

EHFNA Board Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2017
Walker Methodist Health Center, 3737 Bryant Ave S

Board Members in Attendance: Melissa Gould, Brian Nalezny, Michael Quinlan, Brianna Christy, Noel Spencer, Kara Kuhn, and Rebecca Swartz

Board Members Absent: Jon Martin, Jon Marquet, Alison Brownell and Brian Newel

Non Board Members: Deb Schirber and Sara Richards

No Announcements

August 2, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Jon Marquet moved to approve the August 2, 2017 Meeting Minutes. Brianna Christie second the motion. All in attendance voted in favor of the motion.

Council Members Report no one from CM Palmisano Ward 13 attended the meeting.

Sara Richards gave the Park Report:

- Preschool has started with 9 kids.
- Yoga starts this Saturday from 9-10.
- Kids Night out every Friday from 5-9 pm. \$10 includes meal, games and movie. Openings available. Call to reserve your spots.
- Halloween Party at Lyndale Farmstead on October 30th.
- In the process of planning winter activities and open to Ideas.

Annual Meeting Agenda update from Melissa Gould

- Park Building Presentation
Background - Melissa, Brian and Deb Met with Michael Schroeder, MPRB Assistant Superintendent Planning on Tuesday. Follow-up meeting on Sept 14 to review 2018 Capital Improvement plans and costs for Lyndale Farmstead. Also review ideas for improving the space either within the existing footprint and or possible expansion. Representatives from MPRB will present the planned updates, discuss options, rough estimates and open to neighborhood for discussion.
- NRP Funds Vote – A board vote to assign NRP funds, the majority of which had been invested and now is being returned to the neighborhood as program income. The board will bring the approved strategies and funds to the annual meeting for the mandated neighborhood vote.

Brianna Christy moved to approve the following NRP strategies and assigned funds totaling \$334,189 into contracts with the City for reinvestment in the East Harriet Neighborhood. The approved motion and vote will be brought to the neighborhood for a vote at the annual meeting on September 23, 2017.

Kara Kuhn second the motion

All in attendance voted in favor of the motion.

1. *Park Building Upgrades and Expansion – \$303,189*
2. *Schools - \$25,000*
3. *Security lighting rebate - \$2,000*
4. *Additional funds added to Regional Parks - \$3,000*
5. *Logo, website & eNews rebranding/refresh – \$1000*

- Board Elections – Melissa Gould asked if anyone knew of a potential board member. There were no new candidates. Noel Spencer, Jon Marquet, Jon Martin, Brianna Christy and Alison Brownell are up for re-election. Noel and Jon Marquet confirmed they will run again. Brianna will run if there are not enough to fill the 11 spots. Alison is leaving the country in February and will not run. Melissa will check with Jon Martin.

Fall Fest Update

Deb Schirber gave an update on Fall Festival and handed out a signup sheet for the doorhanger distribution and day of event volunteer openings. Deb would like to place Fall Fest lawn signs on all board members lawns on the Sunday or Monday prior to the Festival to help market the event. She also gave a budget and sponsor update.

Ward 10 Candidate Forum

There will be a Ward 10 Candidate Neighborhood Forum sponsored by the Ward 10 neighborhoods, East Harriet, CARAG, Whittier, East Calhoun and Lowry Hill East. Whittier was approached by Make Homes Happen (MHH) to collaborate on a combined Ward 10 forum. Neighborhood coordinators and executive directors felt the forum would be heavily skewed to housing issues and want neighborhood only forum. A date and location will be announced soon and each neighborhood will ask for volunteers to help with the forum.

Mayoral Mondays

SWBA is sponsoring **Mayoral Mondays** beginning Monday, Sept 11 through October 9 to discuss the future of small businesses in the City. There will be time for additional questions. The forums will be held on nine Mondays from 6 – 7 pm at Whole Sum Kitchens, 50th & Bryant Ave S. See back for candidates & dates.

Committee Reports

- Community Building, Parks & Environment Committee – Did not meet
- Housing, Zoning Business and Schools – Did not Meet
- Safety & Transportation Committee - Did not meet

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50

Minutes submitted by Deb Schirber

Approved by

Board President

Melissa Gould