

Sheridan Neighborhood Organization Meeting Minutes March 24, 2008 (by Pam Lohse)

Welcome and Introductions: All board members were present.

The February minutes were read, Seaen MacKay motioned to accept the minutes, Mike Romens seconded and the minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by Seaen MacKay.

Representatives reports:

Second Precinct (2PAC): Bill Lloyd attended the 2PAC Meeting and gave the following report. The bylaws are being changed. One person needs to attend the meetings from each neighborhood (with an alternate). Crime is down 42% year-to-date in the Second Precinct. Aggressive traffic stops are at 1,857 year-to-date. The next 2PAC meeting is April 14th at 6 P.M.. across from the Second Precinct.

MEND: Mike Romens reported that a representative is needed from Marshall Terrace.

Sheridan Memorial Park: Bill Lloyd reported that Diane Loeffler has introduced a bill for \$450,000.

AFCAC: No report.

CARE: Bill Lloyd attended the CARE meeting and gave the following report. 2136 Marshall Street N.E. has until May 15th to comply with housing and city ordinances. Predatory lending and vacant homes were discussed. People are encouraged to Adopt-A-House. The city of Minneapolis is boarding up houses with painted boards to appear lived in. Of 848 condemned houses, 550 were in North Minneapolis. People need to lock their vehicles and hide valuables. And lock your house to avoid burglaries.

Committee Reports:

Events Committee: Seaen MacKay made a motion to give \$2000 to Sheridan Memorial Park from SNOBALL and another \$1950 to the general fund. Mike Romens seconded and motion carried. The SNOBALL is coming up and Seaen would like to have another person cochair the Events Committee. The Ritz Theatre would like to pencil in the SNOBALL for the last Saturday in February 2009.

NRP: Nate Benton and Susan Kulstad from NRP talked about the "Top 5" which do not qualify for the GAP program (too many restrictions). A reminder that low-interest loans are still available. Contracts for Phase 1 are now being worked on. Pedestrian street lighting on 13th Avenue is on hold due to the city. Bike racks will be part of Phase 2 money.

Business Committee: No report.

Outreach: A flyer should be sent out announcing the upcoming annual meeting on April 28..

Open Mic: Ciao Girls is going into Frank Stone Gallery and EyeWare is moving into Hemingway Ceramics old space on 13th.

Crescent Trace Homeowners Group: George Jacob represented himself and 3 other owners that were present (of 16 total home owners). Catholic Eldercare has never sent a representative to speak to the SNOBoard. (They have received over 7 million dollars from the city in bonds to purchase housing in Crescent Trace.) Union Land is the developer. Forty rentals are looking to be bought by Catholic Eldercare for 55+ senior housing. Negotiations are ongoing between the homeowners and Catholic Eldercare. Closing is scheduled for March 31.

Announcements: Susan Kulstad has received a certificate from the Mayor of Minneapolis for her work on Lights on Sheridan program.

New Business: Mike Romens made a motion to appoint Jon Oulman as a SNOBoard Member. Seaeen MacKay seconded and motion carried.

Bill Lloyd moved to adjourn the meeting, Seaeen MacKay seconded and motion carried.