

**Fulton Neighborhood Association Board of Directors**  
**Minutes of Wednesday, July, 9 2025, 6:00 pm**  
**FNA Meeting held in Pershing Park Rec Center and google meet**

**Board Members Present:** Ray Klahr, Steve Young, Blake Ward, Jane Kohnen, Krisen Ingle, Blaine Miller Mc-Feely, John Bender, Jim Donnelly

**Guests:** Sasha Jensen (staff) Ward 13 CM Linea Palmisano, Ryan Akerman (City of Minneapolis) Maya Sheikh (Transportation Collaborative) Lilly Carr (City of Lake Stewards) John Finalansen (resident)

**Presentation on West Fulton Improvement Project 6:00pm:** Ryan and Maya pretended to about 20 residents and board members the findings of phase two research and their plan for a more targeted phase 3 of engagement. They will have office hours at Pershing Park on Tuesdays from August 12-September 16 for residents to come in, ask questions and give feedback. Based on the feedback they have heard they are doing fewer rain gardens, but bigger in size and deeper to still meet stormwater run off requirements.

**FNA Board Meeting called to order at 6:30p.m.**

**City of Lake Stewards Presentation:** Lilly Carr from MN Lakes and Rivers talked about a Lake Stewards program that has existed outstate for 5 years. They received a grant to come into the city to help protect Lake Harriet. They hire high school students to do yard evaluations triggered by a survey, and if your yard is a safe yard for lake runoff you receive a sign for your yard. Trying to gain momentum and if your neighbor has a sign you may want to try and get one too. She passed out flyers with the survey to board members to help get the word out. A discussion took place.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jane presented the June Treasurer's Report. We received a letter from the IRS about our fiscal year change and Jane is working on that with them, trying to clear up the confusion..

**Minutes from June 2025 Board meeting:** Ray moved to approve the June board minutes. Blaine seconded and they were approved unanimously.

**Park updates:** Heather has taken an interim role overseeing all Southwest parks. We will be getting a new interim director for Pershing soon. High speed internet should be installed in the rec center by the end of July. A new dishwasher was just installed at the Pershing Rec Center.

**Event Updates:** There is a Fall Festival planning meeting next week. The base details are set. We are adding a wine pull this year that Kristen is organizing. We still need help getting donations for the silent auction.

The annual meeting will be Wednesday, October 8. Ideas for locations were discussed. The executive team will work on finding a location.

The Ice Cream Social is coming up next Wednesday. Jim will update the sign up genius to add more slots for volunteers, but board members, please come attend and help if you can.

**Logo and Merch Discussion:** Kristen presented two versions of a refreshed logo. She took feedback and will come back with the final logo recommendations for the board to approve. The rectangle logo, most similar to our current logo, will be our new main logo and the circle will be used for merch as needed. Once approved, we hope to use the new logo right away when needed and gradually update our website, e news, etc. After a discussion Ray moved to approve \$800 for Fulton branded merch. Blaine seconded and it was approved unanimously. The breakdown is \$150 for 1000 stickers to be given away at the festival, 50 bags at \$310 to sell, and 30 shirts at \$240 for volunteers at the Fall Festival.

Further merch conversation included taking the bags to local shops to sell, having shirts for Festival volunteers, the Fulton Mpls logo was the favorite for shirts. Possibly make a notebook in the future. We can use equity funds for merch. The board thought only pins if they were enamel

Krisen will follow up with the vendor and get back to the board about final details.

**Bike fix is station:** John is working on getting pricing for a bike fix it station at Pershing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Minutes Submitted by Sasha Jensen, FNA Coordinator.