



CEDAR ISLES DEAN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES, August 10, 2016

The meeting was held at Jones-Harrison Residence. Board members in attendance: Secretary Rosanne Halloran, Stephen Goltry, Barbara Lunde, Jan Nielsen, James Reid, Karen Stublaski, Vern Vander Weide, and Mike Wilson.

Staff: Monica Smith

Rosanne Halloran called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Announcements

- Planning has begun for the 2016 Wine Tasting Fundraiser. Tentative date is October 26.
- The Vice Chair position remains open.

Fall Festival

The Fall Festival will be held on October 2. The CIDNA Board approved the budget of \$2,400. Volunteers are needed; contact info@cidna.org to help.

NRP/CPP Report, Monica Smith

- The City Council approved the Community Participation Program (CPP) guidelines and allocations for the next three-year cycle beginning in 2017.
- The next gardening day is August 27, 9:00 a.m. – Noon at Park Siding Park.
- The next NRP Committee meeting is August 31, 3:30 p.m. at Rustica.

Council Member Lisa Goodman, Ward 7

- Sidewalk replacement work has begun in CIDNA.
- The variance was approved to increase the maximum height of a fence at 3141 Dean Court.
- Trammel Crow project: the developer was ordered to remove wood framing that does not meet state fire code and replace it with wood that is code compliant.
- Election judges are needed for the general election. For more information, vote.minneapolismn.gov/judges/.
- Hazardous Waste Drop Off is August 18-20, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 340 27th Ave NE. Details at hennepin.us/collectionevents.
- CM Goodman is supportive of providing basic funding for neighborhood organizations to continue the work of engaging residents on behalf of the city.

Transportation Committee

- The FTA issued the “record of decision” for Southwest LRT allowing the project to move forward.
- Unresolved local funding for SWLRT may be considered in a special session of the legislature.
- The price of SWLRT increased by another \$19 million for a new total cost of \$1,858 billion.

Land Use Committee, Bob Corrick

- The lawsuit against Trammell Crow continues.
- The Greystar project is nearing completion.

- The Land Use Committee is working with Hennepin County to pursue an at-grade trail connection to the Greenway via Thomas Ave as part of the landscaping project for the Greystar development.

Metro Transit Route 9 Concept Plan, Steve Mahowald, Senior Transit Planner

Metro Transit is recommending a concept plan for restructuring Route 9 that impacts service in the CIDNA area. The plan proposes eliminating the Route 9H service along Ewing/France/W 26th St.

Community meetings are scheduled for:

September 8, 4:30-6:00 p.m. (public hearing, presentation at 5:00 p.m.) at Harrison Education Center, 501 Irving Ave N and September 10, 1:00-2:00 p.m. (presentation at 1:30) at Showplace ICON Theatre community room, 1625 West End Blvd, St. Louis Park.

Comments on the concept plan will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on September 19. Send comments to: service.development@metrotransit.org, 651-602-1500, or Metropolitan Council, 390 N Robert St, St. Paul, MN 55101

If approved, the plan will be implemented in March 2017.

For more information, go to www.metrotransit.org/west-end.

Pedestrian Safety Committee, Steve Goltry

The committee continues to try to engage with Hennepin County for pedestrian safety improvement to the Lake St/Excelsior Blvd area.

Midtown Greenway Coalition, Mike Wilson

The Craft Beer Pedaler fundraiser was held on August 6.

The Coalition needs new members and new funding to allow them to continue to improve and protect the Greenway.

Neighborhood Organization Advocacy, Rosanne Halloran

Neighborhood organizations met on July 19 to continue discussing the future of neighborhoods when the dedicated funding source from the City expires. The group will draft a mission statement and a survey.

Calhoun Refectory Project, Monica Smith

The Park Board is conducting a facility and grounds study of the Calhoun Refectory building (currently operated by The Tin Fish). Two open houses are schedule to gather community input in planning for future improvements to the site.

Open Houses will be held at the Calhoun Refectory, 3000 E Calhoun Pkwy on August 12, 7:00-9:30 a.m., Noon-2:00 p.m. and 4:00-6:00 p.m. and September 8, Noon-2:00 p.m. and 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Organization and Elections, Monica Smith

Neighborhood boards are tax-exempt organizations that are bound by IRS and contractual restrictions regarding political activity. The IRS code states that tax-exempt organizations may not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office. Neighborhood organization may participate in voter registration, work on ballot initiatives and organize non-partisan candidate forums.

New Business

The NRP Committee will review a request to fund and host a poetry performance.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next meeting

The next meeting is Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 6:00 p.m. at Jones-Harrison Residence.

Note to CIDNA residents: sign up for our monthly e-newsletter by sending a request to info@cidna.org.

--Submitted by Monica Smith