

Standish-Ericsson Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 11, 2016

Approved as Presented 9-12-16

ATTENDANCE:

Community Members: Council Member Andrew Johnson; Bryan Walters, White Tree LLC

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

Board Members Absent (excused) Megan Dawson, Katherine Pederson DeLong

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 David and seconded by Louis to approve the consent agenda, which includes the minutes of the June 13, 2016 meeting, with a minor correction. Motion approved. Date on financials should have been changed.

Bryan Walters, community member, came to introduce himself. His company, White Tree LLC, a real estate investment company just purchased the building on the NE corner of Cedar and 38th Street. They will be doing some major renovation, including opening up the storefronts that have been covered with stucco. He thinks he may have it leased already; is dealing with parking issues.

Council Member Andrew Johnson:

- Got married – just got back from Italy
- We have a new 3rd Precinct Inspector – Sullivan went downtown; Katherine Johnson will be replacement
- Lander project (38th St/28th Ave) made it thru commission – one variance denied, they will appeal.
- Sunrise Inn may have a buyer – sounds more serious this time around.
- Lake Hiawatha meeting – thanks for being there. They will have a meeting later this week to review options for temporary filter situation. Hopes it will happen this summer.
- Angry Catfish parklet – check it out if you haven't been there.
- 46th St Station retail space – he's done several showings. Incredible space – build-out cost is high – any interest from Child Care centers – talked to a gym

Financial Reports

- Current Financials - Shirley reviewed the financial reports
- Discussed donor fees – should probably pick one to promote – Paypal for Non-Profits
- Discussed NCR report and options for that. We will ask for an extension on the time until our planning process is completed. We will pay back the unspent advance on the NRP Phase 2 Participation Agreement contract

Strategic Planning Update (meyerconsulting.org/) Molly reporting

- Met with Roger and Melissa – did a scoping exercise. Started talking about stakeholders and events we'd like them to be at.
- They have created a draft survey for us to review.
- Upcoming events will need volunteers. Molly will be sending out the sign-up info.
- We purchased 2 Kindle Fires to be used for online survey completion
- We're planning on a Board retreat in Sept. or October
- Emily, Betsy, David, Nathan Molly and staff – serving on committee. Anyone else who wants to participate is welcome
- Emily – not planning to do a lot of door-to-door, but hit up events and busy places. Everyone on board to help with that.
- Might be smaller door knocking projects.
- Some stakeholders identified – RHS principal; Folwell PTO; Folwell, WRBA; NHS; Library; some churches; people we know; elected officials

Project updates:

- Welcome Committee – Kelly – survey what do people wish they had known – Katherine was original partner
- SkillShare Events – Kelly – next one is on canning – may need to consult with someone about that. Suggestions were made including extension services and Corcoran Growers.
- Dokken Bldg Mural project – Bob reporting– birds of Mississippi flyway is the theme – community painting on Sat July 23 – 1-5; Don Olson – Brushed Monkey Painting – power washed the walls so they are ready to prime; Let Bob know if you can help with priming. When that's done the mural people will start work
- Water Quality Grant – Emily reporting. We met with Patience from HC – went well – she is happy with our pledge – responded very positively. Seemed optimistic that we would get funded for next year if we build on it. Will have table at Clean-up on July 24. 2nd phase of our project is adopt-a-storm drain. There's sort of a turf war between Minnehaha Creek Watershed District and the city. Will meet with MCWD further – they will figure out something that works for us.
- Façade Improvement Grants – Shirley reporting
 - Our first project has been completed – through all the steps including payment to them and to us. Splash Laundromat on 38th Street – new awnings.
 - A couple more businesses have expressed an interest but have not submitted applications.
- Powderhorn 24 – Molly has done nothing
- Neighborhood Engagement – Neighborhood Happy Hour. July 28 – 5-7 p.m. – Carbone's Nathan talked about promotion

Other topics

- Upcoming volunteer opportunities
 - Sibley Park Corn feed - July 21 – Molly – Betsy - Emily
 - Lake Hiawatha Festival - Aug 3 – Water Quality – maps, etc.
 - National Night Out – Aug 2 – hang out at your own event
- BC/BS does an annual grant – maybe something will come out of strategic plan
- Bob – two builds by same builder – 3901 22nd – pile of dirt – halted construction because of some technicalities – already has a buyer. Also building at 3712 28th – already sold also.
- Andrew – bigger 38th Street station area development - negotiating with Met Council – hired a firm to do traffic study – MetCouncil has been great to work with.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Shirley Yeoman
Shirley Yeoman, staff

Minutes approved, August 8, 2016 Molly McCartney
Molly McCartney, President

Next meeting:
Monday, August 8, 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.