Summit Hill Association 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes
Mount Zion Temple
October 23, 2019 at 7pm

I. Intro by Hayden Howland
   • Recap of the 2019 accomplishments

II. Mayor Melvin Carter Remarks
   • Highlights of administrative accomplishments over the last two years and talking points for additional future goals, specifically:
     o “New approach” to public safety and public violence. Building a “community first” public safety principals
       ▪ Trust that law enforcement will treat people safely
       ▪ Engage community members
     o College savings account initiative—expected to be in place January 2020
     o Crime prevention through environmental design—to proactively limit opportunities for crime
     o Economic Development—facilitating businesses’ ability to tap into the local workforce
     o Logistics, public transit and high-density housing to allow for future growth of the city

III. Councilperson Rebecca Noecker Remarks
   • Dominant feeling in St. Paul is hope and optimism
   • Thanked SHA board and committee members in their participation within the community

IV. Overview of Bylaws Review
   • Rachael Spiegel, Bylaws Committee Chair gave a brief overview of why SHA decided to revise its bylaws, including:
     o SHA has not revised its bylaws since 2008
     o It has become apparent over the last few years that the current 2008 Bylaws have not been fitting the needs of the organization and were also not in compliance with MN non-profit laws and regulations
     o SHA retained outside counsel with expertise in non-profit community boards to assist the board with re-drafting the bylaws
     o From March through September 2019, the Bylaws committee worked with outside counsel, as well as the SHA board to re-draft the SHA Bylaws
     o At the September 2019 SHA Board Meeting, the board voted unanimously to approve the revised Bylaws, and to post the bylaws for public review prior to the October 2019 Annual Meeting (as is required by the 2008 Bylaws).

V. Board Candidate Speeches
   • Sonja Mason (current board member up for re-election)
   • Holly Geck (current board member up for re-election)
   • Mark Lindley (current board member up for re-election)
• Simon Taghioff
• Mike King
• James Slegers

VI. Financial Report—Abhi Andley Treasurer
• Covered 2019 financial status
• Provided high level review of the 2018 audit conducted by third-party accounting firm

VII. Annual Appeal—Mary Gearan and Katie Bergstrom
• Request to donate money to SHA and discussed the importance of the annual appeal for supplementing SHA’s budget
• Mary discussed the house tour and encouraged volunteers to participate in the house tour

VII. Good Neighbor Awards
• Peter Rhoades presented Good Neighbor Awards to teachers and 2nd grade students from the Global Arts Plus School and The Future is Grand Task Force

VIII. Voting Results
• All six board members were elected to the SHA Board
• In a vote of 33 to 29 the Proposed Bylaws passed approval by SHA members
  o Votes were counted at the back of the meeting room by SHA board member Denise Aldrich and SHA Executive Director Monica Haas
  o SHA board member Rachael Spiegel observed both Denise and Monica count the votes
  o There were 66 total votes cast, however 4 ballots were considered invalid, and not counted for the Bylaws vote because the ballots either did not vote for the Bylaws, or (one ballot) check both “yes” and “no” regarding approving the Bylaws

IX. Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjourned