

**Date:** December 3, 2024

**Location:** Kenwood Community Center

**Time Meeting Called to Order After Quorum: 7:05PM by Anne Nelson**

**Board Members Present:** Anne Nelson (President), Sarah Grundhoefer (Vice President), Sue Westerman (Treasurer), Jonathan Suk (Secretary), Greta Chizek, Holly Ebener, Sheldon Sturgis, Bob Kaufman and Will Stancil

**Other Attendees:** Council Member Katie Cashman and Carla Godwin

### **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

Anne Nelson presented the draft meeting minutes from the November 12, 2024 LHNA board meeting, which had been distributed to the board by email. After discussion, the draft meeting minutes were approved.

### **Minneapolis City Council Update**

Ward 7 Council Member Katie Cashman provided an update on a variety of topics, including the city budget approval process and related priorities, street light repairs, the Hennepin Avenue reconstruction project and neighborhood safety, and responded to questions from the board about the same.

### **PERIS Hill Update**

Carla Godwin provided an update on PERIS Hill, including an overview of the property and its history and current challenges they are facing (including increasing insurance costs), and responded to questions from the board about the same.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Sue Westerman provided the board members with updated financial information by email in advance of the meeting. During the meeting, Sue led the board in a discussion about process requirements to approve funds for the Hennepin/Lyndale median landscape maintenance that was previously approved by the board, required documentation for the façade grant repayment to Sota Clothing Co., LHNA fundraising challenges and a proposal to donate to the outdoor classroom at Kenwood Elementary, which the board agreed to vote on at the January 2025 meeting.

### **Communications**

Holly Ebener provided a Communications Committee update, which included a discussion about the proposed LHNA website redesign and a planned year-end fundraising email. After discussion, the board voted to approve up to \$1,000 in addition costs related to the website redesign, including additional work being performed by Cuyler Dinegan.

### **Crime & Safety Update**

Sue Westerman provided the board members with updated crime & safety information by email in advance of the meeting. Sue then led the board in a discussion about recent crime activity, the upcoming neighborhood safety meeting on January 23, 2025, upcoming neighborhood walks (December 21, 2024 and January 18, 2025) and the possibility of a spring neighborhood walk collaboration with the Green Team, and responded to questions by the board about the same.

### **Events**

Jackie Brown-Baylor, who was unable to attend the meeting in person, provided the board with an Events Committee update by email in advance of the meeting, which included the Winter Social event scheduled for Saturday, January 25 and potential neighborhood happy hours.

### **Green Team**

Greta Chizek provided a Green Team update, which included a discussion about the committee members' recent meeting with Elizabeth Shaffer from the MPRB (including planned advocacy to ensure that the Lake of the Isles skating rink and warming house are not eliminated in future city budgets) and the possibility of neighborhood coordination with Ridwell to pay for a drop-off location at Sabastian Joe's, and responded to questions from the board about the same.

### **Uptown Farmers Market**

Sarah Grundhoefer provided the board with an update on the Uptown Farmers Market that is expected to kick-off in the spring of 2025 at the Seven Points building, and responded to questions from the board members about the same.

As there was no further business,

**Meeting adjourned by Anne Nelson at 8:55PM by motion carried.**

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### **Definitions**

LHNA: Lowry Hill Neighborhood Association  
MPRB: Minneapolis Parks & Recreation Board

The next LHNA Board Meeting will be held in-person at the Kenwood Community Center on Tuesday, January 7, 2024 at 7PM.

Minutes by Jonathan Suk  
Secretary, LHNA Board