

**Minutes of September 13, 2017
FNA Meeting**

Board Members Present: Katharine Brown, John Finlayson, Blaire Hartley, Steve Haslach, Mary Jordan, Jane Kohnen, Andrew Michaelson, Kimberly Rubel, Jim Tincher and Steve Young

Guests: Ruth Olson, Dave Delvoye, Diane Moe, CM Linea Palmisano, Emily and Eric Chapman

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. There were no revisions or additions to the agenda. Introductions were held.

Minutes: Minutes from July 12, 2017 FNA meeting were reviewed. John moved to approve the Minutes; Jim seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Minutes from August 9, 2017 were reviewed. Steve H. moved to approve the Minutes; Andrew seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. There will be a lot of festival activity in next month's report.

Ward 13 Report – Council Member Linea Palmisano:

- Palmisano Presents: A Conversation with Mike Freeman took place on Sept. 10. This was a follow-up meeting to the Community Listening Session earlier in the summer; about 50 people were present. The meeting focused on the process and decision making steps the county attorney's office will use in the Justine Damond case.
- Palmisano Presents: Zero Waste Policy Review will be held on Sept. 18 at City Church. The event will compile feedback about the proposed Zero Waste Policy. The goal is to recycle or compost 50% of city-wide waste by 2020 and 80% by 2030.
- The new Minneapolis Police Chief, Medaria Arradondo, was sworn in on 9/8. CM Palmisano is considering different ways to introduce him to Ward 13, but will also consider a Fulton specific meeting to address recent activity.
- The mayor's 2018 budget was proposed on 9/12 and calls for a 5.5% levy increase. The top three priorities are environment, housing and policing.
- There is a great deal of utility work going on right now between Century Link, USI and Centerpoint Energy. The Ward 13 office is working to address some issues and better communication.

Festival Recap: The festival was held on Sept. 9- beautiful weather and great neighborhood turnout.

- Lots of people eating and playing- we ran out of some food earlier than normal.
- Discussion about the Marketplace and if it is successful; many vendors don't come back after one year.
- Good feedback on the bands and the expanded role of SW High School.
- Next year better highlight the start time of the bike parade.
- Silent Auction: less people and less bids; total bids were approximately \$3500.

Pershing Park Report: Park Director Diane Moe reported:

- Working on winter and spring programs
- Lots of sports going on

- There is a Pre-school Halloween Party 10-Noon on 10/31.
- Diane has requested rehab of the picnic tables.

Financial Policy: The city is now requiring written financial policies and procedures from each neighborhood association. An updated policy for Fulton has been drafted and approved by the Finance Committee. There are two small typos. Blaire moved to adopt the policy with corrections to the typos; John seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Survey/Networking Event: The sub-group continues to gather survey feedback and various summer events in the neighborhood. There will be a networking event at Vinaigrette on Monday, Oct. 9 to continue the conversation. Initial responses are focused on traffic calming, police and more events. A full survey will be drafted and mailed (or delivered with the newsletter) to every household.

Coordinator's Update: Ruth Olson reported:

- The new website has launched.
- Open Streets 50th is on Sun., Sept. 24, 1-5 p.m. Ruth has arranged activities and will try to get further survey feedback. At least one additional volunteer is needed to help with the activities. Jane can do the second half. Ruth will e-mail the Board about the first half.
- Annual Meeting on 10/11: Ruth will ask Sen. Scott Dibble, Rep. Frank Hornstein, CM Palmisano, Comm. Marion Greene and Inspt. Kathy Waite to attend.
- Friends of Fulton awards: one nomination received thus far; Ruth will re-advertise on social media and send a targeted message to Block Contacts.

Committee Reports:

- Safety: The city attorney for the 5th Precinct has reached out to see if Fulton is interested in expanding the existing Court Watch Program (Whittier, Stevens Square and Lyndale) which tracks offenders or crimes of significance. Dave questions if this is really necessary in Fulton as very few crimes are actually prosecuted here, but he will represent us and see if this is anything for us to pursue. 5133 Zenith may have activity going on again; Ruth and Andrew will both follow-up with City of Lakes Community Land Trust.
- Streetscape: TCF Bank will be taking over the old Dairy Queen location.
- Arts: We are looking for new banner photos for the website. Ruth and Blaire will work on creating a contest for photo submissions.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Ruth Olson, Neighborhood Coordinator

Approved by FNA Board: _____

Signed: _____

Blaire Hartley, Secretary