



# BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Elementary

1. Call to Order and Introductions –  
The following Board members attended:  
Marlin Possehl-President; Scott McLaughlin-Vice President; Sandra Gay-Secretary; Liz Lindholm-Peterson-Treasurer; Jessica Wiley-Area 3; Chris Kirwan-Area 4; Dave Logsdon-Area 5; Vida Ditter-Area 6; Barry Schade-Area 6; JoEllyn Jolstad-Bugle.  
The following guests attended:  
Lisa Goodman-City of Minneapolis; Anita Tabb-Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board; Patrick Waddick, Kathryn Kaatz and Tamai Galvin-Accent Signage Memorial;
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
  - Lunch with Lisa- “ How do they do that?” presentation on water distribution and recycling will be on February 20, 2013.
  - Neighborhoods USA-Minneapolis will host this year on May 22,23,24,25. The website is [www.nusa.org](http://www.nusa.org).
  - Business License Problems-City of Minneapolis negotiated sale of rental units rather than revoking license of landlord having problems, preventing eviction of tenants.
  - Lisa is assigned to work on Target Center finance plan. Negotiations with Life Time Fitness resulted in agreement by them to upgrade facilities. Construction to start soon.
  - The Vikings Commission is considering hiring Mortenson Construction, a local company, or an out of town construction firm. The City is hopeful they will decide on a local firm which will bring more jobs for residents.
4. Anita Tabb, Parks and Recreation Board-The trails in BM Meadows will be repaved this summer. Currently, taking soil borings and working on plans. The width will be for a combined path. A community meeting will be held to review the plans with the neighborhood. The interior walkways will not be redone. Basset Creek Valley watershed district has money for bank restoration. Bryn Mawr Meadows work and Ice arena work on future agenda.
5. Pat, Tamai and Kathryn-Memorial update-The concept for the memorial involves creating a contemplative, serene space along a walkway adjacent to Accent Signage property and connecting to Basset Creek. A visual presentation is being prepared. The committee requested a letter be sent from the Board to Accent Signage, the victims’ families and UPS explaining the proposal prior to the presentation. Suggestion made to invite political figures to view the presentation. A motion was proposed that a memorial be created on the property adjacent to Accent Signage and across the “paper road” of Russell Avenue. Seconded and passed.
6. JoEllyn Jolstad, Bugle Report - Greg volunteered for the March article.
7. Patty Wycoff, NC activity report –Reported on BM directory. 108 people responded which changed layout so costs will be higher. It will go to print Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.
8. Treasurer’s report– Liz Pederson-Last month there was a temporary drop in reserves. Treasurer’s Report available on BMNA website.
9. Budget discussion/approval – Scott presented the 2013 budget and moved to accept budget conditional on grants from city which will affect Item labeled “2210 City Grants”. It was seconded and passed.

10. Proposed By-Law changes – Scott-Before vote on By-Laws, 5 days public notice of proposed changes is required prior to Annual Meeting. Briefly, the changes are the following: revise wording of “NRP Chair” to “NPP Coordinator”, removes language referring to Anwatin Community School Advisory Council which no longer exists, revises language “President of the preceding year” to “President of the preceding term”, revise language to change budget approval from February to December of previous year.
11. NCEC report – Scott McLaughlin
  - Business façade report-A total of \$119,477 (construction costs) was spent on improving BM business facades. The NRP contributed \$29,053 and BMNA \$14, 526.
  - NRP status update
  - Projects
12. LRT Project updates
  - Station Area Strategic Planning-SWLRT hired 2 consultants that will complete preliminary engineering fall of 2013. Each city along the route has to sign off on the project this fall. To facilitate the process, the City’s planning staff has called meetings to coordinate all neighborhoods’ efforts to better compete for preferences and money. An effort to incorporate more art into city projects was presented at Intermedia Arts. Artists have been selected for various projects with two artists on Penn Avenue corridor. The City is moving forward with Linden Hills West-Phase 1 of Basset Creek Valley plan.
  - Hennepin Co CAC – Barry
  - Bottineau Transitway CAC-Barry recommended BMNA designate a committee from the neighborhood to participate in the Bottineau Transitway process and to solicit individuals to participate. Barry volunteered and made a motion to set up a committee representing BM neighborhood dealing with issues related to Bottineau Line and he nominated Dick Adair as representative. Seconded: Passed.
13. Hennepin County Community Works project for Penn Ave-Community Works is developing a project to improve Penn Avenue north of 394. Barry proposed to start a committee for the planning process. Seconded and passed. An article will be written for the Bugle to solicit volunteers.
14. Nice Ride bicycle program – Dave L
15. Garden projects – Dave L
16. Website update – in writing from Carolyn Bastik-Carolyn estimates that she has spent 60 hours bringing the website up to date and 2 to 5 hours will be required to maintain it. She recommends the Board consider a paid position for Webmaster.
17. Standing Committee Reports  
Committee Reports
  - Land Use Committee Report— none this month
  - Schools Committee – Lynda Shaheen –Met in January with Josh Reimnitz and Rebecca Gagnon. They discussed how to engage with the school board, good communications.
  - Communications Committee - Jay
18. Reports from BMNA Representatives to affiliated groups  
(BCV-ROC, MPRB Cedar Lake Trails CAC, CL Parks)
19. Discussion Items and Updates and Announcements:
  - Deer shooting at Ewing and Franklin
20. Adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wed, March 13, 2013**  
7:00 p.m., BM Elementary

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**  
➤ Membership Drive