

Standish-Ericsson Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 9, 2016

Approved 6/13/16

ATTENDANCE:

Community Members: Council Member Andrew Johnson

Board Members Present: Erik Baxstrom, Kassie Church, Megan Dawson, Katherine Pederson DeLong, Susan Fall, Andy Fuller, Marcie Golden, David Kaplan, Molly McCartney, Luis Morales, Kelly Morrell, Paul Kolodge, Emily Resseger, Nathan Shepherd

Board Members Absent (excused) Betsy Born,

Board Members Absent (unexcused):

Staff: Bob Kambeitz, Shirley Yeoman

Call to Order/Welcome

Molly McCartney, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Everyone introduced themselves.

Consent Agenda Items -- Items Previously Sent To the Board

Motion was made by Paul and seconded by Emily to approve the consent agenda, as presented -- amended, which includes the minutes of the April 11, 2016 meeting. Motion approved.

Elected Officials and Guests – Forum for City Council/County Commissioners/State Sen. or Reps or other officials to update on issues related to the neighborhoods

CM Andrew Johnson

1. Development on 38th Street/28th Avenue

- They have all the signatures approved by the city. Going forward to the planning commission. Likely groundbreaking this Fall. Described process for rezoning because of one small portion that was zoned residential and confusion with C1 and C2 designations.
- Had a good meeting with Met Council. They will propose approving exclusive negotiations with Lander group at their May 23rd meeting (regarding the property at the station.) Rights usually last a year or so. Lander has acquired most of the properties behind the station.
- Officially holding off on bicycle storage there with the hope that a better one can be included in a building there.
- Molly noted that a couple of citizens also helped with the door knocking to get neighbors approval
- Bob – this first development goes to planning commission on the 23rd? Yes.

2. Lake Hiawatha/Golf Course

- No word yet on exactly when public meeting will be. Thinks it will be in a month or two. No decisions have been made on anything.
- Susan – do they know how far it would affect homes if they quit pumping? They do have that data. They need to get more info from some individual home owners. 12 to 24 homes affected. They should all have heard by now.
- David encourages them to separate this from the discussion about the golf course. Feels like resident voices are getting lost in the conversation. Also talked about more notice for meetings.

3. **Parks and roads deal that passed**

- Is excited about this deal. There will be minimal impact on property tax payers. This deal commits us to .66 levy increase. Will mean more funding for parks, better roads, chance of some good pedestrian lighting by 38th LRT station, etc.
- Megan – how will funds be distributed? There is a formula for how they prioritize.
- Hiawatha and Nokomis are regional parks and will not be impacted by these funds.

Financial Reports

1. Current Financials - Shirley reviewed the financial reports and the status of the Financial Review, 990 & Attorney General's report. She has requested an extension for the 990, which is automatic, so that means we have additional time before the reports are due.

Project updates:

1. Welcome Committee – Kelly -no update
2. SkillShare Events – Kelly - first event – 2 people showed up that weren't staff or board. Molly said it was great. Feedback was that maybe we should do it more often.
 2. May event is coming up - native plantings.
3. Lake Hiawatha/Minnehaha Creek Water Quality project – Emily (wasn't there for earth day.)
 - Have over 25 pledges so far.
 - Molly will follow-up with more publicity. Ordered 50 signs.
 - Kelly learned that a lot of people who come to the park aren't from our neighborhood.
 - We will be tabling at Sibley Corn Feed and late July Minnehaha creek clean up.
 - Molly has seen at least 6 signs up in the neighborhood.
 - Nathan thought the reaction was pretty positive.
4. Friends of Lake Hiawatha – Bob
 - This group is not affiliated with SENA, but they use our space for meetings. They now have a mission statement, etc. in place. Thinks it may be Sean doing ad hoc water clean-up.
 - A faction of the group is focused on creating a food forest at golf course.
5. **Dokken Bldg Mural project** - update Bob.
6. **History of current mural** – painted by kids from YMCA led by RHS former student about 15 years ago. We were approached by Articulture, funded by Audobon. They want it to be about water fowl and clean water, etc. One problem is that they want to do it in smaller segments – rather than one big day. Will need to negotiate with business owner at the location. Will start planning this Wednesday.
7. **Great Streets Façade Improvement Grants** – Shirley reporting.
 - 3 grants approved have been approved by BDT – no finalized projects to report yet.
 - There were others who expressed interest. Will need more follow-up.
8. **Great Streets Business District Support grant** – Shirley reporting
 - We applied for over \$11,000 – larger project of a WRBA event and two smaller projects
 - Smaller projects were approved (\$4,000) but the event was not
 - WRBA will have to evaluate whether they want to spend some of their member funds for an event.
9. **Powderhorn 24 – Community ride**
 - Route goes right by Folwell. Molly talked about bonus stop at Folwell – has communicated with Katie at Folwell – maybe weed pick up or trash pickup or school supply drive.
 - Nathan – don't want money to be a barrier. Maybe we can do either or - we'll figure something out at Folwell
 - Katherine – another good bonus stop is going somewhere and being quizzed about something.
 - Some discussion about the Folwell middle school rock band.

10. Community Events -Nathan –

- Decided to post agenda and minutes on the website. Shirley – has updated the page
- They also talked about SENA summer happy hours – just have to decide on dates and locations. Will keep everyone in the loop. (Surprising number of bars in the area)

Strategic Planning - Molly –

Sent a quick e-mail update. We are lagging on doing interviews – plan to interview all three applicants. Will get on top of that later this week. Will have recommendation in June.

Board training/retreat - May 21, 9 to 1 -- history of organization, talk about what people want to do. Will have breakfast and lunch.

Other topics

1. **Kelly –** A-line opens June 11th – celebrations along the way. Thinks free rides will be three days. Bob asked about us getting our garage sale into their event list – PR wise. Not sure if there are ways we might take advantage of the event. 46th Street Station is one end of the line.
2. **RHS has last art crawl on the 20th.**
 - Excellent article about the principal Michael Bradley.
 - Emily did a career day there a couple of weeks ago.
3. **Shirley mentioned NNO –** anyone interested in getting out to NNO parties?
 - Seems like most people are interested in attending their own events.
 - Kelly – do we anticipate we would start doing outreach for strategic plan by then. Might be an ideal time to talk to at least our own blocks.
 - Kelly suggested we add it to the agenda for the 21st.

Sue Rothelle, CPP/SAFE liaison for Ericsson has retired. Shun Tillman will cover her area on an interim basis

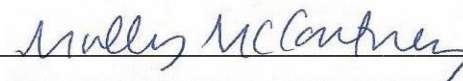
Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Kelly and seconded by everyone .
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: _____
Shirley Yeoman, staff



Minutes approved, May 9, 2016 _____
Molly McCartney, President



Next meeting:
Monday, June 13, 2016
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

SENA Mission Statement:

The Standish-Ericsson Neighborhood Association brings neighbors together to build on the strengths of the Standish and Ericsson neighborhoods – stability, diversity and concern for others.