

## **January 9th, 2020 LPNA Board Meeting Minutes**

In attendance: Reanne, Ben, Larry, Pat V, Jon, Pat M, Alex, Jacquelyn, Jeff, Steve  
Guests: Casey Carl, Alberder Gillespie, Jeff Neerbrook, Katie

Meeting was called to order by Larry.

November minute we're approval motion with change of start time to 6:10PM. -Jeff  
Second - Larry , Motion approved unanimously.

**Elections - Casey Carl** -The DFL primary for house seat 60A is 1/21 with the election February 4. The Legalize Marijuana Now party is now a major party in Minnesota so the winner of the DFL party will face the candidate from the Legalize Marijuana Now party. March 3rd is primary day for the general election. Republicans and Democrats will share primary locations.

**Census - Alberder Gillespie** - Minnesota is at risk of losing a congressional seat following the census so an effort is being made to ensure high participation. Minneapolis is predicting an undercount of nearly 96,000. The city will lose \$28,000 per year for each person Not counted for the next ten years. Children are the largest uncounted group. Renters, people experiencing homelessness, students, and immigrant and refugee communities are also likely to be undercounted.

The census can now be completed online. For more information go to [wecountmpls.org](http://wecountmpls.org).

**Vote on Historic Lighting** The priorities committee has voted to spend \$50,000 of NRP funds for historic lighting on Monroe. This would not affect funding for other projects on which the priorities committee is now working. It would cover 20% of the total costs but 2/3 of residents would need to express their support for this to move forward.

Motion: Logan Park will make available \$50,000 of NRP funds for Monroe Street Historic Lighting. The money will be available through 12/31/20.

Second: Jeff, 7 in favor. 2 opposed, Motion passes

### **Should we advertise in the Art a Whirl directory?**

Motion: Spending \$350.00 to advertise in the Art a Whirl directory? - Alex

Second - Jeff, 8 in favor. 1 opposed. Motion passes.

**Railroad Meeting Update - Larry and Ben** -Larry and Ben met with Amy and two railroad security staff. Willingness to do some cleanup at the site as well as look at the possibility of public art, though they would need to approve the design.

Amy stated that the railroad has problems with Art a Whirl and would like to meet with NEMAA ahead of the event.

**Extend CEE Energy Squad visits to Dec 2020. - Pat** -Need to sign a new contract for the energy audit if we wish to renew. We spent \$567 of up to \$1,000 contract.

Motion: Sign 2020 contract authorizing up to \$1,000 for energy audits. - Jeff  
Second - Jacquelyn. Motion approved unanimously.

**Vote on 2020 CPP Budget** -Motion: Approve 2020 LPNA CPP Budget as drafted by Pat, moving the sponsorship budget to \$1,000 and Outreach down to \$1,180. - Larry  
Second: Jeff

Discussion: It's going to be a tighter budget. Likely to need about \$2,000 for bookkeeping. We will need to invest in Quickbooks at \$30/month. Motion passed unanimously.

**House 60 Candidate Forum Update - Steve** - The forum will be held on 1/13 at Solar Arts. Expenses shared among five neighborhoods. Neighborhoods and Arts District interested in continuing to work together. Pat, Larry, and Ben offered to volunteer along with Pat and Steve. Reanne will pick up materials from storage.

**Priorities Committee Update** - Pavilion granted \$15,000 from People for Parks.  
Murals - Anna from NEMAA spoke to R2 who is interested in a mural on the side of their building. Question: Is it possible to provide updates on Air Quality monitors in the newsletter?

**Discussion of Board Term Limits -Steve**

Term limits for board tenure can begin as of the passing of the bylaws. Board members discussed their intentions for continuing on the board. Agreed it will be important to recruit additional membership.

**Farmer's Market Update - Jeff and Steve** - We were not in a good location. Would need an activity to draw people to our table if we continue to sponsor in the future.

Reminder: The Community Connections Conference is February 1.