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Neighborhood Association

CMNNA Monthly Board Meeting Minutes June 3, 2019

Board Members Present: LaVonne Bennett, Carol Buelow, Zachary Henak, Marian Hessman, Sharon Koenig, Mary Odell, Kevin Pomeroy, Pat Stinger, Karen Zweizig

Board Member(s) Absent: Sandy Beaupre

Guest(s): Norma Hove, Pete Long, Pamela Wilson

1. Call to Order: President Odell called the meeting to order shortly after 7pm at Westminster Presbyterian.

A. Roll Call: Roll call by Secretary Hessman established a quorum.

2. Action Item - Approval of the Agenda: After two typos were corrected, LaVonne Bennett moved that the Agenda be approved. Sharon seconded. Motion carried.

3. Action Item - Approval of the Draft Minutes for May 2019 meeting: Three points were reworded to provide clarification. Kevein Pomeroy moved that the draft minutes be approved. Sharon seconded. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment:

A. Norma Hove and Pete Long: Over the past five years there has been increased drug activity at the water pumping station at the intersection of Mohawk and Manitou Way. Within the last month there has been an uptick in incidents. A city works crew confirmed that the station is no longer in use. The speakers want to know if they can tap into any city video surveillance. Suggestion that they send the city an email, cc'ing Alder Henak, and talk to the police dept re a surveillance camera, if they are on board with it, then approach the Committee on Citywide Surveillance.

B. Pamela Wilson: the church will have Make Music Madison performances at 4:30. Reminder that all are welcome to sign up for the Mallards game on June 26.

CHMS food pantry will close down for summer. There is a pilot study to help 15-20 families over the summer; need volunteers on Wednesdays – a set to pack 12-2:30, another set to contact the families and deliver the food 2:45-3:00. Can contact Beth Brookland.

At Thoreau they are setting up a program to provide 3000 healthy snacks, also a weekend food program which they hope to have running by Oct 1.

5. Reports –

A. President

Make Music Madison is coming up on June 21. Multiple performers, both at Westminster Presbyterian and Oak Park Place.

Met an Edward Jones financial advisor, Jason Buehrle, as he was going through the neighborhood. A possible sponsor.

B. Treasurer Report – Karen Zweizig reported that we have \$1071.60 in the bank. Of those total assets, \$1066.60 is spendable, and \$5 needs to remain in the account to keep it open.

C. Committee Reports:

Traffic: Sharon Koenig – No lines painted as yet; also no trimming. Forestry Dept is waiting for trees to leaf out to know what to trim. Work is projected to be done by June 12. There is a possibility that a bus pad will be installed at the stop on Seminole Hwy across from the Badger Tavern. This would require the addition of a ramp.

Storm Water: Mary Odell – City of Madison Water Resources Engr Phil Gaebler said the culvert under the bike path will have more reconstruction work done.

Fundraising: Open Chair

Green Spaces: Carol Buelow – Will send Kevin her list of volunteer workers so he can include them on the website. Re CMNNA fundraising, the Butterfly Garden does a lot of its own fundraising, receiving in-kind donations as well as benefitting from monetary donations made to Plant Dane, specifically for the Butterfly Garden. In Raingarden updates, Carol will contact some landscaping companies re the needed excavating.

Communications and Outreach: Kevin Pomeroy – sent emails re the Monarch forum and other issues. Considering asking reps from Summit Woods if they want to be included on our emails. Our domain fees have been transitioned to a debit card.

Good Neighbor: Open Chair

Bylaws Committee: LaVonne Bennett – Proposed changes will be discussed in tonight's meeting.

6. Unfinished Business

A. Still working on planning for Wingra forum – October? Need to check in with the Friends for their input.

B. For fundraising, Mary brought a sample packet which could be given to potential donors, detailing our past work and plans for future projects.

7. New Business –

A. The Board went through the set of Bylaws proposed by the Bylaws committee. Some minor edits were discussed.

B. Brainstorming for ways to get more people involved in the CMNNA, and to attend our meetings. Possible to include notice of meeting in Nakoma League newsletter or website?

Zachary brought a copy of the Midvale/Westmorland Neighborhood Plan that was completed in 2009, as an example of how a neighborhood can create a structure for future land use (open space, transportation, economic development, etc.) The plan is online and can be viewed under the Westmorland Neighborhood on the city neighborhoods pages.

C. Discussion of drug deals at the intersection of Manitou and Mohawk occurred as part of the members' report to the board, see item 4A above

D. Reminder that nominees are needed for new board members.

8. Announcements: none

9. Adjournment: LaVonne motioned that the meeting be adjourned, and the motion carried.

(Approved on 1 July 2019.)