

**East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Lyndale Farmstead Park, Minneapolis
Wednesday March 5, 2008**

Board Members present: Matt Perry, Staven Bruce, Dean Carlson, Michael Dietrich, Chris Gallaty, Pam Meier, Patty Selly, James Thorson, Bruce Thomson, Bruce Wadman

Board Members not present: Roger Worm

Others in attendance: Ralph Remington (Ward 10 Council Member), Kim Malrick (Aide to Ward 10 Council Member Remington), Ben Hecker (Aide to Ward 13 Council Member Betsy Hodges), Scott and Stacy Pampuch (Kingfield residents; owners of new EH business), Emily Winter (EHFNA Staff Member), Ann Lynch (Park Director), Jenny Taplin (resident), Maryjo Hackett (resident).

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM

1. Announcements
 - a. Enews articles due March 8th.
 - b. March 10 is a Ward 13 meeting sponsored by seven neighborhoods, to gather feedback for the Framework for the Future. Matt encouraged everyone to attend and to bring a non-board member/neighbor.
2. Consent Agenda
 - a. Staven Bruce moved to approve the consent agenda
 - b. Bruce Thompson seconded
 - c. Unanimous approval
3. Approval of February minutes
 - a. Unanimous approval
4. Councilmember reports: CM Remington
 - a. Uptown Small Area Business plan passed unanimously by the City Council and is now part of the City's Comprehensive Master Plan.
 - b. Now moving on to Lyn-Lake Small Area Plan, will follow same model. This will also include CM Lilligren and is expected to take 8-12 months to complete.
 - c. Bryant Lake bowl has applied for and received a "50/50" liquor license. This means they are required to have 50% of their sales come from food; 50% from alcohol. This may spark a trend in restaurants/bars whose current license is "60/40" which some believe promotes excessive drinking.
 - d. CM Remington is proposing a new "no heat/low heat" ordinance which will simplify heating regulations to rental units. The proposal would require landlords to provide heat based on a simple date range of September 21 through May 1, rather than the complicated temperature formula in existing ordinance.
 - e. Dangerous Dogs ordinance will better identify and manage "problem" dogs in the city
 - f. **Rental Property Fee:** In an attempt to stabilize communities in neighborhoods hit hard by the foreclosure crisis Minneapolis has decided to impose a new fee for those looking to convert home ownership to rental

- property. This new fee of \$1000 applies only to buildings with 6 or fewer units.
- g. CM Remington inquired as to whether anyone has any feelings/opinions regarding the Lehmann Center building in Uptown. There is a project which he cannot provide details about which would potentially involve razing the building. He could not provide any more details about this project but wanted to gather information from folks regarding their interest in the site. He encouraged folks to email/call with comments.
 - h. Matt Perry thanked CM Remington for his leadership on the Uptown Small Area Business plan.
5. Councilmember Reports: CM Hodges (Aide, Ben Hecker)
 - a. Lyndale Ave Reconstruction will take place as planned and begin soon. There will be a pre-construction kickoff meeting for residents.
 - b. Public hearing on March 25 for those who are being assessed for the reconstruction project.
 6. Scott and Stacy Pampuch
 - a. Owners of Corner Table in Kingfield wish to open a “full service deli” in the space no longer occupied by triangle printing. This will be a deli/winebar/butcher shop with a few tables and grab-n-go items. There will also be coffee.
 - b. EHFNA will be asked to weigh in on matters regarding the restaurant as they move forward with pursuing a liquor license, parking issues, etc. Support from EHFNA would speed the process.
 - c. Scott plans to attend the zoning, business committee meeting. Board member Bruce Thomson will not be participating in these discussions as he owns the building housing the new business. Matt Perry will not be participating in meetings regarding parking variances as he is a member of the City’s Zoning Board of Adjustment which will hear the variance request.
 7. RoseFest
 - a. July 19 is RoseFest
 - b. Two key tenets: RoseFest “is” EHFNA and this is the year for “refinement of success”/
 - c. Matt Perry suggested that this year we also should work to have RoseFest begin making money as it is one of the neighborhood association’s future key fundraisers.
 - d. We will collaborate with M. Lerman to help promote the milestones the Lyndale Park is celebrating this year. EHFNA will also promote the Wirth House tours held on the day of RoseFest as they did last year.
 - e. RoseFest will run until 8 PM this year, a change from last year, when it ended at 6 PM.
 8. Park Report
 - a. Emily shared the park report on Ann Lynch’s behalf. Sign ups begin March 10, 2008
 9. Committee Reports: Business, Housing, Zoning and Variance (B. Thomson):
 - a. Working on renters survey
 - b. Integrating green building principles into the loan program
 - c. Lots of historical homes in the neighborhood. Possibly some type of celebration is in order?
 - d. Next Meeting: March 9 at 7 PM at the Senior Center
 10. Committee Reports: Community Building (P .Meier):

- a. RoseFest meetings will be separate from Community Building meetings. CBC meetings are now second Thursday of the month at 7 pm at Java Jack's.
 - b. KiteFest 2009 planning will start just after RoseFest
 - c. Working on a welcome initiative for new residents
 - d. Neighborhood garage sale is May 31st
11. Committee reports; Parks, Environment and Schools (B. Wadman)
- a. Meeting with Lizzie, teacher at Barton, to plan for Bryant BEAT
 - b. We have a \$2000 grant for a Clean Air Initiative
 - c. Continuing the Dutch Elm rebate program
 - d. Earth Day cleanup is April 19 at Lake Harriet
 - e. Greening of RoseFest; solar trailer? Drinking water issues...reduce plastic consumption
 - f. There is a Park facility wall along Dupont Avenue that is in disrepair. EHFNA has been working with a concerned resident in supporting her efforts partnering with an artist to have childrens' art or a mural painted on the wall.
 - g. Phase 2 funding for Lyndale Farmstead Park...where should the money go? Capital improvements, programming, ice rinks? Open to ideas.
 - h. Hazardous materials collection event will be June 26 (tentative)
 - i. Pampuch suggested contacting Randy's Sanitation for pickup of compostable material during Rosefest.
 - j. Member suggested that RT Rybak donated stainless steel water bottles for another event, may contribute same to RoseFest.
12. Crime and Safety Committee (C. Gallaty):
- a. Current initiatives include mplsblockclub.org, traffic calming strategies, parking/walker task force, and education around the Lyndale recon project.
13. Steering Committee (M. Perry)
- a. Current initiatives include; overseeing the growth of the volunteer base, grant-writing and seeking system, review of By-laws, annual meeting, and finances of the association.
14. Adjourned at 8:54 PM. J. Thorson moved, P. Meier seconded.

Minutes submitted by:

Patty Selly, Board Member

Minutes approved by:

Matt Perry, Board Chair