

EINA Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 6:00 PM
Grace-Trinity Community Church
1430 W 28th Street
MINUTES

Board members present: Julia Edelman, Quinton Courts (Secretary), Larry Lamb, Sandy Nelson, Shanti Mitra (Vice President), Mike Erlandson (President), Mark Greene, Brian Milavitz (Treasurer), Deb Altschuler

Board members absent: Richard Stadtherr, Cuyler Dinegan (Coordinator)

Guests present: Lisa Goodman (City Councilmember), Claire Wilson (Executive Director, Luminary Loppet)

1. Call to order at 6:03PM.
2. City Council Update with Lisa Goodman
 - a. Lunch with Lisa on February 1 from Noon-1PM (special guest is Brian O'Hara)
 - b. Next Lunch with Lisa February 22 (topic TBD)
 - c. City budget was approved.
 - d. Talks of possible one sided parking on streets because of snow emergencies.
 - e. Call 311 for any streets that need to be plowed.
 - f. Crime stats are improving, specifically carjackings.
3. Palio
 - a. Setting up for the event has been a good way to connect with participating neighborhoods.
 - b. Gathering at Triangle Park at 1:30PM.
 - c. We need EINA volunteers.
4. Open board position:
 - a. Henry LaBounta was the only application received for the vacant board position.
 - b. Motion for Henry LaBounta to be voted in for the vacant board position.
Approved unanimously.
5. Consent Agenda:
 - a. December minutes approved unanimously.
6. General Updates:
 - a. We bought \$1,000 worth of advertisement in Southwest Voices before EOY 2022. Also purchased a device used for remote casting of board meetings.
 - b. Brian (Treasurer)
 - i. We should see actuals for last year's Farmers Market by February 2023.
 - ii. Farmers Market
 1. Ballpark expenses in 2022 were \$20,000.
 2. Motion to defer EINA financial support for the 2023 East Isles Farmers Market and allow time for the EINA Board to conduct a

thorough analysis of options for the market and EINA's future role, if any. 9 voted for the motion. Mike Erlandson abstained.

- a. The financial statement of the 2022 market is yet to be received and should be presented at the February meeting.

7. Luminary Loppet Update with Claire Wilson

- a. Currently so much snow on the lake that it's covering the slush which has put the Loppet in an interesting predicament.
 - i. Race is unlikely to happen because it probably won't freeze in time. More likely that the race will happen at Theo Wirth Park.
 - ii. Proposal to groom the walking path for skiing.
 - iii. Talks about either postponing the Luminary Loppet portion or even canceling, given the situation about the ice not freezing on the lake.
 1. EINA will include the event and its purpose in our next newsletter.
 - iv. Larry suggested they name the snowmobile after us for a year in honor of the donation from EINA.

8. Committee Updates

a. BET

- i. Waiting for final MPRB update of Master Plan
 1. Review of feedback on the lake redesign plan
 2. How do we support merchants on Hennepin Ave
 3. Electric vehicle charging stations
 4. Henry's plan for litter on LOTI

b. NRP

- i. \$70,000 left in NRP funds.
- ii. Waiting for MPD to decide location of funded cameras (from 2022)
- iii. \$20,000 of new city funds for 2023 has arrived. It's entirely allocated to staffing (in addition to transitional NRP funds) for this current year.

c. Public Safety

- i. Had two walks per month since October. We stop by businesses on Hennepin Ave. Lots of tough anecdotal stories from business owners but they appreciate the walks and walkers.
- ii. Guests of businesses (Holiday, Walgreens, Kowalskis) were very thankful for the group of walkers.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.