

## July 2018 SNO Meeting Minutes

### INTRODUCTIONS:

Board Members Present: Carin, Maryjo, Jordan, Mike, Dalton, Joy, Seaen

### JUNE MEETING NOTES:

Action: MARYJO makes a motion to pass June meeting notes as read. DALTON 2nd the motion

Vote: Passes unanimously

### TREASURE'S REPORT

As of 7/23/18

\$11,637.31 - Operating

\$23,686.88 - Park Fund

### READING PARTNERS

Volunteers commit to one hour a week for a semester working with a child on reading.

[readingpartners.org/volunteers](http://readingpartners.org/volunteers) - for more information

### MINNEAPOLIS CLIMATE - COMPOSTING PROGRAM

They are looking for "Compost Captains" that will work with their street/neighbors about composting. The goal is get them to sign up for curbside composting.

Anyone who signs up will get a free compost pail and a roll of compostable bags.

There are prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place on who signs up the most people

There are workshops to attend to learn more about composting  
info@mplsclimate.org to reach Felicity with questions

STEVE FLETCHER:

Grainbelt RFP

Lander/Landon Group was selected for the development.

The City is taking six months of “comment period” to discuss the development and really work on a getting a plan that works for the City, neighborhood, developer, etc.

If you have feedback please email Steve Fletcher at: [fletch@stevefletcher.org](mailto:fletch@stevefletcher.org)

2040 Comp Plan

Comment period is closed, the next step will be figuring out how to incorporate all of the feedback and make the plan better.

The next draft of the plan will be published in September.

Governing of Police Department

Reach out to Mr. Fletcher’s office with feedback and comments.

One topic they are debating is bringing the decision making out into the open instead of only the Mayor and Chief making decisions.

One concern is to make sure there is still a clear chain of command so there is no confusion on police force.

Scooters

What is your experience with them? Reach out with feedback - good or bad.

Then over the winter the plan is to put out and RFP to only have one company, like Nice Ride, be in Minneapolis.

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE:

So far the Sheridan Community Garden has grown 181.40 lbs of fresh produce as part of our food assistance program. This food is parceled up into bags and delivered each week to 30 families at the Sheridan Neighborhood Head Start (right across from 331). Included in each bag is an item description of what veggies are inside and a prep suggestion for meals. Hilary Hazzard has been doing a wonderful job managing the garden this year and all the projects going on inside it.

We have started exploring another property in the neighborhood to expand the Sheridan Neighborhood garden. We can not add any additional lots in our current garden and we currently have a waitlist of community members that would like a plot. The Sheridan Garden Part 2 would allow for community rental plots and additional beds for the fresh food assistance programs.

We are also helping the Mosque water and garden their 5 plots. With the aim to help them harvest the produce and get it to their members in need. They have not had the member support they needed to facilitate all the beds this year so the Dangerous Man Volunteers have been assisting them. We also provided donated veggie plants and seeds for their garden.

#### 13TH AVE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION:

The association has spent a lot of time talking about parking recently. And are in the beginning stages of a parking study for the 13th avenue business district. The reason for the parking study is to be able to quantify the problem and work with the City on solutions for this area.

#### WHAT DOES SNO DO? SOME OF OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Sheridan Memorial Park

Lights on 13th - light poles along 13th Ave.

Funded the first year of the bike corral in front of Dangerous Man

Working with 13th Ave Business District on the parking study

Loaned money to Eastside Co-Op

Provide funds the last couple years to the Sheridan Community Garden

Ritz Theater - donated \$50K to get the theater up and running

Metro Blooms and rain gardens - 30 rain gardens have been up into Sheridan neighborhood.

SNO Day at the Farmers Market - August 18, 2018

Worked with Community Land Trust to purchase lots within our neighborhood

Donated funds to the memorial for sexual survivors in Boom Island Park.

Hired our first paid employee this year to help the all volunteer board.

**MAKE HOMES HAPPEN - JEFF WASHBURN:**

Jeff is with the City of Lakes Land Trust

Excited the Mayor has publicly stated he is interested in creating a new fund for affordable housing.  
Want to work and support our Councilperson's to make bold moves in regards to affordable housing.

Working with groups and individuals to sign on to the coalition.

**ADOPT-A-DRAIN**

Program through the City that you adopt a drain close to your home. You choose a drain close to your home and for a couple years dedicate to keeping the drain clean. This keeps things out of the Mississippi River that we don't want there.

**LOGO CONTEST:**

Winner will be announced by Friday, July 27 on SNO's social media channels.