

January 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met January 7, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.

Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, Jeremy Nichols, Kyle Leier, Mark Brown, and Will Stensrud; Absent: Carl Goldstein and Jack Levi. Also present: Lisa Goodman (CM).

The agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City Council Update – CM Lisa Goodman

- Lunch with Lisa will be held on January 30th, 12:00 – 1:00 PM, at the University of St. Thomas in Minneapolis, lunch is offered for \$10. A variety of development planners will be discussing their current and future projects.
- The hearing for the request to build a garage at 2512 W 21st St has been continued and is still pending.
- Please do not place Christmas lights into recycling. The city will pick up Christmas trees, please place by your regular garbage receptacles.
- The Community Connections Conference will be held on February 2nd. This conference is meant to build connections and foster collaboration between community, neighborhoods, and government.

Name Change Update - Shawn Smith

- Consistent with the Articles of Incorporation, the neighborhood organization change of name from KIAA to KNO has been completed. In addition, the IRS has been notified of the change of name and to re-affirm tax exempt status.

Treasury Report – Matt Spies

- Treasurer provided an updated report on budget to include expenses and income. More detailed information is available upon request.

Updates to By-laws – Shawn Smith

- According to *Neighborhood Organizations and Bylaws*, “a written action by the board taken without a meeting must be signed by all directors (section 317A.239)”. There was discussion to change KNO’s bylaws to reduce this mandate. The board decided to complete further research and gather more information prior to a vote. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.
- A motion passed to approve filing with the Minnesota Attorney General for tax exempt status.

Sponsorship Requests – Shawn Smith

- Kenwood Community School requested support for their annual auction and school projects. Two levels of support were requested, Level 1 \$1000 towards a school amphitheater or \$750 towards the DNR school forest initiative. A motion was passed to approve a donation of \$750.
- Rock Kenwood 2019 requested \$250 to support a community focused, family fun, rock themed concert. A motion was passed, with one in opposition, to approve a donation of \$250.

Other Business

- KNO board voted in unanimous agreement not to sponsor a table at the Community Connections Conference
- A motion passed to renew the contract with Amanda Vallone

- Parks 2020: four upcoming public meetings are scheduled for the end of Jan through Feb; a representative will be attending the KNO February 4th meeting to discuss possible changes to the Kenwood Park

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Shawn Smith at 8:45 PM.

Action Between Meetings - All

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February 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

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Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby, Secretary Amy Noble, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, Jack Levi, Jeremy Nichols, Carl Goldstein, and Will Stensrud; Absent: Treasurer Matt Spies, Kyle Leier, and Mark Brown. Also present: Lisa Goodman (CM), Larry Moran, Madeline Hudek, and 3 neighbors

The agenda was approved with one revision to add New Business.

City Council Update – CM Lisa Goodman

- Lunch with Lisa in January was cancelled due to severe weather and St Thomas closing their buildings; the community development guests are rescheduled for Lunch with Lisa in March
- February Lunch with Lisa will be held on the 27th and the guest will be Kate Mortenson to discuss the Final Four, 12:00 – 1:00 PM, at the University of St. Thomas in Minneapolis, lunch is offered for \$10.
- The city's tax department has produced and released a video on property tax calculation value and can be viewed at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SasSQY4oK_Q
- Minneapolis property owners can enter the lottery to buy a low-cost tree, enter by March 18th, register at www.treetrust.org
- The 2020 Neighborhood Framework has been released, public comment is open through March 31st, <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/ncr/2020>
- The Transportation Action Plan will help guide transportation designs that align with the 2040 plan. The committee is currently accepting feedback, a draft plan will be released at the end of the year for final approval in 2020, <http://go.minneapolismn.gov/>
- City Council voted to advance a measure that would require homeowners and landlords to disclose a home's energy efficiency. A new inspection prior to the sale of a home would require an energy test to include drilling a 2-inch hole into the walls of a property to measure insulation. Inspectors would also check windows, heating systems and insulation in attics.
- The variance for a garage at 2512 W 21st Street was approved

SW Parks Master Plan Update – Madeline Hudek

- Madeline provided an overview of the new park plans for Kenwood Park and the addition of bike lanes on Kenwood Parkway; these plans can be viewed at https://www.minneapolisparcs.org/park_care_improvements/park_projects/current_projects/southwest_service_area_master_plan/
- Four public feedback sessions have been held, if you would like to provide feedback please submit via the Park Board website - Southwest Parks Master Plan Update, Tell Us What You Think (link provided above)
- Kenwood residents in attendance expressed concerns over the addition of protected bikes lanes to Kenwood Parkway and removing parking on one side of the road, this is especially concerning on the north end of the parkway where parking is already restricted to one side and this would alleviate all parking. In addition, there is concern about the addition of white pylons to mark the protected bike lanes. The question was raised why bike lanes are needed on Kenwood Parkway when Kenilworth Trail runs parallel within two blocks of the parkway?

