

BRYN MAWR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 11, 2013 7:00– 8:45 PM

Bryn Mawr Elementary Cafeteria

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Board Members present are as follows:

Scott McLaughlin-President; Jessica Wiley-Vice President; Sandie Gay-Secretary; Lynda Shaheen-Area 2 Co-Rep; Susan Verrett-Area 2 Co-Rep; Dennie Juillerat-Area 3 Co-Rep; Vida Y. Ditter-Area 6 Co-Rep; Jay Peterson-Area 6 Co-Rep; Barry Shade-Area 6 Co-Rep; Dave Holets-Area 7 Co-Rep; Yonathan Guthmann-Area 7 Co-Rep; Patty Wycoff-Neighborhood Coordinator.

Guests are as follows:

Emma Struss-Center for Energy + Environment; Jason Rathe-Garden Group; Mark Laverty.

- 2. Approval of Consent Agenda-Moved, seconded and passed.
 - Minutes of last month's meeting
 - Today's Agenda
- 3. Area 5 Representative Nominations and Election-Delayed to next meeting.
- 4. CEE Home Energy Squad Program: Emma Struss
 - Community Energy Services is now Home Energy Squad Enhanced. The team will go to house for a \$70 fee, evaluate energy savings opportunities and install energy efficient materials.
 - Materials available are door weather stripping, water heater blanket, programmable thermostats, compact fluorescent light bulbs, high-efficiency showerheads and faucet aerators.
 - The team will perform a blower door test, inspect insulation, check heating system and water heater, and help with next steps.
 - LED light bulbs are available, but, cost extra.
 - The team is available for presentations to groups.
 - Article for The Bugle will be forthcoming.
 - Grants are available for home improvements for energy savings.
 - The group recommends a re-check.
- 5. SW LRT Project update: Barry Schade, Jay Peterson and Vida Ditter-
 - Rerouting of freight rail is being looked at again, hired a consultant to report by mid Jan. A study is being conducted on water quality and impact on the lakes. The vegetation is being documented and studied with a plan to replant. Station area plans going ahead. Van White may be at risk. Transit oriented development is being studied for Royalston, West Lake, Beltline and Blake Road stations. Barry committed to an article in Feb. Bryn Mawr position is to oppose Co-Location.
 - Penn Avenue Corridor-There was activity thru the summer and they are now in process
 of choosing a consultant. There are not many volunteers for the committee from Bryn
 Mawr. The project includes BRT-Bus Rapid Transit from North Mpls to 55 to
 downtown.
- 6. Neighborhood Coordinator report: Patty Wycoff

- Annual Fund Drive Status-Donations total over \$14,000.
- Saturnalia Planning Report-Everything is done and ready to go. Attending Board Members will watch for safety issues. Patty will post a sign on tree to keep kids back from horses.
- 7. Bugle Report: JoEllyn Jolstad-There will be no issue in Jan.
- 8. NPP Update: Yonathan Guthmann-
 - There are two-three interested persons who want to participate in planning future of Bryn Mawr activities with a total of 9. Jonathan will set up a meeting for brain storming. It may be included as a part of the Board Retreat.
 - 18 month plan and follow-up plan. The City has agreed to a contract for \$29,020 for mid-2012 thru 2013. The money will be paid when reports are completed in 2014.
- 9. President's Report: Scott McLaughlin
 - Grievance, ADA and EOE Policy Adoptions-Jay Peterson moved to accept the three policies, the motion was seconded and it passed unanimously. Discussion-All meeting notices should contain notice of ADA accommodations. This will be discussed at the Board Retreat. The Neighborhood Plan is the focus of the grievance policy. An office for Bryn Mawr Board is being considered.
- 10. Standing Committee Reports
 - Communications: Jeneen Hartley Sago-Chair of committee reported they met three times. They continued to update the website. They also reviewed staff contracts and tweaked to update. City Attorney will review it at no charge. The committee recommends 20% increase in compensation with a vote at same time as budget.
 - Schools: Lynda Shaheen-BMNA jointly sponsored Anwatin Craft Fair. Couple of glitches so new ideas will be explored for next year, more crafters will be sought. Jan 23 is date for the next meeting. School Board voted to add capacity to SW High School. No changes for BM. BMNA pushing for stable boundaries. On Jan 28 from 6-8 pm the School District is having a Listening Session for 2020 Strategic Plan.
 - Gardens: Jason Rathe-Participation down over other years but weather was not cooperating. They got a lot done. There will be no Garden Tour 2014, maybe 2015.
 Only 3-4 in group currently. City worker did damage to Upton Garden with a city vehicle while moving snow. City will assess damage and pay.
- 11. Reports from BMNA Representatives to affiliated groups-None
- 12. Unfinished Business
 - Proposed SWLRT Resolution-Tabled
- 13. Discussion Items, Updates and Announcements-None
- 14. Adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, January 8, 2013
7:00 p.m., Bryn Mawr Elementary

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Saturnalia: Saturday, December 14, 2013
- Board Development: Saturday, February 1, 2014 9AM to 1PM (Crown Roller Mill)