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## **Minutes of the Community Meeting**

Tuesday, June 23, 2020 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom Conferencing

## Context:

Many organizations are confronting how to manage the need to host virtual board meetings and elections when current bylaws do not allow for this activity. It has been recommended that District Councils in St. Paul use the language that the City Council is using to justify the need for virtual council meetings. That language is as follows:

"In-person meetings, or meetings conducted under Minn. Stat. § 13D.02 of the City Council, are not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 health pandemic emergency declared under Minn. Stat. Chapter 12 by the Minnesota Governor Tim Walz and Saint Paul Mayor Melvin Carter. In light of the COVID-19 health pandemic, members of the City Council will participate in City Council meetings by telephone or other electronic means." In the April meeting, the PPCC Board adopted this language and a series of other measures to manage the organization through this challenging time.

Welcome: Introductions and Review of the Agenda

**Board Members:** Athena Hollins, Rebecca Nelson, Stuart Knappmiller, Patricia Enstad, Seanne Thomas, Lynette Harris, Bill Zajicek, Britt Kringle, Janey Atchison, Crystal Norcross

Staff: Jack Byers, Executive Director, Robin Horkey, Admin. & Outreach Assistant

**Community Participants & Guests:** Marci Exsted, Diamone Allen, Christine Hinrichs, Jake Jurss, Mike Hirabayashi

- 1. Approval of Minutes from recent meeting: (Rebecca Nelson, Secretary): Patricia motions to approve the minutes, Janey seconds. Motion passes.
- PPCC Financial Report and Status (Janey Atchison, Treasurer): We are in a pretty good place, need to figure out how to meet requirements of the two large grants we received.
  Bill asks the same question about the retained earnings, has been removed as bookkeeping error.

- 3. Update: East Side Food Drives (Lynette Harris and Rebecca Nelson): This Sunday is the last food drive, looking for volunteers. 1000 people last week on Father's Day, the week previous we served 1500. Sheridan Story, Target, Operation Baby, Salvation Army, Mercy Vineyard Church, Cub, Golden Harvest have donated huge amounts of products & food & gift cards. Food insecurity is a HUGE issue in our area. Huge thanks to all the volunteers that have given their time for this project.
- 4. Update: St. Paul MN350 (Patricia Enstad): St Paul 350 has been working on an initiative with the District Councils regarding Xcel's IRP that is coming due and would like to start a dialogue. Bill motions to establish a relationship with St Paul MN350 and provide a letter from the District 5 Community Council to the City of St Paul as the letter example provided states. Britt seconds Motion passes.

## **Community Listening Session:**

Hearing from our communities on their issues, needs, and aspirations:

Wrap-up, announcements, and other business:

## **ADJOURN**

Next meeting: July 28, 2020, 6:30 PM