues was suggested.

8. Neighborhood Project – Rick/Jessica- Parks and Recreation is looking at alternatives to the brand of the solar trash can. They may use it system wide but they don't know the vendor.
9. Treasurer's report– Liz Pederson/Dave Holets-\$106,500 balance, Liz will report on investing in USAA income fund at next meeting.
10. NCEC report – Scott McLaughlin
 - Business façade report-One business, an insurance company, has finished replacing siding across the freeway and they've already gotten their check, The Market has installed new windows, the coffee shop has started a project to upgrade their stairway. There are signs out for the program and an article in Bugle. It won't be repeated.
11. LRT Project updates
 - Station Area Strategic Planning-Senators Dibble and Ornstein walked Penn Station site with Lisa, an advocate for building it. They saw development opportunities and felt it would be worth the capital. Met Council has multiple contractors working on engineering. Bryn Mawr will have access issues without Penn Station. BMNA Board is on record supporting the LRT.
12. Standing Committee Reports
Committee Reports
 - Schools Committee – Jessica Wiley –A meeting will be held in Sept. There will be a forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters.
 - Communications Committee – Jay-Will call meeting.
13. Area 4 rep-Owner of Accent Signs is a BMNA booster, and will have candidates at his shop.
14. Introduction of Chris Fields, candidate for Congressional 5th district-Introduced himself and explained his background. Go into website ChrisFieldsforCongress.com for more info.
15. Striping for Cedar Lake Road complete.
16. Adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wed, September 12
7:00 p.m., BM Elementary School

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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| ➤ Election primaries | Tue, Aug 14 |
| ➤ Harvest Dinner | ??? |
| ➤ General Election | Tue, Nov 13 |