2019 Priority Plan Budget – Shawn Smith

- Chair Shawn Smith reviewed the current community participation program (CPP) cycle 2017-2019 and provided information on KNO's grant, contract, paid, and available balance
- KNO board discussed the 2019 monetary allocations and made recommendations for allocations, \$7,500 will be held in reserve for future use:
 - Administrative: \$12,500
 - SWLRT Management: \$1,000
 - Lake of the Isles Protect Environment: \$1,000
 - Kenwood School and Parks and Rec: \$3,000
 - East Cedar Lake Beach: \$10,000
- A motion was passed to preliminary allocate the remaining CPP funds from the current funding cycle towards the Kenwood Neighborhood Organization's priorities and other expenses
- The public will be notified, and a final vote of approval will be taken at the KNO monthly meeting on March 4, 2019, 7 PM, at the Kenwood Recreation Center, for the purpose of initiating a contract for CPP funds with the City of Minneapolis; this report is required by the city to be eligible for CPP funding
- Comments or feedback regarding these allocations made be made prior to the board vote on March 4, 2019, at KIAA55405@gamil.com

Neighborhood Annual Report – Shawn Smith

- Chair Shawn Smith reviewed the Neighborhood Annual Report
- A motion was passed to accept the report with one addition of including the Kenwood School as a stakeholder as KNO has supported projects on an annual basis
- The report will be submitted to the city by March 15, 2019

Neighborhoods 2020 – Shawn Smith

- Chair Shawn Smith reviewed the draft plan for Neighborhoods 2020; the board decided not to submit a formal response but does support the plan in concept; the board will seek more details in the next phase on how neighborhood organizations will be funded
- Public comment is open until March 31st at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/ncr/2020>

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Shawn Smith at 9:30 PM.

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March 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

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Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Angie Erdrich, Kyle Leier, Evelyn Turner, Jeremy Nichols, Carl Goldstein, Mark Brown, and Will Stensrud; Absent: Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby and Jack Levi. Also present: Lisa Goodman (CM), Amanda Vallone, David Davies and Sam O'Connell from the Southwest Project office, Laura Hoffman from Hennepin County District 3, and 17 neighbors.

The agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City Council Update – CM Lisa Goodman

- Winter parking restrictions are in-place until April 1st; if you are experiencing any specific problems regarding snow removal, please call 311 to report.
- March Lunch with Lisa will be held on the 27th and a developer panel will be the guest speakers; they will be discussing specific projects within the ward. You may sign-up by email or by calling Lisa's office.
- The Transportation Action Plan will help guide transportation designs that align with the 2040 plan. The Vision Zero Action Plan is a three-year plan to end traffic fatalities and severe injuries. The committee is currently accepting feedback, a draft plan will be released at the end of the year for final approval in 2020.
- The Minneapolis Zoning Board of Adjustments currently has two open positions. If you are interested in serving on the board, you can find further information at the City Clerk's website.
- The Minneapolis Convention Center is sponsoring Movies Under the Domes: March 21st Guardians of the Galaxy Vol 2, April 25th Moana, and May 16h Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse, all showings are free to the public and start at 6:30 PM.

Kenwood School Request for Funding – Cathy Sullivan

- A request for funding to support an outdoor classroom was presented by Cathy Sullivan, a kindergarten teacher at Kenwood School.
- The total cost of the project is projected to be \$10,000 and will include a large space for classroom teaching and activities, benches, and flowers and bushes that support bees and butterflies. Cathy is seeking financial donations and volunteer labor from a variety of sources.
- A motion was made to support the Kenwood School outdoor classroom with a \$1000 donation from the CPP funds. The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

SWLRT Presentation – David Davies

- Southwest LRT Project Office community outreach coordinator, David Davies, presented a PowerPoint presentation which provided information on SWLRT background, 2019 plans, and the preparations for upcoming construction.
- Heavy construction is expected to take 3 years and prior to full operation, systems and safety testing will be completed. Initial construction will begin in 2019 but the contractor has yet to provide the project office a complete schedule of construction activities.
- Noise and vibration monitoring will be in place in sensitive areas. Hours of work are estimated to be 7AM – 6PM but the contractor can apply for a variance to these times. There will be a hotline in place for residents to call with concerns.
- There will be a variety of outreach activities in the spring of 2019 as well as throughout the project. A joint meeting with CIDNA is scheduled for March 20th, 7-8:30 PM, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.
- The SWLRT claim issue will be discussed in more detail at the March 20th meeting

Treasurer Update and Community Participation Program (CPP) Contract – Matt Spies and Shawn Smith

