



North End Neighborhood Organization: Board of Directors
Monday June 3, 2019 Meeting Minutes

The meeting opened with welcome & introductions

Present: Steve Struhar, Alan Richardson Hohn, Ethan Osten, Alison Warford, Tyrone Maxwell,

Absent: Rich Holst, Melissa Michener, Garrett McDermott, Chloe Rizzo, Matt Sletten, Andrea Lovoll

A motion to approve the agenda was M/S/A

A motion to approve the consent agenda was M/S/A

Committee Reports

North End Development Team-Kerry Antrim

We are still waiting to be notified of any STAR funding. Real Life Coffee & Yoga finalized their project. Erick Forbes is interested in converting 969 Rice to a mixed use space. Anne Dejoy-ESNDC is still working with Mu La Ya Phan Market and Assafo African Market to finalize projects.

Land Use & Housing

The Board suggested the committee to revisit their policies. A motion to seat Tim Ludtke & Alan Richardson Hohn on Land Use & Housing committee was M/S/A with one abstention.

Friends of the North End-Katheryn Schneider

The flyer will push the fact that art is for sale. The festival is moving along. The water department has a water list that would give new residents information. Giving multi-unit managers information to distribute would be an engagement strategy.

Transportation-Ethan Osten-

There was no meeting and Rich Holst will be the chair. Ward 5 would like NENO to be the fiscal agent for barriers at Western Avenue. This will be a transportation agenda item.

Como/Front/Dale Adhoc-Meeting-Karin Groening

The committee is determining what land is available and a possible intern hire could assist with that.

What's Happening in the North End? Karin Groening

The event was successful and the plan is to have one every six months. Neighborworks had five people asking about home loans and other discussions went well.

Safe Neighborhoods-Steve Struhar

There were about twenty people at the Pop UP at Lyton Park. There is another Pop Up the third Wednesday of June. They will be getting information from attendees to see what they feel is a neighborhood issue.

Governance-Steve Struhar

There was not a governance committee. The Scorecard was finalized. Steve Struhar distributed a draft. It would be voted on in August.

Youth Committee-Karin Groening

The committee is looking at a dunk tank, scavenger hunt or badminton tournament for the Rice Street Festival. The Festival Committee has allocated \$200 for the activity.

Capitol Region Watershed District: Discussion regarding CRWD's Watershed Management Plan

CRWD kicked off the plan by attending or hosting meetings. It is a ten year road map for the organization. Anna Eleria gave a quick overview. She discussed who CRWD is; a special unit of government protecting open spaces. $\frac{3}{4}$ of the city is in CRWD. Citizen Advisory Committee is quite active. There are over 500 storm sewers that empty into the Mississippi River-the river is polluted.

A watershed management plan defines the work, goals and objectives- which is maintain cleaner water. Eighteen months is needed to update the plan; assessment of resources, issues, goals, defining project, activities and programs is included in the plan. The management plan is required by the State to be eligible for State clean water funds the theme is "bring water back to Saint Paul"

North End

Loeb Lake Monitoring:

- Excellent water quality
- Grade A in 2018

Willow Reserve

- Restoration Plan in the last year of three years of the restoration plan, working on short term, long term upkeep and passive access.

Trout Brook Nature Sanctuary

- CRWD has been monitoring since 2015. Significant reduction of pollutants in Trout Brook

Stewardship Grant Programs

Install water quality improvement initiatives

Water Hero's

Camps for youth to learn about water resources and issues

Interactive Exercise:

Three questions were asked:

What are the valuable resources in your community?

How does the health of water resources affect you and your family?

Are there parts of your community or natural environment you would like to see improved?

Board comments: CRWD needs to figure out how to approach the North End neighbors; change the message of what you are doing, giving clear incentives for people regarding how is it beneficial.

Lack of signage at Trout Brook is waste of an opportunity. A demonstration garden outside the library would be a great project. Amount of garbage in the street is a huge impact. The city is talking about building a new Rec Center, drainage is a huge issue on the fields.

CRWD will be creating a matrix of input. Anna Eleria will be sending out updates at the end of the summer. There's an online survey until the end of June.

New Business

A communication Plan either Friends or an ad-hoc committee. An ad-hoc committee was chosen. There is a special election in August. Marydale Festival cards are available to distribute.

Rice/Maryland needs to be weeded-people will be out tomorrow or as soon as possible.

Old Business

There was no old business

Community Comment

There was no community comment

Board Comment

There was no board comment

Adjourn