



**Lyndale Neighborhood Association
Regular meeting of LNA Board**

Monday, October 14, 2024

6:30 –8:00 PM

Minutes prepared by Chaz Larson, Secretary

X	Holly Reckel, President	X	Doug Herkenhoff, Vice President
X	Michael Nelson, Treasurer	X	Chaz Larson, Secretary
	Emmanuel Okania	X	Michael Bull
	Matt Stanton [excused]	X	Donda Haji
	Mary Trondson [excused]	X	Jonathan Beckel
X	Stephen McHenry	X	Sami Smetana, Exec. Director

Also in attendance: Maleni Wiitala

- Call to order / Introductions (Holly) 6:30 - 6:40 pm
 - Approval of Consent Agenda
 - (includes Agenda, Meeting Minutes, Committee Minutes)
 - michael moves
 - jonathon second
 - unanimously approved

- Intro/report from Maleni Wiitala, LNA Community Organizer 6:35 - 6:45 pm
 - Maleni introduction
 - Working on English
 - Working with community Gardens
 - 75 gardeners
 - 40% white
 - 45% latino
 - 5% other
 - also does latino outreach for events
 - Translation for events and courses
 - Next year we will start teaching in Spanish
 - Will be working with election outreach for Latino community
 - New grant for Pillsbury Garden; expansion plans in process
 - Doug: does the latino community understand what LNA is and does?
 - Maleni: sort of but the language barrier gets in the way

- ED Updates (see notes) 6:45 - 7:00 pm
 - Legal Updates
 - subpoena done
 - discrimination charge: mediation not successful
 - Now in the hands of the city civil rights office
 - On our side, in the hands of our lawyers
 - Building security and Staffing updates
 - Meeting tomorrow @1; recommendations to come
 - Sami would like help pricing stuff out
 - Kara has given notice
 - A neighbor is looking for participants for a Walking Audit
 - Let Sami know if you are interested

 - Library is wondering how far we would go to teach classes
 - City contract amendment
 - city will extend contract without reapplication
 - SNAC office business tenant updates
 - Great Streets grant

Jonathon moves
 Stephen seconds
 Unanimous passage

- Nicollet Open Streets Review 7:08 - 7:18 pm
 - Sami estimates that 9-10K people attended
 - Holly thinks more Kingfield involvement would have been good; tried but got no traction
 - Kingfield has had no volunteer coordinator for months

- Strategic Plan Review 7:18 - 7:25 pm
 - Only one item with no “things we’ve done”; “volunteers to maintain website” - this is not needed
 - This review will be the [hopefully one] business item for the December meeting.

- CAP Review/Approval for ‘Wheels & Bike Rodeo’ 7:25 - 7:35 pm
 - submitted by Crime & Safety Committee (Jonathon)

minor amendments made
 michael moves to approve as amended
 donda seconds
 unanimous passage

- CAP Review/Approval for Halloween Harvest Bash 7:35 - 7:45 pm
 - submitted by Engagement Committee (Doug)

minor amendments made: how to nominate, time

Donda wants to up the budget to \$400; no need for this, abandoned
Jonathon moves to approve as amended
Donda seconds
unanimous passage

- LNA Engagement Committee Work Plan Review/Approval

7:45 - 7:55 pm

Why no fundraiser?

have never made that much
Doug will take suggestions back to the committee
approval pushed off to November meeting
Michael Bull, two minor questions
Doug has volunteered to be the engagement committee chair

- Committee Updates

7:55 - 8:02 pm

- Crime & Safety - Thank-you notes for walk
Sami will split up the list and send out segments
- Housing -
RFP sent out for SNAC building updates
Have received confirmations that some will respond
Working on RFP for redevelopment of LNA parcels
- Environment -

- Thinking ahead for December Board meeting/Potluck Dinner Dec 9th
Holly will host

7:55 - 8:00 pm

Michael moves to adjourn
doug seconds
unanimous passage