

**Minutes of July 11, 2018**  
**FNA Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** Brian Arnold, Craig Brown, Katharine Brown, John Finlayson, Blaire Hartley, Mary Jordan, Ray Klahr and Jane Kohnen

**Guests:** Diane Moe, Dave Delvoye, Nance Kent, Christian and Kim Lindgren and Ruth Olson

**Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.** There were no revisions or additions to the agenda.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the June 14, 2018 FNA meeting were reviewed. John moved to approve the Minutes; Blaire seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ruth reviewed the monthly Treasurer's Report. Jim Tincher has resigned from the FNA Board and as FNA Treasurer as he is moving out of the neighborhood. Blaire moved to appoint Brian Arnold as the new FNA Treasurer; Mary seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**New Board Member:** Mary moved to appoint Craig Brown to the FNA Board; Ray seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**Pershing Park Update:** Diane Moe reported:

- The 15U Pershing baseball team took 2nd place in the league tournament.
- Fall Sports registration started on 7/11.
- The preschool movement class and Rec + have been going well this summer.
- A few maintenance improvements are expected yet this summer.

**Palmisano Presents:** CM Palmisano is hosting a community meeting with the new principal of Southwest High School, Dr. Michael Favor on July 17, 7 p.m., at SWHS Commons. The goal is to let neighbors express their concerns about the ongoing effects of the students on the neighborhoods and to begin building better community relationships.

**Coordinator's Update:** Ruth Olson reported:

- The Ice Cream Social on 7/10 was a great success. We served about 600 ice cream cones. The MPRB Southwest Master Plan received a lot of good feedback.
- Ray has been working on setting up Block Party Kits. John moved to approve \$300 for the purchase of supplies; Katharine seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Ray will put together 2 or 3 kits with different themes.

**Draft 2040 Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan:** There has been a great deal of discussion at meetings and on social media. Further discussion/opinions included:

- The Plan should better advocate for home ownership/wealth building; rentals won't do that. But also reflect that some people do not want to own and prefer to rent.
- Some people want a single-family neighborhood and others don't. We need to have both options.
- The Plan proposed additional density, but not affordable housing. It should build equity and access and decrease disparities- it does not do that in its current form.
- A multi-pronged approach is needed to address the stated goals in the plan.
- Concern: the lack of requirements for off-street parking will allow for larger structures with no garage. This will decrease green space and increase street parking and pressure.

- There are lots of under-utilized parcels in the city that could be spot zoned for density.
- The plan calls for “blanket” zoning across the city rather than considering specific needs in individual neighborhoods. The current plan will create additional density in Fulton neighborhood for the wealthy.
- Creating density without first back-filling infrastructure, transit, schools, green space, jobs, etc. is going about the whole issue backwards.
- The plan is ill-defined and has an inherent lack of planning.

The flyer from Minneapolis for Everyone and the letter from SE Como Neighborhood Association were reviewed. Jane presented a draft response for FNA. She will add the themes discussed and circulate another draft for review and an electronic vote. Once the response is final and approved, it will be submitted to planning staff, CPED, all Council Members and Mayor Frey. It will be put on the FNA website and noted in the next e-newsletter.

**Committee Reports:**

Safety: Dave noted that there has been a change in data reporting and that he has limited access to police reports. The information he is able to get is not detailed.

Community Engagement: Festival planning has begun. New attractions will be Bingo, a balloon artist and possibly a beer tent. Wristbands will be sold for \$10.

Zoning: Will be meeting with CM Palmisano regarding the second draft of the 2040 Plan.

**New Business:**

Andrew Michaelson has resigned from the Board and needs to be replaced. Notice will be placed on social media, etc.

Christian and Kim Lindgren voiced their concernx about an illegal business operating on their block. They ask for support from FNA and that information be placed in the newsletter about prohibited businesses. The Board feels that this is an enforcement issue and there would be no value to FNA using its communication tools. Dave suggested that involving the Block Leader would be the most effective way to communicate. 311 will be notified.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Ruth Olson, Neighborhood Coordinator

Approved by FNA Board: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Blaire Hartley, Secretary