

EINA Board of Directors Annual Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2023, 6:00 PM
Grace-Trinity Community Church and via Zoom
1430 W 28th Street
MINUTES

Board members present: Julia Edelman, Quinton Courts (Secretary), , Mike Erlandson (President), Brian Milavitz (Treasurer), Dan Sutton, Henry LaBounta, Mark Greene, Jonathan Beck

Board members absent: Ellen Van Iwaarden, Shanti Mittra (Vice President), Cuyler Dinegan (Coordinator), Debra Altschuler

Guests present: None

1. Call to order at 6:04 PM.
2. Consent agenda.
 - a. May 2023 meeting minutes approved unanimously.
 - b. Treasurer's report with Brian
 - i. Bank balance \$57,000 (cash reserves)
 - ii. \$3,800 for contributions of budget \$4,500
 - iii. Requesting reimbursement from city
 - iv. A vendor from farmers market (for food stamps) requested payment — will get that cleared up
 - v. Motion to approve May financials. Approved unanimously.
3. President's Update
 - a. Thank you to Summer Social leads. Over 100 people showed up. Vendors were a nice addition. Folks were happy and nostalgic to see Tin Fish.
 - b. Moving towards closure (hopefully by end of summer) with installation of additional cameras funded by EINA.
 - c. New neighborhood signs on Hennepin Avenue won't be added until after redesign/construction.
 - d. From Shanti Mittra:
 - i. We are coming up on the one year anniversary of our Safety Walking Club in October. Let's start thinking about a celebratory event, tentatively Wednesday, October 25th at 5:30 PM. Invited guests are reps from MPD, City of Minneapolis, Aileen Johnson, et al.
 - ii. EINA will cover funds for coffee/donuts, etc.
4. Committee and Working Group Updates
 - a. Green Team with Henry LaBounta
 - i. Picked up 130 gallons of trash in June.
 - ii. Next lake cleanup is on July 8.
 - iii. We received a grant for \$5,000 for MWMO in conjunction with LHENA (The Wedge).

1. Motion to grant authority to the Green Team under Henry's leadership to process the MWMO grant. Approved unanimously.
 2. We'd like our drains adopted to at least 25% of neighborhood storm drains. We currently have 13% adopted.
 3. We can pay folks who work events (I.e. salt replacement programs for treating ice) out of these funds.
 4. Would like to involve neighbors in activities that fall under grant funding.
- iv. Henry met with Margaret Anderson Kelliher about storm water and the city services.
 1. Community Connections Conference allows us to meet with other neighborhoods to work on like minded projects.
 - v. Henry spoke to MPRB about the water quality amendment and improving stormwater output.
 - vi. Henry would like to apply for a \$50,000 opportunity grant for alum treatment for phosphorous control. The cost is a little over \$50,000. Henry is going to work with Mark and reach out to MPRB to see how that grant, if awarded, could be used to improve water quality in Lake of the Isles.
 - vii. Developers pay a tax called a Park Dedication fee. EINA was awarded Park Dedication funds that could be used in conjunction with this grant to improve water quality.
 - a. EINA supports researching this opportunity and working with MPRB to properly allocate this grant.
- b. BET with Mark Greene
 - i. MPRB will approve the Cedar Isles Plan next week.
 1. Current debate about a permanent warming house, two-way bike paths, and no outhouse in the northwest corner of Lake of the Isles.
 - ii. Hennepin Avenue redesign updates:
 1. Staff is finalizing how many trees are going to be removed. Also, they will finalize the bus lanes plan.
 - c. Farmers Market with Dan Sutton and Jonathan Beck
 - i. We have had two meetings to better inform ourselves with where we left off with the Farmers Market.
 1. One meeting was with Julia
 2. The other was with Jenny Breen, Cuyler, and one representative from LHENA (The Wedge), EBMSNA, and South Uptown neighborhood.
 - a. Jenny had mentioned Neighborhood Roots as a management company. They also manage the Kingfield farmers market.
 - i. Next step is to talk to neighboring associations
5. Other business:

- a. Possibly introduce a meet your neighbor component to the newsletter where we profile a neighbor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Addendum

On July 10, The Board approved, without objection, the State of Minnesota Charitable Organization Annual Report via email.