

**Action Summary Minutes
East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association
Monthly Board Meeting
Lyndale Farmstead Park, Minneapolis
Wednesday, January 7, 2009
7:00 p.m.**

Board Members in attendance:

Patty Selly - EHFNA Board Member
Matt Perry - EHFNA Board Member
Pam Meier - EHFNA Board Member
Dean Carlson - EHFNA Board Member
Andrea Breen – EHFNA Board Member
Bruce Wadman - EHFNA Board Member
James Thorson - EHFNA Board Member
Roger Worm - EHFNA Board Member
Emily Winter - EHFNA Staff Member
Michael Dietrich – EHFNA Board Member
Howard Dallin – EHFNA Board Member

Others in attendance:

Ann Lynch – Lyndale/Farmstead Park
Meg Tuthill – Candidate for City Council
Sid Monroe - Resident
Kevin Larson – Chair of Crime Prevention, Safety and Transportation Committee
Jim Elliot – Resident

1. **Announcements** – Kitefest is coming up on Saturday, a volunteer sheet is being passed around for board members to volunteer.

2. **Approval of November/December Minutes** – Mr. Perry moved to approve.

APPROVED - On motion by Board Member Pam Meier. Motion carried.

3. **Adopt-A-Block Program** – Board member Pam Meier presented information around the program to have board members adopt a four block stretch of the neighborhood and identify potential residents to participate on the board, as block captains and in other capacities. Ms. Meier also discussed a packet that was being created for potential Block Captains, in addition to ideas around national night out, Twin City Marathon Block Party, and house parties for multiple resident dwellings. Discussion followed around the commitment from the board toward the Adopt-A-Block Program. Ms Meier sought to gauge interest from the board at large.

4. **EHFNA Committee 2008-2009 Spending Guidelines** – Board Member Bruce Wadman presented the EHFNA spending guidelines/budgets as submitted by the individual committee chairs. Mr Wadman explained that the numbers were based on the expected percentages of money allocated in the Phase II plan. Committee Chairs then each presented their budget information. Mr. Wadman presented the budget for the Parks, Environment and Schools Committee. Some discussion followed around the allocation of Rosefest funds to the PES committee. Board Member Michael Dietrich presented the budget for the Housing/Business Committee Budget. Discussion revolved around the lack of funds allocated this year toward the Green Building/Energy Conservation Strategy. It was explained that this was not a strategy that had any goals this year. Explanation was then provided around the moneys allocated to the Business Façade Improvement strategy. An additional question was asked about the Renter Survey strategy; Mr. Perry explained the allocation of Phase II moneys

specifically to a survey meant to solicit feedback from the renters in the East Harriet Neighborhood. Board Member Roger Worm presented the budget for the Crime Prevention, Safety and Transportation budget.

Mr. Wadman reviewed the Steering Committee Budget. Mr Wadman commented that the Steering Committee met prior to the monthly board meeting and approved the budget. Ms. Meier presented the budget for the Community Building Committee Budget and reviewed the committee actions. Mr. Perry moved to approve the four Committee Budgets for 2009.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED - On motion by Board Member Matt Perry.

5. Park Report – Ann Lynch – Ice Skating is going great this year, the numbers have been good, the rink is bigger than it has been for a long time. Preparations are underway for the Kite Festival on Saturday. The Park District has been able to get some volunteers which they have referred to Board Staff Member Emily Winter. The Tent this year has been paid for through a grant. Ms. Lynch showed a mug and tote bag that will be sold to raise money. Information regarding weather conditions will be posted on the EHFNA website.

6. EHFNA Ballot Election Initiative – Mr. Perry reviewed the initiative. Board Member Patty Selly moved to approve.

APPROVED(6 to 2) - On motion by Board Member Patty Selly. Motion carried. Board Members Roger Worm and Dean Carlson voted against.

7. Adoption of City’s Principles of Community Engagement – Mr. Perry reviewed the adoption of the principles. Board Member Bruce Wadman moved to approve.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED - On motion by Board Member Bruce Wadman.

8. Long Term EHFNA Initiatives - Mr. Perry reviewed the EHFNA Long Term Initiatives. Board Member Dean Carlson moved to approve.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED - On motion by Board Member Dean Carlson.

9. Committee Reports – No Committee reports this month.

10. New Business

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Staven Bruce
EHFNA Secretary

Minutes approved by:

Matt Perry, EHFNA Chair