
No members of the public attended the meeting.

1. There were no Additions to the Agenda.

2. The Board approved the Minutes for the April 12, 2018, meeting without addition or correction.

3. There was no new business.

4. Financials. Treasurer Andy Gesell reported on the financials which had been distributed in advance of the meeting with the agenda. Andy will be available at 6:30 pm prior to the next board meeting on June 14 to give a primer on how to read the balance sheet and profit and loss statements for anyone wanting more information.

5. GABA Liaison. Andy Gesell reported that GABA has a new website. Grand Old Day is June 3, and Mayor Carter and Councilperson Noecker will be grand marshals. Andy, together with other GABA members and Monica, met with Councilperson Noecker about Grand Avenue issues. A report on Ward 2 commercial vacancies from the Humphrey Institute has been presented, and GABA will review it.

6. Innovation Fund/Grant. Andy Rorvig revealed a $6700 grant to which SHA may be entitled if it applies by or before June 9 with a relevant project to increase participation (in the community generally) among under-represented constituents. After seeking volunteers, Andy appointed Peter Rhodes, David Kratz, and himself as the committee that will evaluate and put forward ideas before the executive committee meets on June 7.

7. Committee Reports.

   Development Committee. Hayden Howland reported that the May 5 garage sale and progressive supper were both successful, and the next progressive supper is November 3. Another money raising opportunity occurs on Grand Old Day “GOC” when SHA will be pouring beer in the Walgreens lot. SHA receives $750 plus all tips. Everyone is encouraged to participate with friends and family; all pourers must attend alcohol training at Mitchell Hamline at 6:00 on May 16 or 17.
Environment Committee. Susan Schultz told the board about the May 5 park cleanup in which 20 people participated – filling a dumpster and compostable materials bin - and were rewarded by the city’s Parks and Rec Department. The plant sale going on at the same time was less successful this year, perhaps because of the short pre-order time and the late snow. There will be a field day on the topic of water stewardship and rain garden maintenance with Linwood A+ second grade students on May 23 at the park, and volunteers are always welcome. In addition, there will be a “WaterStories” Painting Reveal and Artist’s Talk on Wed., June 13 from 5:30-6:30 to which all are invited. Ann Hejny, the artist working with the children, will reveal the work of art the children and she created at the field day.

Pedestrian Safety/Traffic Calming Committee. Bridget Ales said the committee presented to, and was enthusiastically received by, GABA regarding the parabolic mirrors. While they cannot be mounted to the utility poles as hoped, the committee will be talking to building owners about mounting them on buildings. SHA will offer SPA a STOP FOR ME campaign.

Communications and Outreach. Liz Gibba welcomes Jason Colling to the committee which is developing a master calendar with deadlines for all communications outlets and board sponsored events. An automatic e-mail reminder system is also in place. Liz will work the SHA booth at GOD.

Zoning & Land Use Committee. Lori Brostrom reported that the Historic Preservation Commission (“HPC”), an arm of Planning & Economic Development (“PED”), will meet on May 24 regarding the changes proposed by staff to Chapter 73 of the city code. Subsequently, we will hold, perhaps with another district, a meeting at which the public will be able to question HPC staff about the revisions. The city passed the staff-recommended changes to residential permit parking, without the changes sought by our neighbors who are subject to it.

Neighborhood Comp Plan Committee. Shannon O’Toole reported that the committee continues to analyze the data in preparation for the next phase of community involvement, focus groups. The Lynne Rossetto Kasper dinner was successful and fun, and the upcoming Coco’s Diary Revue on May 21 at SPA should be as well.

8. Executive Director’s Report. Monica reported that there was a fight on Deubner and at the park on May 6 which resulted in property damages to the participants’ vehicles and three people being taken to Regions. Police and Councilperson Noecker will meet with concerned residents on May 29 at the Rec Center. The city has begun rollout of the organized trash collection process with cart selection due to the city by June 1. The complete changeover is slated to begin October 1, 2018. The city has not yet given the district councils the tools they will need to respond to questions.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:58 pm.