

CPNA Annual Meeting Draft Minutes for Monday June 18, 2018

6:30 – Potluck Picnic

7:10 – Call to Order by Melody Devine and Approval of the Agenda*

Introductions of Neighbors

Guest Speakers

Rashid Ali- Crime Prevention Specialist 2nd Precinct (North of Broadway)
Columbia Park is low crime, but be careful when you are away and lock up, don't make it obvious you are on vacation, NE Parade tomorrow, Burglary awareness program going on in NE

Kellie Kish- Recycling Coordinator-City of Minneapolis...what can and can not go in your recycling quiz
Though things seem recyclable they may not be able to go in the can on the curb. Often they must go to hazardous waste. Plastic bags must go to a drop off location. Labels available for your cans at home so your company throws things in the right place. The organics program through the city is doing well, but you must OPT IN. Columbia Park has a 42% participation rate. Take out containers...if it has a shiny lining it is not compostable unless it says it is compostable.

Brenda Yartz Center for Energy and the Environment (CPNA Loan Program)
We are a non profit that will be doing the CPNA home loan programs. When the paperwork is done you will be able to apply online.

Tammy Schmitz Mississippi Watershed Management Organization
We have information on how to be a good neighbor and keep pollution out of our waterbodies including the Mississippi.

Kevin Reich Ward 1 Council Member
Much of the work of the city gets accomplished with these organizations who we partner with. We have also had good partners with our neighborhood organizations. This is being debated at the city as our funding stream change. The neighborhood is a great partner and the city needs to consider them a integral part of the city and funded as such. The city is also working on the 2040 comprehensive plan to turn into the Met Council for how we see the city moving forward. Please participate either as a neighborhood or as individuals. Bridge overlook celebration coming soon.

Linda Higgins County Commissioner
The county has a pilot project where we took some tax forfeited propertied. Hired some young and under represented contractors and rehabbed them for sale. Often these properties went to not so good characters and never were improved. This pilot gives

new small businesses in the community opportunities. Because Hennepin County is so big we usually use the big contractors. Now we are learning how to work with small businesses and more businesses get a piece of the work. We help get rid of blight and support small businesses.

Our other project is pathways to employment. We train, often provide internships and then they can move into better jobs in both the county and elsewhere

The land at 37th and University was put up for sale. There are 3 bids and the process is on going and we are in touch with the neighborhood with what we are legally able to provide information wise.

Kari Dziejcz State Senator and Diane Loeffler State Representative

Not the best year at the state, the omnibus bills were huge and complex and we were given nearly no time to study them. The governor was adamant that huge bills were not getting across his desk. The governor was very clear on what he wanted and would not even sign bills with his desires if they were attached to too many not preferred items so his veto pen was busy on both a supplemental budget and a tax bill.

The state pensions were one of the items that the legislature did work on this year. The bill passed unanimously. This protects all of us in the future because having pension liabilities out of control can affect the state's credit rating etc...

The bonding bill passed and there was some money added at the last minute to keep the Stone Arch bridge from being closed as the footing as crumbling underwater.

The Metro Parks bonding and the University building maintenance bonding passed.

The issues with MNLARS are not only affecting tabs and car licensing it is also affecting the new state REAL ID's needed for flying etc... many of the bugs have been worked out, but for collector's plates and personalized plates. REAL ID may not be available until after this fall, but we did get an extension from the feds.

Chris Meyer Park Commissioner

The bonding bill funds the MPRB received will help connect Hall's Island to the mainland via new bridges and help us get under the Plymouth AV Bridge. It will also go to Waterworks on the west side.

Big things in the works...in the process of hiring a new superintendent
The East of the River Master plan for the neighborhood parks on the east side will be taking comments starting in July.

Just beginning the budget process for 2018. We will be looking for input going forward.

I can be contacted to go on a walk to look at issues and I have office hours on Fridays at the MPRB HQ from 1-4pm.

Old Business

Draft CPNA meeting minutes for Monday May 21, 2018 (approve)* Motion to approve by Dorothy Hughes, 2nd by Bobby Wielinski, approved.

Receive and file the June treasurer's report* moved by Elaine Nissen, 2nd by Jeff Schalles

New Business

State of the Neighborhood- Co Chair Melody Devine

Parks, bridges, Iris Garden, 37th AV construction. Q: When will the alley's get fixed A: CPNA will check into it.

Approve the End of Year Financials for 2017 to file with the Attorney General's Office*

Motion to approve the Move by Jane McCarney, 2nd Bobby Wielinski, approved

Election of CPNA board members (10) for 2018-19*

Nominations

Melody Devine, Joy Johnson, Jeff Schalles, Mike Melman, Cass Markovich, Vickie Jensen, Stephanie Peterson, Jane McCarney, and Elaine Nissan

To elect this slate: Moved by Duane Van Vickle, 2nd by Bobby Wielinski, approved

Thanks to Dan and Linda Karst for hiring Patrick the magician for tonight, Jane for the post cards, Jeff for the meeting signs and Liz for keeping it all together.

Door Prizes!! Thank you to the businesses and people who donated the door prizes.

8:30- Adjourn* Motion by Bobby, 2nd by Dorothy Hughes, approved

*vote required