

**Minutes of April 11, 2024**  
**Mt Olivet Lutheran Church Library and Zoom**

**Board and Committee Members Present:** Mike O'Brien, Linda McConley, Luke Hollenkamp, Jesse Feinberg, Megan Fetterman-Prestil, Don LaMagdeleine, Michelle Hansmann, Patrick Larson, Paul Ragozzino, Peter Forbes, Dyan Venters

**Guests and staff Present:** Sasha Jensen (staff), Patrick McDougle (resident) Aryca Myers (Mpls NCR Staff)

**Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.**

**Approval of April Agenda and March 2024 Meeting Minutes:** Luke moved to approve the proposed agenda. Don seconded and it was approved unanimously. Luke moved to approve the March Board Meeting minutes. Mike seconded it and it was approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sasha gave a financial update and the 1Q Statement of Activity report was discussed.

**Understanding Neighborhood Associations presentation from Mpls NCR Staff Aryca Myers:** Aryca presented a history of the neighborhoods in Minneapolis. She talked about past NRP and CPP funds as well as current Neighborhood Network and Equity Funds. A discussion took place.

**Minneapolis Public School District 6 Candidate forum Poporal:** A proposal from the Lyndale Neighborhood to hold a District 6 school board forum was presented. A conversation took place if we would take part in this forum as well as a League of Women Voters Forum. We do not know if LWV would hold a stand alone forum for School Board in District 6 or combine it with all school board races. This was tabled to the next meeting and if anyone has any questions to ask the Lyndale Neighborhood about the forum questions are due to Sasha by Friday EOD, 4/12.

**Board went into Executive Session to discuss the Coordinator Contract**

**Board meeting monthly cycle:** Luke presented a new monthly calendar that includes the Board Leadership Meeting the week before the full Board Meeting to create the agenda. A short discussion took place.

**Committee Structure:** A list of the current committees and members was presented. A discussion took place. Board leadership will develop next steps.

**Facade Grant Program:** Sasha updated the board on our Facade grant program through CPED where we can reimburse business for a third of qualifying facade work up to \$5000.

Dyan moved to approve a \$1300 Facade Grant for the Lake Harriet Pizza sign. Peter seconded and it was approved unanimously.

**SW Neighborhood Collaborative Update:** Megan gave an update on the Collaborative. We are currently recruiting for focus groups to help develop the structure of the Collaborative.

**Safety and Livability Committee:** A conversation took place about the Beeks Pizza vacant lot and vacant lots in general. We talked about ways we can make them less dangerous and less likely to have crime near them, like park or business pop ups.

The Committee has found some areas of the neighborhood to work with and learn from about what they do with safety.

**Environmental Committee:** Dyan and Amy are applying for a 2024 Hennepin County Green Partners Grant to encourage residents to recycle and compost. Luke will write a letter of support. The money would come to LYNAS. Jesse moved to approve the submission of this grant. Megan seconded and it was approved unanimously.

**Community Engagement:** Email Sasha if you are interested in working on the Lynnhurst Summer Festival. Megan and Michelle said they would be interested.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.**

Minutes prepared by Sasha Jensen, Neighborhood Coordinator

Secretary Approval: