

**FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CRAWFORD – MARLBOROUGH – NAKOMA  
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (CMNNA)**

September 21, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

Interim President Mary Odell opened the meeting at Westminster Presbyterian Church with comments on changes she has seen in our neighborhood since 1947 in the following areas: trees, streets, schools, traffic, and water. Our area has changed from the end of the commuter route to a “pass through” neighborhood....from outskirts to ‘insskirts,’ she stated, and all of these topics need monitoring.

A neighborhood association existed from 1975 to the early 1980’s. Mary reported that she contacted Jule Stroick of the City of Madison Planning Department for guidance in reestablishing an association, and that Jule’s coaching was invaluable to her in launching the Association. Linda Horvath gave support in grant writing, and Ryan Jonely developed the maps designating the six zones within the organization. Both Linda and Ryan work in the Planning Department.

The plan to develop CMNNA was first announced to the public at a Make Music Madison event, held at Nakoma Park on June 21, 2016.

Interim committee members who set up the framework for the organization are: Carol Buelow, Norma Hove, Kim Kindschi, Mary Odell, Kevin Pomeroy, Sue Reget, and Margie Zutter. Each member introduced him/herself to the assembled group.

Mary introduced District 10 Alder Maurice Cheeks, who asked the group what they wanted to see the neighborhood association deal with. Suggestions were: camaraderie, civic engagement to help solve problems, an active neighborhood watch, collaboration with neighboring associations and a conduit to government, A question arose regarding the role of CMNNA and the Nakoma League. Mark Consigny, co-president of the League, clarified that there would be no overlap in areas of operation. The League plans social and philanthropic events, while CMNNA would deal with civic and governmental areas of our community.

Kevin Pomeroy presented a review of the bylaws. Amendments will be needed in the following areas: VII. A. regarding the statement that the Past President is elected by the Board of Directors; VI. D. The members of the Association shall elect up to two representatives are to be chosen from each district, plus one at-large representative. ....” at the annual meeting” (addition); and VII. A. clarification is needed that officers are elected by the current members of the Board of Directors. Another question was posed about term limits.

Two more concerns that were voiced were: 1) Section 10. Authority. Consensus should be changed to “if a majority of board members cannot agree, then no representation shall be made.” 2) Section X. Amendments – regarding how membership amends bylaws. A question was posed whether voting/revisions could be done through the website.

While amendments will be needed in the future, the bylaws, as written, were passed unanimously by a majority voice vote. It is understood that amendments will be needed in the future.

In compliance with the bylaws, up to two representatives are to be chosen from each district, plus one at-large representative. The following representatives will serve on the Board of Directors:

- District 1 – Mike Finnegan, Vacant
- District 2 – Mary Odell, Vacant
- District 3 – Kim Kindschi, Kevin Pomeroy
- District 4 – Margie Zutter, Ralph Stamler
- District 5 – Trish Iaccarino, Barbara Granick
- District 6 – Sue Reget, Ed Lightbourn
- At-Large – Carol Buelow

Forty-eight members attended this first meeting of CMNNA. As a gift to Westminster Presbyterian Church for use of the meeting room, members donated \$50.

Respectfully submitted:

Norma Hove, Interim Secretary