

Columbia Park Draft Meeting Minutes for Monday April 17, 2017

Board Members: Melody Devine, Joy Johnson, Jane McCarney, Mike Melman, Irro Mohamed, Stephanie Peterson and Jeff Schalles

Other: Staff: Liz Wielinski, Dan Karst, Drew Peterson, Tatiana Allen and her husband Jeff.

6:35 Call to Order for Board Actions by Melody

- Approval of the Agenda moved by Irro, 2nd Joy, approved
- Approval the Minutes of Monday March 20, 2017, moved by Jeff, 2nd Mike, approved
- Treasurer's Report- Receive and File moved by Mike, 2nd by Jane, approved
- Open Time: Jane's neighbor has concerns about 5XX 37th, they set bits of a beat up camper on fire and they ended up with the fire department there. They have increased the size of the fire pit and the neighbors are concerned about them burning more possibly toxic items.

There was a large camper parked on 5th. It was ticketed and moved.

Construction on 5XX 36 ½ AV NE continues.

CPNA is ok with using July 17, 2017 for community meeting regarding MNDOT closure of University in 2018

Drew Peterson: AFCAC (Above the Falls Citizen Advisory Committee) update...the CAC trades information about the above the falls area...anything that happens is fair and they are revving up to be the main advisory committee for the (Upper Harbor Terminal) UHT development. AFCAC is trying to get regular releases to send to neighborhoods.

General Meeting

New Business

Iris Garden

Tatiana Allen (and her husband Jeff) came and told us about the Iris Garden that is going to be at Columbia Golf. She is a member of the Iris society of MN and they will be a major partner with the Park Board. They will be needing volunteers. There will be a FB page to get people to follow and to help gather volunteers. Melody suggested we add this to our June newsletter.

Neighborhoods 2020 Meeting Update from Stephanie Peterson regarding the discussions to happen at this series of meetings. The NE meeting is on May 3rd at the Armory on Broadway ST NE from 5:30-8:30pm. There will be food and child care provided. The purpose of the meetings is to help determine the future of neighborhood organizations. The city is hoping to have between 100 and 200 people per meeting.

Modifications to the NRP TIF District, Mike moved, 2nd by Stephanie that we approve the letter Liz drafted and send it to the city, approved.

Old Business

Loan Program Fee changes...GMHC is changing the program, a lot more in fees that makes the program non-competitive with traditional lending. Liz and Melody will go to the meeting on the 26th of April.

Annual Meeting

Invite the elected officials, Jeff will get the signs and will need help putting them up.

Liz will find out about the bouncy house delivery cost and members of the board have offered to pay for it out of pocket

Crime and Safety Update

2-PAC update

This month was a visit from animal control. They talked about the various duties they have besides collecting off leash dogs. City limit on pets is 3 dogs and 3 cats, unlimited chickens and no roosters. There is nothing they can do about the wild turkeys. It is mating season for the turkeys currently so be careful. They talked about what situations can lead to animals being put down.

Sexual assaults are up 111% in the precinct this year. Please use caution, most are people who know each other. Aggravated assault and burglary are also up. There was a big drug bust and they were also caught counterfeiting money. Most bills were passed at local businesses.

– Announcements/ Communications

Earth Day is this Saturday 9:30 am – Noon at Columbia Park

Twin Cities Bike to Work Day

Friday, May 19th is Twin Cities Bike to Work Day, and we're here to help get you and your whole workplace out riding! From offering commuting classes for workplaces of all sizes, free business packets to promote riding, and pit stops along the way in to work that day - there's almost no excuse to miss riding!

[Pledge that you'll ride on Bike to Work Day](#) and get entered to win fun prizes. Be a bike Roll Model in your office with the help of our free office business kit and win more prizes!

EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

Elder and Caregiver Resource Assistance at East Side

Tuesdays, 12:30 pm-2:30 pm, Drop-in Hours

Stop in to meet Peggy, our Outreach & Resource Advocate. She will help connect to trusted and affordable resources for chores, financial help, personal care, activities, transportation, medical issues, legal issues and more.

Peggy is also available by appointment Monday - Thursday. Please call (612) 787-4104 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

North Mississippi Regional Park (I94 and 48th AV N exit) just across the Camden Bridge

May Day Baskets

Sunday, April 30, 1:30 – 3 pm

Welcome the warmer weather and the coming of summer with the tradition of May Baskets. Craft a lovely basket filled with your own handmade flowers and treats to leave on the doorknob of someone special. Free for all ages. All materials included. For information and to register:

https://apm.activecommunities.com/minneapolisparcs/Activity_Search/73596

7:57pm Adjourn, motion by Mike, 2nd Jane, approved