

## **Notes from the Fulton Finance committee meeting of February 6, 2019**

### **Present**

Jane Kohnen, John Finlayson, Ruth Olson, Dave Delvoye

### **Calendar**

Ruth is starting work on the next issue of Fulton Neighborhood News, which will go out in early March. There is a new volunteer writer for the newsletter who will periodically profile neighborhood business owners, starting with Molly Broder.

Minneapolis Park Board staff will present draft plans for Pershing Park improvements at the 2/13 FNA Board meeting.

Council Member Palmisano will host a Ward 13 neighborhoods summit on 2/27. The Neighborhoods 2020 plan will likely be a topic of discussion.

Jane attended a meeting of the Minnehaha Creek CAC and noted that no improvements were mentioned for the section of the creek in Fulton from Zenith to Penn. Ruth will ask that that information be included in the next meeting.

### **Community Engagement**

Red Wagon Pizza will offer pizza and beer for sale at the Fulton Fall Festival.

### **Safety**

The 1/29 Safety meeting was cancelled because the meeting venue closed early due to the extremely cold weather.

### **Neighborhoods 2020 plan**

Ruth reported on the meeting regarding the draft recommendations for the Neighborhoods 2020 plan which took place during the Community Connections Conference on 2/2. Controversial topics included term limits for neighborhood board members, mandatory representation for diverse groups on neighborhood boards, sharing of administrative expenses among neighborhoods, and a minimum annual funding amount for neighborhood organizations. The FNA Board will discuss the plan recommendations.

### **Annual CPP report**

Ruth presented her draft of FNA's annual report to the Community Participation Program. The committee discussed the document and recommended that the Board approve it.

### **FNA proposed 2019 operating budget**

Ruth presented her draft of FNA's 2019 operating budget. FNA's treasurer was not available to work on the draft, so Steve Young agreed to review it. Ruth went through the budget line by line and the committee discussed how to fund certain projects which will need an increase in order to continue this year. The committee recommended that the Board reallocate the following funds:

- Use \$550 from Plant Sale funds for the Pollinator Protection Project (Friends of Fulton budget category)
- Move \$1,000 from Senior Education to Small Grants. (CPP budget category)
- Move \$1,000 from Senior Education to Biking and Ped Events (CPP budget category)
- Move \$2,250 from Housing program income to Informational Kiosk maintenance (\$750 to close out the project) and Youth programs (\$1,500) (NRP budget category)
- These reallocations will require the Board to vote on an NRP Plan modification in March.

### **Other business**

Ruth has submitted FNA's annual report to the State Attorney General and filed FNA's Form 990 with the IRS.

Decisions on which grant applications to fund this year will be made by the end of February.