- Treasurer provided an updated report on budget to include expenses and income. More detailed information is available upon request.
- Chair Shawn Smith reviewed the 2019 monetary allocations that were preliminarily approved by the board at the February 2019 meeting. These allocations were provided to the public for input via the KNO email distribution list and publication of the February 2019 minutes:
 - Administrative: \$12,500
 - SWLRT Management: \$1,000
 - Lake of the Isles Protect Environment: \$1,000
 - Kenwood School and Parks and Rec: \$3,000
 - East Cedar Lake Beach: \$10,000
- A motion was passed to allocate the CPP funds, the motion was seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

East Cedar Lake Beach 2019 Programming – Will Stensrud

- Will Stensrud provided the board and neighbors with a proposed budget for 2019 summer programming and community engagement activities. Total funds requested is \$8975. This includes \$2500 for Park Police overtime hours which is a reduction from the \$5000 allocated last year.
- Activities and entertainment include yoga 1x/week, an acoustic music series, family activities, beach equipment and supplies, and outreach programming.
- Partnerships have been established with the Park Police and Cedar Lake Park Association to support these activities with volunteers and monetary donations.
- A motion was passed to approve the East Cedar Lake Beach programming budget, the motion was seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Southwest Parks Master Plan, KNO Response – Shawn Smith

- Neighbors in attendance expressed concerns regarding the proposed protected bike lane on Kenwood Parkway. The majority stated that they prefer no change to the parkway. Other concerns stated were regarding the possible elimination of parking on one side of the parkway, the possible removal of mature trees, and why is a bike lane necessary when the Kenilworth trail is two blocks to the west.
- Kenwood Park proposals: one neighbor stated she does not support off-road biking in the park as the space is limited and others stated they did not support building new tennis courts when the current ones are in good shape. The proposed walking trail within the park was met with approval.
- Shawn Smith will contact Madeline Hudek at the Park Board to seek further information on the proposed bike lanes and if unprotected bike lanes were considered when the master plan was developed. Shawn Smith will draft a response to the Southwest Parks Master Plan Proposal which will then be sent to the board for approval. A motion was made to allow the board two days for review of the response and that a simple majority vote will be accepted to approve the response. The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Annual Meeting – Shawn Smith

- The annual meeting will be held on May 6th on the plaza in front of the Kenwood Rec Center. This will allow enough space for neighbors to gather, bathrooms and water fountains will be available, power is available, and the rec center gym will be used as an alternative site in case of inclement weather.
- Due to high cost of catering, the board will provide a combination of grilled foods (hamburgers, hotdogs, veggie burgers), delivered pizzas, and a variety of side dishes. The board will seek a permit from the Park Board to host this event.

- A motion was made to approve a budget of \$1000 for the annual meeting. The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.
- Ange Erdrich will coordinate volunteers for the annual meeting

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Shawn Smith at 9:12 PM.

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April 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met April 1, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.
Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Kyle Leier, Evelyn Turner, Jeremy Nichols, Carl Goldstein, Jack Levi, and Will Stensrud; Absent: Angie Erdrich and Mark Brown. Also present: Amanda Vallone, Marc Holtey, Aria Christenson, and 3 neighbors.

The agenda was amended to indicate end of meeting time as 8:30 PM and added agenda items of East Cedar Lake Beach and KNO newsletter. The amended agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City of Minneapolis Update – Shawn Smith
April Lunch with Lisa will be held on the 24

th and guest speakers will discuss the
Minneapolis Transportation Action Plan and Vision Zero Initiative. The lunch will be held at St. Thomas, Opus Hall; you may sign-up by email or by calling Lisa's office.

Leaf, bundled brush, and yard clipping collection begins the week of April 8th

To collect community input on transportation, the city will be hosting community workshops and 1 online open house in April. For workshop dates, times, and locations, please visit <http://go.minneapolismn.gov/>

There are openings on several Minneapolis boards and commissions. If interested, please visit minneapolismn.gov/boards/openings

Planning for Annual Gathering and 2019-2020 Elections – Shawn Smith/Angie Erdrich
The annual KNO meeting will be held on May 6th at 6PM and will take place in the plaza at the Kenwood Recreation Center; if there is inclement weather, the meeting will be held inside.

Food will be provided by KNO, let us do the grilling! KNO will supply burgers, hot dogs, all the fixings, vegetarian grill options, veggie trays, chips, and drinks. Artrageous will have face-painting and other activities for children.

Election of board officers for 2019-2020 will take place, if anyone is interested in joining the KNO board, please contact Shawn Smith. KNO is also seeking volunteers and chairpersons for SWLRT, 2020 Parks, Diversity, Community Participation Program, and Fundraising.

