

Date: June 6, 2023

Event: 2023 LHNA Annual Meeting

Location: First Unitarian Church

Attendance: LHNA Board and approximately 75 guests/neighbors.

Speakers: 7th Ward Council Member Lisa Goodman & 5th Precinct Police Inspector Katie Blackwell.

Overview:

The guest speakers at the meeting were Council Member Lisa Goodman and Minneapolis Police Department Inspector Katie Blackwell.

Lisa has been a City Council member since 1997 and is retiring from the City Council at the end of 2023. Lisa reminisced about the changes the City of Minneapolis has seen during her time on the Council. She covered some of her successes as a Council Member and discussed the challenges the city has faced over time.

Inspector Blackwell discussed recent crime statistics in the City at large and in Lowry Hill. Katie touched on recent successes in capturing some repeat criminals but noted that young offenders remain a problem, partially due to legal issues surrounding the prosecution of minors. She mentioned the cooperation among City, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies that has resulted in additional arrests.

Special thanks to outgoing board members Tyler Eklund-Kouba, Chad Harkin, George Montague, and Vickie Bennet for their hard work and dedication. We also welcome our new board members Sarah Grundhoefer, Noah Hauser, Wil Stancil, and Jonathan Suk.

Chas reviewed the events that LHNA held in the year prior to the Annual Meeting including the Lowry Hill Ice Cream Social, the Fishing Event, Super Sale, Fall in the Park, and the Safety Meeting. He also mentioned some of the work we do on zoning, other board committees, and pointed out the new plaques in Thomas Lowry Park.

Chas then announced some of the events we will hold in the upcoming year including the next Super sale with East Isles and Bde Maka Ska, Thrill Kenwood, Fall into Fall at Thomas Lowry Park, the next Neighborhood Safety Meeting, the Winter Palio Games, the upcoming Ice Cream Social, and the Safety Walking Club.

The white wine was more popular than the red and the sandwiches from Lowry Hill Meats were popular. For further detail on topics covered, please see the 2023 Annual Meeting slide deck.

The next LHNA Board Meeting will be held on June 20, 2023 at 7PM in-person at the Kenwood Community Center. Following the June 20 meeting, the board will recess until September 5, 2023.

Minutes by William Goodnow
Secretary, LHNA Board