



Payne-Phalen

DISTRICT FIVE PLANNING COUNCIL

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Payne Phalen District Five Board of Directors Meeting Draft Minutes

Tuesday, July 26, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

Arlington Hills Community Center, 1200 Payne Avenue, St. Paul (Payne and Maryland Avenues)

Board Directors Present:

Roger Allmendinger	P	Danette Allrich-Osano	P	Valentine Awasom	P
Rich Bold	A	Spencer Cardinal	A	Annie Davidson	E
Mark Dawkins	A	Charles Dexter	A	Richard Finch Jr.	A
Eric Foster, President	E	Britt Graupner	P	Nick Hayen	E
Athena Hollins	P	Felipe Illescas	A	Dan Rodriguez	P
Eric Saathoff	P	Keith Schmalzbauer	P	Maychy Vu	E
Marny Xiong	P	Ploua Yang	E	Bill Zajicek	P

P= Present, L= Late, A= Absent, E = Excused Absence,

Community Participants & Guests: Joann Ellis (County Commissioner McDonough’s office), Catherine Saunders, Tong Thao

Staff: Lissa Jones-Lofgren (Interim Executive Director)

Call to Order 6:35, Welcome visitors, and Introductions

Moved that we send a Letter of support for the Lower Payne Project...

No quorum; could not act on this motion...

We moved to reports and announcements in hope that we could gain a quorum with late-comers.

Executive Director Report: on job 2 weeks, no formal report; will focus on effective community communication/participation; wants us to feel good about roles on the board; arranging interviews of board members to learn about interest, what works/does not work...

Been busy meeting people and seeing where we fit in.

Has certification (IAP2?) in community participation (We may become a model for city...)

Met with Joe Mendyka: City Community Engagement Coordinator.

Introduced self to board in response to ask.

Eric Saathoff on Transportation Committee work and recent projects: Payne Ave bike lanes are on consent agenda for city council tomorrow. Likely to pass.

Bill Zajicek on Finance Committee: Committee (he and Annie) met last Friday; changes coming in organization will affect our financial reporting.

Discussed the need for an audit; use of a line of credit.

Asked themselves, “Are we working as we should be as a committee?”

Fundraising and unrestricted dollars; most successful has been dinner at W6 and Tongue in Cheek.

Suggested that as these unrestricted accumulate we will have less need for line of credit.

Cash flow projections: are these available? How, and to whom, does/should Tim report?

Can accumulating unrestricted funds hurt us? Agreed that there should be no downside.

Discussion about our capacity as a board and an organization, how can we focus our work on what we can influence? Lissa will be conducting with D5 board members to get their perspectives on capacity, organization goals and board resources.

Lissa recommended that we review our board attendance policy to affirm that it is still relevant and reflects the spirit of the board's philosophy on attendance.

Due to a lack of quorum, Lissa will send an email to the board requesting the needed votes.
Needs action/requires quorum; have to table

- police brutality statement
- 990 and Attorney General report

Announcements

Phalen Splash Pad update – construction to begin Monday August 1, 2016, to be ready for operation for the 2017 season.

National Night Out: August 2 - board expected to make an effort to attend events; we will try to get a list out.

Environmental Committee: Kathy Korum at next meeting to discuss what's new at the Parks.

Eric S.: promoting slow rolls...

Community engagement: city requirements need to be reviewed, and then ED will respond

Agreed to adjourn: 7:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Board member Roger Allmendinger