Aria Christenson was introduced to the board; she is a new resident who is interested in becoming a board member

SW Neighborhood Parks Master Plan – Shawn Smith

Neighborhood outreach on proposed changes to Kenwood Parkway was completed, informational flyers were distributed to all homes on Kenwood Parkway

KNO sent a response to the park board regarding the SW Neighborhood Parks Master plan, specifically addressing the proposed changes to Kenwood Parkway and Kenwood Park. The response was based upon neighborhood input and feedback

There are upcoming opportunities for public comment on the park board proposals; to receive emails about events and news, sign up at https://www.minneapolisparcs.org/park_care__improvements/park_projects/current_projects/southwest_service_area_master_plan/

Endorsement of LHNA 2020 Neighborhoods Response – Shawn Smith

A motion was made to email Minneapolis City Council with the statement: "We ask you to instruct the Neighborhood and Community Relations Department to partner in good faith

with neighborhood organizations to revise the document for your consideration at a later date." The motion was seconded and passed with an unanimous vote.

Treasurer Update – Matt Spies

Treasurer provided an updated report on the budget to include expenses and income. More detailed information is available upon request.

SWLRT Discussion – Shawn Smith

Joint board meeting with CIDNA was held on March 20th with representatives from SWLRT; approximately 120 people were in attendance and meeting minutes were posted. One concern generated from the meeting is fire/EMS response time when Cedar Lake Rd will be closed during construction. In talking with the city, the road is not proposed to be closed until 2020. A joint meeting with CIDNA will be scheduled with fire/EMS to better understand the city's emergency plan and to answer questions.

At the joint meeting, Marion Greene had stated she would provide the names at the Federal Transportation Authority that Met Council is lobbying for full federal support of SWLRT; Shawn Smith will follow-up with Marion and request this information.

A neighbor proposed that KNO board should inquire about having homeowners' property taxes lowered during SWLRT construction.

A neighbor recommended that homeowners may want to consider having their home appraised prior to construction if their property is not a part of the SWLRT pre-inspection coverage.

East Cedar Lake Beach 2019 Programming – Will Stensrud

A committee meeting will be held on April 18th, location to be determined.

The Park Board has requested that KNO complete a formal stewardship form which will formally recognize KNO's volunteer efforts at East Cedar Lake Beach and become a part of the Park Steward Program.

Bi-Annual Newsletter – Amanda Vallone

Amanda reviewed the newsletter's content.

She recommended a new email to reflect the organization's name change; this new email will be printed in the newsletter.

The newsletter will be completed by April 15th and residents should receive the newsletter approximately April 25th.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Shawn Smith at 8:49 PM.

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Kenwood Neighborhood Organization Annual Meeting

The annual meeting for the Kenwood Neighborhood Organization (KNO) was held on May 6, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center. Approximately 100 neighbors attended the meeting and enjoyed dinner while meeting new friends and socializing with old friends. Many children enjoyed their time playing soccer and face painting was provided by ArtRageous. Although the weather was a bit chilly, the KNO board was very pleased with the strong turnout for the annual meeting. We look forward to seeing everyone at future meetings and at next year's annual Meeting.

CM Lisa Goodman welcomed the attendees and thanked the KNO board for their service. Information was shared on an upcoming community event, Doors Open Minneapolis, which will take place on May 18-19, 2019. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Lisa's office. Hennepin County Commissioner Marion Greene was also in attendance and made brief remarks, thanking the community for coming together and supporting the neighborhood organization. Shawn Smith, KNO Chair, shared KNO's continuing priorities and reviewed how the KNO board has supported these priorities over the past year. This included continued, positive programming at East Cedar Lake Beach, responses to the city on the 2040 Plan and SW Neighborhood Parks Master Plan, support of the Kenwood School, and continued communication regarding SWLRT. Shawn introduced current board members and recognized two board members who are stepping down from their board positions, Vice-Chair Jeanette Colby and Carl Goldstein. Shawn introduced Aria Christenson who is seeking a position on the board. A motion was made and seconded to elect the slated board members and the neighbors voted in favor with no dissents. The board is always seeking new members and volunteers. If you are interested in serving or volunteering your time, please contact Shawn Smith.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Shawn Smith at 7:00 PM. Following the formal portion of the meeting, many neighbors lingered to socialize with friends and to enjoy the food provided by KNO until 8:00 PM.

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The next Kenwood Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Board meeting is on June 3rd from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Kenwood Recreation Center. Monthly meetings are held on the first calendar Monday of each month unless otherwise noted. KNO invites and encourages participation by every resident, including renters to each program, service, and event organized by KNO. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, please let us know by contacting us at kenwoodminneapolis.org

June 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met June 3, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.

Temporary Chair Jeremy Nichols called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Directors present: Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Jeremy Nichols, Aria Christenson, Will Stensrud, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, Jack Levi, and Marc Brown; Absent: Chair Shawn Smith and Kyle Leier. Also present: Larry Moran and Marc Hotley

The agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City of Minneapolis Update – CM Lisa Goodman

The June Lunch with Lisa will be held on the 26th and there will be a tour of development projects in the downtown area, busing will be provided. There will be no Lunch with Lisa in July and August, the September lunch will be a panel of speakers from different boards and commissions.

