



Payne-Phalen COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Board of Directors Meeting Draft Minutes

Tuesday, May 28th, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

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

Board Directors Present:

Ikram Ali	P	Crystal Norcross	A	Athena Hollins	P
Stuart Knappmiller	E	Britt Kringle	P	John Thompson	P
Patricia Enstad	P	Wintana Melekin	A	Krishna Natarajan	P
Rebecca Nelson	P	Lynette Harris	P	Eric Saathoff	P
Chris Schweitzer	P	Seanne Thomas	E		
Janey Atchison	P	Bill Zajicek	P		

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

Community Participants & Guests: Jim Erchul (Dayton’s Bluff Neighborhood Housing Services), Russ Stark (Mayor’s Office), Hnuchee Vang (Sen. Fong Hawj’s office), Don Lorr, Greg Copeland, Kevin Brauer, Roger Allmendinger, Katherine Schilling, Regina Rippel, MariEtta Wood (St. Paul Parks & Rec), Marjorie Otto, Alexander Bourne

Staff: Executive Director Jack Byers, Administrative Assistant Robin Horkey

Welcome, Introductions, Review of the Agenda

For Presentation and Discussion

City of St Paul Climate Action & Resilience Draft Plan – Presentation by Russ Stark, Chief Resilience Officer

2015 Mayor’s Climate contract a commitment from cities around the country.

Climate change could also be referred to as Climate crisis. Greenhouse gases are creating warmer climates resulting in drastic disasters including fires and flooding. This also costs the City of St Paul money.

St Paul is getting warmer, 6° more in average winter temp. St Paul is getting wetter, average annual precipitation increase 7 inches (30% increase).

Vulnerabilities: People, especially lower income with no heat or no A/C, people with disabilities, isolated, seniors. Places, with no tree cover, areas that can flood easily.

Reduction of emissions: reduce by 50% by 2030 (drastic). If we don’t, we won’t be able to keep climate change to a “normal” level. 42% come from Commercial & Industrial buildings/20% Residential bldgs./30% travel.

Energy from bldg. use (Residential & Industrial & Commercial) and Transportation make up 90% of where our emissions come from, so what do we do? Use less energy:

Energy priorities: Sustainable bldg. policy (making bldg. development seeking funding, become more efficient), Renewable energy (wind, solar);

Transportation goals: reduce single occupant car trips, increase transit ridership, increase walking & biking, electric cars. Create Electric Vehicle Community Mobility Hubs, Car Share.

What can you do? Climate Resilience Prep Emergency Disaster kit, stay informed, know who your vulnerable neighbors are, cool down from extreme heat, switch to LED light bulbs.

Contact Russ Stark Chief Resilience Officer russ.stark@ci.stpaul.mn.us, 651-266-8511. You can google Climate action plan too.

Land Use and Zoning

Village on Rivoli Bluff, Plat for 660 Rivoli, Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Housing Services (DBNHS) – Presentation by Jim Erchul

Initially contaminated by the railroads and the City itself. Old stuff was dug out and new clean fill was brought in for a total cost of \$3 million. Urban Roots has community garden there, with access to the garden via "pedestrian route." Privately owned public space (bike trail). Price range for houses 1-7 under \$200,000. 1500 square feet.

Athena motions to support the development with caveat to the city to address the upkeep of privately owned public space. Eric seconds. Don Lorr would like to take into consideration other developments (in bullet point of memo) amended by Athena and seconded by Eric. Motion passes.

Board Deliberation and Votes:

No minutes to approve yet, they didn't get submitted in time.

Election of Officers and Naming of Executive Committee

- Overview of what it means to be an officer and a member of the Executive Committee
- Election for 2019-2020 Executive Committee and Officers

Election: Athena is nominated by Britt for President. Chris motions to accept Athena as President, Britt seconds and Board accepts. Athena remains President.

Britt nominates Eric for VP, Eric will decline. John nominates himself. John voted in as Vice President.

Eric nominates Bill as Treasurer, Bill declines. Athena nominates Janey. Lynette nominates Rebecca, Rebecca declines. Britt nominates Patricia, Patricia declines, Britt nominates Ikram, Ikram declines. Janey voted in as Treasurer.

Britt nominates Rebecca. Rebecca voted in as Secretary.

At-Large Executive committee members (three are needed) Stuart self nominates. Britt nominates Ikram, Ikram declines. Lynette self nominates, Chris self nominates. Seanne self nominates. Bill nominates Britt, Britt declines.

Ballot vote taken, Chris, Lynette and Seanne voted in!

Ad hoc Trash Committee

Update to Full Board

Rebecca & Bill met with Scott Renstrom & Chris Swanson, and Chris would like to present his power point about the trash collection program. People can write in and ask questions that we will pose and get answered. Time, date and venue to be determined. Goal is to give people an idea of how complicated this is and serve as an explanation. Would like to be in the beginning of June if possible.

Debrief of Annual Meeting in April

Tabled until next month.

Adjourn

Athena motioned to adjourn, Lynette second. Motion passes

Minutes submitted by

Rebecca Nelson, Board Secretary