

Meeting Minutes
Lowry Hill East NRP Steering Committee

Wednesday June 6, 2007

Meeting held at LHENA office, Room 107, Jefferson Community School

Submitted by Caprice Bart

Committee Present: Mark Greenwald, Kathy Kulberg, Julianna Wolfe, Caprice Bart, Carol Wilson, Tina Johnson, Jim Henderson

Committee Absent: Tim Dray

Call to Order: Meeting called to Order at 7:05

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved with no changes. Motion: Mark Greenwald 2nd: Kathy Kulberg

Brief Introduction: Members introduced themselves around the table for those not present at the first meeting.

7:05 Nomination of a Secretary: Carol Wilson nominated Caprice Bart; Julianna Wolfe 2nd, voted and passed unanimously.

7:10 Secretary's report:

Nothing to report. Review of May 2nd minutes submitted by Caroline Griepentrog. Motion to approve by Kathy Kullberg, Caprice Bart seconded. Motion carried.

7:10 Treasurer's Report

Review of April Financials. Nothing of special interest. Treasurer and accountant researching errors in the 10K to 25K amount. Haven't determined if they are numbers in the black or in the red- but appear to have been accounted for somewhere and just not yet cleared from the books.

Balance sheet not included in report presented.

Discussion of budget, office expenses.

Mention of Administration Salaries and other programs run through this office

(NRP programs thru LHENA vs. NRP programs run thru downtown)

7:15 Phase I Committee Reports

Housing Loan Program report and review. More activity anticipated in the coming weeks.

Questions on 2nd tier- 11 applications approved

NRP Steering could choose to reopen program if there is a surplus, anticipate \$ to be left over. Should know in the next few weeks.

7:25 Crime and Safety:

Bike Patrol Update: 20K left over from last year budget. Bob Cooper extending date of contract thru the end of the year.

Develop neighborhood police program, robbery and property crime report, hours and services to be included in the scope. Anticipate spending the entire sum.

Buy Back program dependant on police volunteering.

Pay scale for police volunteers is time and a half, period from June thru October, some time around Thanksgiving and Christmas. Evenings and late nights. Some afternoons possible. The breakdown is about 100 hrs a month X 2 officers (offices ride in tandem) = 50 Hrs a month. Possibly foot or Squad patrol as well.

7:30 Phase II-

Dot-Mocracy Results

2 Planning sessions set up 6/21/07 and 6/28/07 Planning Session at Mueller Park, 6:30 PM.

Discussion of Ice cream social and Home tour on Saturday 6/16/07. Caprice Bart will provide tables, and Mark Greenwald and Carol Wilson will staff the table in shifts.

Discussion of Land Trust in Wedge area.

Training Session is set for Monday 6/18/07. Dates and times are posted on the Wedge website Robert Thompson will come and lecture on best way to run NRP and address legalities of land trust and other issues. Session scheduled at N.I.P., 3rd Fl conference room, 2431 Hennepin Ave S.

Discussion if disintegration of Historic Districts. Proposal of an “overlay” district to help control city zoning changes in lieu of declaring an historic district.

7:55 Other Business

In future meetings will cover all 3 results of “Dot-Mocracy”. We will need easels for large pads for planning session.

Possible request to use Mueller Park building for this meeting, or maybe Intermedia Arts or NIP. Jefferson School is unavailable during summer.

Discussion of neighborhood votes on final plan. Effort to create interest from neighborhood at planning meetings and the need for task forces to oversee implementation of approved ideas.

Proposal to have a neighborhood kiosk, to post neighborhood-relevant information and announcements.

NRP Steering Committee Meeting for July is moved from July 4th to Tuesday July 10th. Location TBD

There is a Wedge Forum on Yahoo for those that are interested. Will be posted in The Wedge paper and on the website.

Wine Tasting tickets, need volunteers to staff the tables and also volunteers for the ice cream social.

8:35 Adjournment.