Metro Transit and SWLRT have a hotline to call for updates: 612-373-3933 or you may sign-up for email updates at www.SWLRT.org

Jeremy Nichols advised that the next KNO board meeting will be held on July 8th (unless there are too many conflicts for board members) due to the July 4th holiday week

2019 – 2020 Election of Officers

Chair – Shawn Smith

Vice Chair – Jeremy Nichols

Secretary – Amy Noble

Treasurer – Matt Spies

The KNO officers were elected by unanimous vote by the board members present.

SW Neighborhood Parks Master Plan – Larry Moran

In response to input from the community, revised park plans were released on 5/31/19 for public review and additional comments will be taken through June 2019

The revised plans for Kenwood Parkway and Kenwood Park can be viewed here:

https://www.minneapolisparcs.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/190529_RefinedMasterPlans_North.pdf

Several changes were made to the Kenwood Park plan to include additional multi-purpose fields, walking paths, interpretative nature trail, sand volleyball, and multi-use

bike/pedestrian trails

The bike lanes proposed for Kenwood Parkway were removed and added to Kenwood Park, running north from Franklin up Logan, west on Douglas, and north on Morgan to Kenwood Parkway for 500 feet to then connect to the existing bike trail on the north side of Kenwood Parkway to Parade

Safety concerns were discussed regarding adding bike/pedestrian lanes to this area of Kenwood Parkway which is already narrow, with a steep hill and a curve

Concerns were raised with adding a bike/pedestrian trail in the park which could mean the loss of mature trees along Logan and Morgan

Treasurer Update – Matt Spies

Treasurer provided an updated report on the budget to include expenses and income.

More detailed information is available upon request.

The annual budget for 2019-2020 will be introduced at the July meeting

The board unanimously approved a \$100 donation to ArtRageous for their support of the Annual Meeting

Committee Updates

Will Stensrud provided an update on East Cedar Lake Beach

o The first Hidden Acoustics event on Memorial Day weekend was a success

- o The Family Beach opener is scheduled for 6/8/19 at 3PM; BBQ will be provided by the Park Police and Brother Ghana drum circle will begin at 3:30
- o A morning clean-up crew has been implemented with 4 days currently covered. If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist in resetting chairs, picking up beach toys, and maintaining a clean beach free of litter, please contact Will Stensrud

Angie Erdrich provided a recap of the Annual Meeting

- o Pleased with the good turnout and felt the BBQ was successful. This is something the board would do again in the future
- o The menu will be adjusted for next year as there was too much food, but the pizza added a good mix

VOLUNTEER LEADS

Seeking leads for the following initiatives, if interested, please contact Shawn Smith

- o SWLRT
- o Park Board
- o East Cedar Lake Beach – Will Stensrud
- o Neighborhood Revitalization Program and Community Participation Program
- o Neighborhood 2020 Compliance
- o Fundraising

SWLRT –

Starting 6/10/19, for approximately 30 days to complete water main and sewer work, Burnham Road will be closed northbound at Cedar Lake Pkwy. The Burnham Rd. bridge will be open for two-way traffic during this closure. The detour is Cedar Lake Pkwy to Dean Pkwy East, north on Lake of the Isles Pkwy, west on Sheridan to Burnham Rd. The board agrees to host a meeting with Minneapolis EMS and Fire Chief Fruetel as an invited guest. This meeting is tentatively planned for June 26th with CIDNA at the Kenwood Recreation Center, time to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned by Jeremy Nichols at 8:43 PM.

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July 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met July 8, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.

Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Vice-Chair Jeremy Nichols, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Aria Christenson, Marc Brown, Evelyn Turner, and Jack Levi; Absent: Angie Erdrich, Will Stensrud, and Kyle Leier. Also present: Larry Moran, Amanda Vallone, Marc Hotley, and Max Singer

The agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City of Minneapolis Update – Shawn Smith

- Hazardous Waste Collection dates are set for July 26-27 at Jenny Lind Elementary School and August 9-10 at Southwest High School from 9AM – 4PM; please visit www.hennepin.us/collectionsevents for further information on materials accepted
 - There will be no Lunch with Lisa in July and August; the September lunch will be a panel of speakers from different boards and commissions
 - Metro Transit and SWLRT have a hotline to call for updates: 612-373-3933 or you may sign-up for email updates at www.SWLRT.org
- SW Neighborhood Parks Master Plan – Larry Moran, CAC Representative
- The revised plans for Kenwood Parkway and Kenwood Park can be viewed here:

https://www.minneapolisparcs.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/190529_RefinedMasterPlans_North.pdf

- Several changes were made to the Kenwood Park plan to include additional multi-purpose fields, walking paths, interpretative nature trail, sand volleyball, and multi-use

bike/pedestrian trails

- KNO will send out a survey to the Kenwood Neighborhood to seek feedback on the park plan; Larry Moran will compile and use this information to provide neighborhood feedback to the park board
- The bike lanes proposed for Kenwood Parkway were removed and added to Kenwood Park, running north from Franklin up Logan, west on Douglas, and north on Morgan to Kenwood Parkway for 500 feet to then connect to the existing bike trail on the north side of Kenwood Parkway to Parade
 - o Noted concern is the removal of mature trees or damage to root systems to construct the bike paths
 - o Safety concerns were also discussed regarding adding bike/pedestrian lanes to this area of Kenwood Parkway which is already narrow, with a steep hill and a curve

