

Minutes of June 12, 2024, 7pm
FNA Meeting held in Pershing Park Rec Center and google meet

Board Members Present: Michelle Doerrler, Jane Kohnen, Kristen Ingle, Jim Donnelly, Blaine Miller-McFeeley, Jill Lock, Nikki Niermann, Steve Young (in person) Caro Li (online)

Guests: Sasha Jensen (staff) Tia Lindner and CM Palmisano (Ward 13 City Council office), Ryan Fucci, Sophie Su, Ernie Lewis (residents) Nathen Kemmer, Maya Sheikh, Ole Measingor, Lisa Goddard, Kelly Moricedy, Dan Egerton (city of Minneapolis Public Works) John Dillery, Babs Graff (FNA Environmental Committee) Cathy Abene (Minneapolis Park Board)-in person. Jess Mueller, Joe M, Omar, and Rebecca (residents)-on line

Meeting called to order at 7:03p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Jane presented the Treasurer's report.

Minutes from the May 2024 meeting: Jane moved to approve the May minutes. Steve seconded and it was approved unanimously.

City of Minneapolis Fulton Flood Plain/West Neighborhood Improvement Project: Project Contractor Dan Egerton presented the project, goals, constraints, as well as the process and storm water requirements for this upcoming project. There will be community outreach this summer and fall and the timeline has this going to the City Council with recommendations about a year from now. This project only includes West Fulton, from France to Xeres. Questions were asked about how this impacts the creek, water run off, and concerns for added assessments to residents. A discussion took place.

Minneapolis Park Board VP and District 6 Commissioner, Cathay Abene: Commissioner Abene spoke to the Flood Plain project as well as watershed work around the city. She also spoke about restoring the city's natural areas and repairing the parkways paving around the city. She mentioned Pershing Park is slated to be redone in 2027-28.

Ward 13 Councilmember , Linea Palmisano: CM Palmisano spoke to the Flood Plain project. She introduced her new aide Tia. She mentioned the new Police Labor Contract will be voted on June 27. She talked about the MTC E line work being done on interactions on France Ave. That work will continue through September. The city is continuing to do manhole lining work on Fulton. The city's National Night Out registration website has been fixed. Handouts were given about the city's new smart 911 communication as well as the airport's runway construction.

Fulton Ice Cream Social: After a discussion the board decided to only have compostable bowls and spoons at the ice cream social this year, no cones. The board decided to have the same flavors as last year. Board members volunteered for shifts and Sasha will email board members not here this evening, to help fill in remaining shifts.

FNA Board Candidate: Sophie Su who has been to several recent board meetings, spoke to the board about her desire to run for an open board seat. Kristen made a motion to add Sophie to the FNA board. Blaine seconded and it was approved unanimously.

Andrea Davila sent an email resigning from the board today.

Follow up on Community Dinner/Candidate Policy: The board discussed that under our new policy, candidates and elected officials are welcome to attend our events but cannot campaign. Jill will share the policy with the candidate that made the request.

Follow up on Plan MOD discussion: Kristen presented her work on our budget and asset matching. Steve gave us a heads up that the 50th and France Special Service District plans to come to FNA with a streetscape improvement plan.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Jane is working on our credit card applications and short year 990.

Racial Equity: They are tabling at the Farmers Market with a book giveaway. Renter engagement door knocking should be wrapping up soon.

Community Engagement: Community Dinners start Wednesday 6/19. They plan to have Juneteenth prize giveaways, flags to color, etc. Most dinners have been sponsored.

SW Neighborhood Collaborative update: The retreat with the consultant was held. Update is in the meeting materials on the share drive.

Communications: 2Q Newsletter was sent to the post office today.

StreetScape/Traffic/Transportation/Business: Ewing lot is going to be resurfaced and re-stripped soon.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm

Minutes Submitted by Sasha Jensen, FNA Coordinator.