

Minutes of September 14, 2023
LYNAS Board Meeting Lynnhurst Community Center and Zoom

Board and Committee Members Present: Mike O'Brien, Dyan Venters, Don LaMagdeleine, Megan Fetterman-Prestil, Luke Hollenkamp, Clare Padgett, Steve Prentice, Amy Melcher, Linda McConley (in person) Paul Ragozzino (via Zoom)

Guests and staff Present: Sasha Jensen (staff), CVP Palmisano

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. There were no additions to the agenda.

Meeting Minutes: Mike moved to approve the July board meeting minutes, Don seconded and approved unanimously. Some names were still spelled incorrectly. Sasha will work with Linda to make sure they are correct on the website as well.

Treasurer's Report: Clare presented the financial report as well as the Summer Festival finances.

CVP Palmisano: CVP gave an update on the Bryant Ave Bridge. The park board is waiting to choose a contractor for the work.

The repaving of 50th Street will be 9/25-9/29.

The Mayor released his budget. It included \$15,000 base funding for neighborhoods and a soft alert system for first responders.

CVP is advocating for repair of Lake Harriet Parkway. We saw more potholes this spring than in the last 3 years so infrastructure funding is needed.

The climate Equity Plan was discussed. Shout out to our board member Luke for all his work on it.

CVP said that if the 50th and Lyndale development was already approved it would not be affected by the 2040 hold.

Mike asked about having porta potties at the Morgan Court tennis courts. CVP checked with Park Commissioner Abene. She said it had been discussed and it was a no. It could be an access issue. Mike will follow up with park board staff.

Summer Festival Debrief: Overall everyone was pleased with this year's Summer Festival. Read over the LEC and Jesse's notes. Would like 2 face painters next year and a clearer ticket structure. Maybe add a farmers market stand. We will need to work on power issues with bounce houses beforehand and maybe add a generator. We probably don't need porta potties if we can use bathrooms inside. Is it too close to National Night out?

SW Neighborhood Collaborative update: The DeYoung consulting proposal was discussed. Megan moved to approve, Mike seconded. All in favor with one abstaining because they feel there should have been a more robust RFP process.

Paul will attend the next SW Collaborative meeting as Megan and Dyan cannot make it.

Neighborhood Meeting about Security Cameras: Some neighbors on the NE side of Lynnhurst near East Harriet had been meeting and were concerned about safety issues. CVP Pamisano met with them and new 5th Precinct Inspector Nelson at Lyndale Farmstead Park. They talked about a number of issues and possibly solutions. The group was interested in purchasing a community camera that the Minneapolis Police Department would have access to. The cost is about \$7000 and a neighborhood association would

need to act as a fiscal agent. The request to install would come through the city council person's office. There would need to be a community meeting and city council approval before it could be installed. Generally these requests come directly from the MPD not residents. This group has not made the formal request yet. There was some discussion about how often they are monitored, how the recordings are utilized and that they are usually more effective at busy intersections.

Committee Updates:

Environmental Committee: 7th Annual Garden Tour and Happy Hour was held on 9/7 near the NE portion of Lynnhurst. They are going to submit a Hennepin County Green Grant to get compost bags and supplies in the welcome kits. Buckthorn Bust will be November 4, location TBD since the public areas in Lynnhurst have been cleaned up already.

Community Engagement: Dyan delivered the current set of bags. She will also write a piece for the upcoming newsletter about the program. Sasha will get 2 and 3Q sold reports.

Communications: Sasha will send a doodle for a 4Q newsletter content meeting.

Safety and Livability Committee: Don presented the crime reports and mentioned that it is important our looks at crime be data driven.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Sasha Jensen, Neighborhood Coordinator