SWLRT Construction Update and Discussion – Shawn Smith

- Construction updates can be viewed at www.SWLRT.org
- The Kenilworth Trail is closed at the intersection with the Midtown Greenway and extends northeast to just south of W 21st St.
- At this time, automobiles, bikes and pedestrians will continue to cross at Cedar Lake Parkway and at W 21st Street.
- Kenilworth Trail access will remain open between W 21st Street and the North Cedar Lake Trail
- Mid-July there will be a partial closure of Burnham Road from Cedar Lake Parkway to Park Lane (approx. 800 ft.); two-way traffic is allowed on Burnham Road Bridge during the detour
- SWLRT Open Houses 4:30 – 7PM: Tuesday, July 23, Bryn Mawr Elementary School Cafeteria, Minneapolis and Thursday, July 25, Hopkins Depot, Railroad Room

Treasurer Update – Matt Spies

- The annual budget for 2019-2020 was presented to the board
- Motions were made to approve the budget, the budget passed by unanimous vote
- The annual budget may be viewed upon request and further information will be presented in the neighborhood newsletter
- A recommendation was made to review the budget in January 2020 and revise the annual budget to align with the calendar year instead of the fiscal year, June to May

VOLUNTEER LEADS

- SWLRT – Evelyn Turner and Amanda Vallone
- East Cedar Lake Beach – Will Stensrud
- Neighborhood Revitalization Program and Community Participation Program – Amanda Vallone and Jeremy Nichols
- Neighborhood 2020 Compliance (Inclusion/Diversity) – Aria Christenson
- Kenwood Schools – Marc Brown
- Landscaping -

The meeting was adjourned by Shawn Smith at 8:37 PM.

Action Between Meetings - All

Kenwood Neighborhood Organization Board Priorities 2017-2020

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September 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met September 9, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.

Vice-Chair Jeremy Nichols called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Directors present: Vice-Chair Jeremy Nichols, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Will Stensrud, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, Jack Levi, Marc Brown, and Kyle Leier. Absent: Chair Shawn Smith and Aria Christenson. Also present: CM Lisa Goodman, Amanda Vallone, Marc Hotley, Jono Cowgill, and Elizabeth Shaffer

It was proposed to add Kenilworth Corridor train horn noise to the agenda. This item was added and the agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City of Minneapolis Update – CM Lisa Goodman

- Judy Sherin is Lisa's new associate; new office hours are 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
- Lunch with Lisa is scheduled for September 25, 12 – 1PM, Terrence Murphy Hall, Rm 252; Ward 7 constituents that serve on Boards and Commissions for the City of Minneapolis will be featured
- 311: no longer open for calls on the weekends, weekday hours are 7AM – 7PM; if needed, can also text (31189) or email after hours
- Fall Street Sweeping will begin on Monday, 10/21, and will take 4 weeks to complete; residents can look up service times and dates online and search by street address
- Please call 311 or report to Lisa's office if you see landscapers or homeowners pushing leaves or grass clippings into the street, this is a violation of city ordinances and will create significant public safety, flooding, and pollution problems.
- Metro Transit and SWLRT have a hotline to call for updates: 612-373-3933 or you may sign-up for email updates at www.SWLRT.org

Park Board Update, Neighborhood Parks, Nice Ride Stations – Comm. Jono Cowgill

- Master planning for the next 20 years is being led by a committee advisory process; there is no funding at this time to initiate any of the master plans
- The park board has been receiving feedback from the community on the draft plans and will want further feedback after the final draft plans have been released
- There are two upcoming community meetings: 9/17 at Whittier Community Center and 10/7 at Martin Luther King Park, both 5:30 – 8:30
- To be environmentally conscious, the park board has an initiative to eliminate all single use plastics at large events held in the parks
- The park board is working with Tree Minneapolis to maintain and enhance the tree canopy in the city
- The budgeting process will be taking place this fall and Mayor Frey has increased the city's level of service commitment to the parks by a 5.7% levy increase
- Development of a master plan for Cedar Lake has been funded but the process has not been initiated
- Nice Rides: Commissioner Cowgill reviewed the collaboration and contracts between the city, University of Minnesota, and the park board; moving forward, stakeholders should be notified prior to stations being located on adjacent/nearby public property

