

Minutes - October 26th 2015

Welcome and Introductions

Present – Joy, Hilari, Amity, Bob, Adam. Absent – Jenny, Seaen

1. Previous Meeting Minutes

Adam read the minutes, Amity made motion to adopt, Hilari second, passed unanimously.

2. Treasurer's report

General Fund - \$18,464.80, Park Fund - \$23,612.02

3. Open Microphone

Hilari, still trying to get ahold of Islamic Community Center, would like permission to use SNO letterhead and send a letter to both the city and Center. Would also like to find a lot for next spring for a community garden. Also considering partnering with Sheridan Story. Looking for ideas on where to locate the garden.

5. Representative and Committee Reports

A. Jessica Petrie-Ritz Board (SNO rep)

Jess could not be present for tonight's meeting. Via Joy, the Ritz has been going through a transition. Focused on paying down debt. Jess is going to be Krysta's residency mentor, final project is to be a strategic plan for the Ritz. Theatre Latte Da would like to take over, board members urge caution. Working on rebranding, and updating the website.

B. CD Committee- John Akre, Jenny Fortman, Joy Smallfield, Bob Sorg -

Was supposed to meet last Tuesday, but the meeting was canceled. Will meet again the third Tuesday in November, 6:15 to 7:15.

C. AFCAC- Open

Still looking for a rep. Discussion going on between community members regarding the zoning of the food building to allow for the proposed mill at the Food Building. There are concerns about pollution, parking, traffic among other things.

D. 2PAC/Safety Committee-Robert Riskin

Joy talked to Robert about the crime prevention safety committee, he would be willing to form the committee that will allow us better access to the information from the police.

E. Protected bike path Marshall - John Akre

John, asked for time on the agenda next month. The effort includes reps from Hennepin County, City of Minneapolis, NE neighborhoods. Met with Leslie Bock, very opposed to taking street parking. Next month, two representatives from Hennepin County will be at the SNO meeting as an effort to reach out to neighborhood groups. There is potential for transit tradeoff between bikes and buses.

F. SNO Ball Feb 20th 2016

Seaan not present, but they are recruiting members for the silent auction committee.

4. Jacob Frey Updates from City Council/Third Ward Not present

7. Rebecca Noecker-Outreach and Partnership, Achieve Mpls-Our City, Our Schools

Pam Constain, executive director of Achieve Minneapolis, a non-profit that supports the Minneapolis Public School district. Achieve Minneapolis tries to bring information about the public schools out to the community. There are a lot of misconceptions about Minneapolis Public Schools, they work to clear that up in a city where a relatively low proportion of residents have a connection to school.

Willing to bring Our City, Our Schools program to our neighborhood board meeting to discuss items like, MPS 101, workforce preparedness, college entry, referendum information. They are asking us if we're interested in scheduling a time they can come in and engage with the neighborhood. Looking to link the city and the schools, here to offer that. They could also speak about charters. The program can fit our schedule, 20 minutes, 45 minutes, whatever, very flexible to fit our schedule. Interested in partnering with several NE neighborhoods to host an event on schools.

Achieve Minneapolis is rooted in the belief that we need to make the connection between schools and community.

They also hold bimonthly events called EdTalks.

8. Metro Blooms 2016- Joy Smallfield

It is time to decide whether or not we want to do this program again. All residents pay for is the plants. Cost for 10 raingardens was approximately \$5200, could be either rental property or owner occupied. Unsure what the deadline is, but likely it is this month. John Akre suggested a small amount of

funding for signs that mention SNO's involvement in the program.

Hilari made a motion to continue the raingarden program for 2016 for 10 gardens. Bob second. Passed unanimously.

9. Announcements

Halloween Sheridan cleanup including 35 volunteers from Dangerous Man. Going to grid out Sheridan neighborhood and assign approximately 5 people per square for cleanup. City already gave us gloves and bags. The cleanup runs 10a-1p, meeting at Dangerous Man.

Hilari made a motion for \$100 for coffee and breakfast food for trash cleanup, Amity seconded, passed unanimously.

Amity had a question about letterhead, Adam will send over what he has from past work.

10. Adjourn

Amity made a motion to adjourn, Hilari second, passed unanimously.

Adam Axvig, Secretary, Sheridan Neighborhood Organization