

Minutes

September 11, 2024 | 6:00 – 7:30pm

Pavilion at Bde Maka Ska

3000 East Bde Maka Ska Parkway (near Pimento)

Attendees: Alex Dietz, Patty Schmitz (treasurer), Amanda Vallone, Steve Goltry. Quorum present.

Absent: Tim Sheridan, Laura Demarais, Mike Siebenaler

Guests: Kristin Dolphin – CIDNA resident, Katie Cashman - Mpls Ward 7 Council Member.

Action Items in BOLD

6:03 PM Preliminaries

- Call to Order Patty chaired the meeting this month.
- Alex volunteered to take minutes.
- Approval of Agenda Amanda Vallone motioned, seconded by Steve, passed unanimously

Super Sale multi-neighborhood garage sale summary.

Kristin gave a summary of the Garage Super Sale the previous weekend Sept 8th.

- 110 total garage sales.
- o 6 in cidna. Didn't see a lot of pirate garage sales.
- Well organized, interactive maps,
- Kirstin was cidna host site (hand out materials for nbhd participants)
- o Free to CIDNA this year as first timers, \$200 (? confirm) next year.

There was discussion if the event was worth it for CIDNA, given that only 6 homes participated. We generally expect greater participation next year as exposure & awareness grows and this is worth it for CIDNA members. Next year: Sept 6, 2025.

Fall Festival update -

Patty and Amanda gave an update of planning & status for Fall Festival to be held at Park Siding park on Sat. Oct 5th 1-4 pm.

- Amanda working on vendors for pop-up market: TreatMe2Dogs, Bird Houses by Daryl both confirmed. Macaroon people and Minnesota food forest have not been confirmed. Music lined up, kids entertainment by Mr. Fun. Lining up city permit.
- Patty & Kristin handling hot dogs, popcorn machine, drinks, ice, volunteers, advertising & promotion, logistics, chair rental, tables,

coolers, tents, gas grill, Layout in the park, volunteer badges, Jonny pops donation, soliciting businesses for raffle donations, electric cords, placement of banners, and anything else not related to popup market or entertainment.

o Tim handling ad for Hill & Lake press.

Adopt-a-drain

Patty gave an update because Pat was not present.

- A table will be at the Fall Festival.
- Estimated 17 new drains have been adopted.
- Alex urged board members who have not adopted drains to do so as per unanimous decision in July minutes.
- Patty will send Pat a note to have a number for Fall Festival.

Meetings on the Move

- October board meeting will be at Park Siding park. The city's NRP rep is planning to attend.
- November meeting at Barnes and Noble. **Amanda will contact them to finalize suitable meeting space.**

Financial report

Patty gave an overview of the finances –

- Funds are low and CIDNA would benefit from a fundraiser.
- Alex will reach out to the CIDNA web developer to understand why/what the \$75 monthly retainer covers.
- Patty is still waiting on Mike and Tim to review and sign their Board conflict of interest policy forms.

Proposal for Temporary Coordinator role and stipend.

Patty laid out that in addition to being the Board treasurer, coordinator activities are on her shoulders at about 5-6 hrs/week.

- Proposing a stipend to cover this time cost.
- We need to get a new coordinator but until then stipend for patty.
- Board members present recommend approving the stipend.
- Due to conflict-of-interest Alex and Patty abstain from voting, and quorum not present to vote on this proposal. No motion made.
- Amanda to craft email to send to board.

Discussion with Katie Cashman

Katie Cashman joined the meeting at approx. 6:25 pm to discuss items of interest & concern to the CIDNA neighborhood.

- Cedar lake parkway closing for 2 weeks due to the SWLRT construction.
- Labor Standards Board. . Lots of meetings with stakeholders. Intended for construction to deal with wage theft. Really not intended for restaurants (she said it's already an over regulated industry in Mpls). Question about where to go for information. Katie will email 1 pager to the cidna board. There really isn't a restaurant guideline set the board isn't meant for that. Restaurant owners are very community engaged, which is why we hear that most. But really it's for construction and condos, in particular condo security guards.
- New police contract. Council vote was 9 yes, 4 no. she voted for it. Increased cost pulled from downtown assets fund (sales tax, beverage tax. That fund is growing). Gotten 1000 applications. Last year 700 for police work. 8 more police officers since end of 2023. She would like to see the Downtown ambassadors expanded into uptown at nighttime.

Fund raiser

Patty gave an update on the CIDNA fund raiser she's been planning.

- October 13th, 5-7pm at Hamilton studio. Pitching it as fundraiser 50/50 for cidna and cover cost of replacing tree cut down by SWLRT construction.
- Patty has found music for it. Has microphone. Patty will send task list to
 Amanda
- Save the date graphic??? Yes. Eye catching. Think about ad for hill and lake press.
- Lots of work and could use a hand in planning.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20