

Meeting Minutes 1/27/2020

Attendees

Board members and staff present marked with "X"

Ben Osborn – Vice Chair	X	Carrie Henning - Smith	X
Jake Schwitzer- Chair	X	Jake Reber	X
Courtney Laufenberg (Staff)		Katie Krisch	X
Bob Jorgenson	X	Brittany Resch	
Cory Schaffhausen	X	Emily Zelkowitz	
J.D. Burton	X		

Meeting called to order: 7:00PM. December meeting minutes approved by the board.

Agenda Item 1: Ryan Pulkrabek from Mayflower Church

Ryan presented some preliminary visioning plans that Mayflower Church is under going for future uses of their property at 106 East Diamond Lake Road. They are engaging surrounding neighborhoods to let them know the that there could be changes at their property and will keep interested parties updated as plans are developed.

Agenda Item 2: 2020 Councilmen Schroeder update

The councilman discussed recent initiatives passed by city council to combat climate change and the restoration of \$60,000 for senior services that will help Nokomis Heathy Seniors.

Agenda Item 3: Quarter One Assignments

The first quarter events and activities were discussed. The newsletter articles were requested to be sent to Courtney by the end of the week and final editing will be done after that. The March crime meeting is set for March 18th with Jake lead in planning. MPD and Councilman Schroeder will be in attendance. Question was raised about announcing Grant Program at that event? Earth Day is being led by Ben and Carrie; a free environmental expo is being planned at Pearl Park in addition to the normal clean up efforts for April 18th. MetroBlooms and Nokomis Farmers Market will have a table, other organizations are being contacted. The business areas in HPDL were also split up so teams of two members can go out and talk with local businesses to learn how we can best support them: 52nd and Bloomington: Katie and Ben; Chicago (52nd – 54th): Jake S. and Carrie; Chicago and 56th: Jake R; Portland and 60th: Emily and Bob; 5-8 Club and Fat Lorenzo's: Ben revised the letter that can be used to communicate with the businesses and a spreadsheet was sent out to collect updated contact information. The hope was to contact all business nodes by February meeting.

Agenda Item 4: City staff report-- Ethrophic Burnett

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Ms. Burnett attended on behalf of the Neighborhood and Community Relations staff at the City. She talked about finances, plan updates, census promotions, and grant opportunities.

Financial Review

The year to date financial report was reviewed.

Committee Updates

- **Picnic in the Park:** none
- **Environmental:** none
- **Frost Fest:** none.
- **Triangle Park:** none
- **Garage Sale:** none
- **Business Association:** none
- **Communications:** Newsletter team discussed in Q1
- **Brew and Stew:** Planning to begin soon on the 2020 event.
- **Housing:** none

New Business

Jake S will be sending out the annual report for review.

Jake is also working on promoting census and election turnout ideas.

Neighborhoods 2020 was discussed with possibility of reduced funding and changing focus of the program.

Meeting adjourned: 8:10 pm