Seven Pools – Elizabeth Shaffer

- Elizabeth, President of the Friends of Thomas Lowry Park, presented information on the organization's history and present efforts to "Save the Seven Pools"
- The seven pools need to be completely reconstructed and the park board does not have the estimated \$750,000 to complete the work; the proposal was to fill the pools with sand
- The organization has pledged \$300,000 towards the reconstruction, the park board followed with a pledge of \$200,000, and private donations collected are at \$170,000; the organization is seeking donations to meet the pools reconstruction funding needs
- The goal is to raise an extra \$100,000 so the brick pathways and other infrastructure

within the park can also be repaired and upgraded to meet current safety standards

- Please go to www.thomaslowrypark.org to donate to “Save the Seven Pools”
- KNO board will discuss a possible donation at the next board meeting

Kenilworth Corridor Train Noise – All

- A concern was brought to the board by area residents that freight trains have been sounding their horns more frequently at all times of day/night
 - Although Kenilworth corridor is a designated “quite zone”, the trains are now required to sound their horns due to the SWLRT construction zone and when construction workers are present
 - SWLRT community outreach coordinator, David Davies, responded to resident’s concerns with the following information:
 - o According to our rail coordinator, the freight rail does not change the volume of their horns. They operate their horns at the volume required by law and by their adopted code of operating rules. You will have to contact the respective freight companies such as TC&W to engage them on the volume of their horns.
 - o Met Council/Metro Transit cannot make the freight trains lower the volume of their horns. Freight train horn volumes are determined by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). I’m looking through rules to see what the minimum volume should be.
 - o Similarly, the FRA dictates the conditions under which train horns are used. In this case, train horns must be blown whenever construction workers are present.
 - Evelyn Turner will research this further to find out if the trains are required to sound the horns at all times (even when workers are not present), or only when workers are present
- Presentation by US Solar – Kaleb Lindsey (Community Solar Garden Proposal/Awareness)
- This agenda item was not addressed during this meeting; Kaleb Lindsey was not present.

Treasurer Update – Matt Spies

- The City will conduct an audit sometime this year of KNO’s financial records
- There are no outstanding bills at this time

Environmental Project with Lowery Hill – Angie Erdrich

- The MN Board of Water and Soil Resources has received state funding to develop a grant program that focuses on planting native vegetation and pollinator friendly forbs and legumes in residential lawns
- The plan is for funds to be distributed to local conservation partners (Metro Bloom) so they can then distribute to individual landowners for implementation in the spring/summer of 2020
- Funding will be targeted in priority areas to benefit the Rusty Patched Bumblebee and other at-risk species
- Angie Erdrich presented this information to the KNO Board to seek if area residents would be interested in supporting this effort and be designated as a critical neighborhood habitat
- Discussion tabled until next board meeting

Jeremy Nichols adjourned the meeting at 8:36.

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November 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

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Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Vice-Chair Jeremy Nichols, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Will Stensrud, Angie Erdrich, Evelyn Turner, Jack Levi, Marc Brown, Kyle Leier, and Aria Christenson. Also present: CM Lisa Goodman, Marc Hotley, Sam Murphy, and Emma Pachuta

One item, City of Minneapolis Audit of our Financial Practices, was added to the agenda. The amended agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City of Minneapolis Update – CM Lisa Goodman

- There is no Lunch with Lisa in December, the next meeting will be held in January 2020 and the discussion topic will be public realm spaces in the 7th ward
- Later with Lisa will be held on December 9th, 4:30 – 6:30 PM, on the top floor of the City Club Apartments building
- All water meters in the City of Minneapolis are being replaced and the initial neighborhoods targeted are Kenwood, Lowry Hills, and East Isles; watch for a flier from the city with details on how to call and schedule your meter replacement
- Fall Street Sweeping is currently in progress; residents can search online by street address to determine service date
- Yard waste collection will end the week of November 18 – 22nd
- The City of Minneapolis is currently in budget negotiations; public input will be allowed at the City Council meetings on December 4th and 11th at 6:05 PM
- Snow emergency information has been mailed to residents
- Metro Transit and SWLRT have a hotline to call for updates: 612-373-3933 or you may sign-up for email updates at www.SWLRT.org
- o Lisa responded to a board member's question regarding permit parking near the 21st Street Station; once SWLRT is running and if parking proves to be an issue, Lisa outlined the process for the neighborhood to request permit parking. This would entail 75% of residents within 8 contiguous blocks to support permit parking and then the City Council would vote on the petition.
- o There was discussion about the continued closure of Burnham Road and future closure of Cedar Lake Road, specifically how this impacts safety

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board 2021 Comprehensive Plan (Parks for All) – Emma Pachuta, Park Board

- The park board has initiated its comprehensive planning process, Parks for All, which will set priorities and policy direction for the next decade of Minneapolis Parks
- The park board has been and will continue to seek community input through many different types of engagement opportunities
- It was brought to the KNO board's attention that while there is an agreement that the Kenwood Corridor should return to parkland following the construction of SWLRT, the park board does not own the land. Therefore, this land is not in the current plan and the park board would have to buy it

Community Engagement Plan, Lake of the Isles/Cedar Lake – Emma Pachuta, Park Board

- The park board is seeking community members to become involved in the planning process by volunteering to be a member of the Community Advisor Committee (CAC)
- Some CAC members will be appointed by the board of commissions and some CAC members will be chosen by a selection committee; approximately 50% of CAC members will be from local communities and 50% from the region

- Neighborhood organizations may also appoint a representative to attend open meetings

to share input and to foster community engagement

- KNO is seeking volunteers to serve as the CAC for both the comprehensive plan and for the Lake of the Isles/Cedar Lake community engagement plan; interested parties should email kiaa55405@gmail.com

City of Minneapolis Audit of our Financial Practices – Shawn Smith and Matt Spies

- Shawn Smith and Matt Spies met with the city auditor to review best practices of accounting and to complete the required neighborhood organization audit
- In response to the audit, all board members reviewed and signed the KNO Conflict of Interest Policy, bylaws were updated, and KNO email accounts will be created for officers and one for invoices to assist in tracking and maintaining a paper trail

Treasurer Update – Matt Spies

- There was no financial activity to report

Bylaws Update – Shawn Smith

- Current KNO bylaws were reviewed and updates were recommended
 - o KNO replaced KIAA
 - o The term “members” was changed to “community members”
 - o 4.13 Informal Action of Directors was removed from the bylaws
 - o The term “simple majority” was added to 4.14a for clarification
 - o Removed references of Kenwood as an "area" and referred to it as a community or neighborhood
 - o Addition of signature area for all officers to sign
- A motion was made to amend the bylaws as proposed, the motion was seconded. The bylaws were amended by unanimous vote
- The bylaws will be filed with the city and posted to the website

Other Business

- Shawn Smith provided a brief report on the SWLRT safety meeting that took place on 11/30/19
- The KNO fall newsletter will be mailed soon
- Shawn Smith will meet with Jean Deatruck to gather information and discuss the Hill and Lakes Press financial situation

Shawn Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

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December 2019 Neighborhood Organization (KNO) Meeting Minutes

KNO Board met December 2, 2019, at the Kenwood Recreation Center.

Chair Shawn Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Directors present: Chair Shawn Smith, Vice-Chair Jeremy Nichols, Secretary Amy Noble, Treasurer Matt Spies, Evelyn Turner, Aria Christenson, Will Stensrud, and Angie Erdrich. Absent: Jack Levi, Marc Brown, and Kyle Leier. Also present: CM Lisa Goodman, Amanda Vallone, and 4 guests

One item, NCR Presentation, was removed from the agenda. The amended agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

City of Minneapolis Update – CM Lisa Goodman

- There is no Lunch with Lisa in December, the next meeting will be held January 29, 2020, with guest presenter Frank Martin, landscape historian. He will be presenting and showing a slide show on the Historic Grand Rounds
- Later with Lisa will be held on December 9th, 4:30 – 6:30 PM, on the top floor of the City Club Apartments building; please bring a donation of dog/cat toys or treats to support the Minneapolis Animal Care Control
- The City of Minneapolis is currently in budget negotiations; public input will be allowed at the City Council meetings on December 4th and 11th at 6:05 PM; final adoption of the budget will take place on 12/11
- Hennepin County is no longer accepting single use alkaline batteries in recycling, please place in garbage. Lithium and rechargeable batteries should not be placed in garbage and can be dropped off at recycling centers
- In January 2020, the city will require retailers to charge 5 cents per plastic bag; the fees collected will be retained by the businesses

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Update – Jono Cowgill, Park Board

- The park board's annual budget hearing is 12/4/19; priorities include replanting the city's tree canopy, expanding the Teen Teamworks program, and updating Ideation Centers
- The park board will be recommending a ban on single use plastics at events held within the park system
- The first Community Advisor Committee (CAC) meeting for the general comprehensive plan will be in January 2020

Lake of the Isles/Cedar Lake CAC Discussion, KNO Representative – Shawn Smith

- Will Stensrud will apply to serve as a CAC for the Lake of the Isles/Cedar Lake community engagement plan
- KNO is seeking a volunteer to be a representative on the CAC selection committee; Marc Brown or Matt Spies may be interested in volunteering for this position
- Any community members interested in serving as a CAC for either the comprehensive plan or Lake of the Isles/Cedar Lake community engagement plan should email kiaa55405@gmail.com

Treasurer Update – Matt Spies

- There is no update from the city on the recent KNO audit
- KNO received \$75.00 in donations
- There will be a PayPal link on the KNO website for future donations

Other Business

- The Lake of the Isles ice skating party will be hosted on 1/26/20
- The KNO newsletter will be mailed out the week of 12/2/19

- Shawn Smith met with Jean Deatrick of Hill and Lakes Press to discuss the paper's financial situation; KNO is seeking more information on monetary needs and long-term plans for the publication

Shawn Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.

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