



Cedar · Isles · Dean
Neighborhood Association

April 13, 2022
CIDNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
(meeting held via Zoom)

PARTICIPANTS

Board Members Present: Laura Cederberg (Chair), Tim Sheridan (Vice-Chair), Mike Siebenaler (Treasurer), Laura DeMarais, Stephen Goltry, Rosanne Halloran, Dean Kephart, Mary Pattock, Claire Ruebeck, Amanda Vallone

Others Present: Lisa Goodman (City Council-Ward 7), David Davies (SWLRT Project Office), Meg Forney (MPRB), Annette Greely (Jones-Harrison Residences) and Rachel Svihel (CIDNA Coordinator candidate).

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm. The meeting agenda was approved. The minutes of the March 9 board meeting were also approved.

REPORTS

WARD 7 Office. Councilmember Goodman reported:

- April 27 Lunch with Lisa, 12-1 pm MPRB Park Commissioner Elizabeth Schaffer will discuss the various Master Plan documents at the University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis campus.
- Variances requested for 34 Park Lane were denied by the City Council's Zoning and Planning Committee.
- City street sweeping will begin April 18. Signs will be posted to move cars as streets are done. The city website (Minneapolismn.gov) will also list by address when each street will be swept.
- Road closures-- Franklin Ave. between Hennepin and Lyndale will be closed this summer for repairs.
- Homeowners have received valuation notices as well as tax statements with two payments due. Lakes area residents will see 2023 average increases of 3-5%; other areas of the city with a large percentage of starter homes had increases of 5-25%. If a valuation seems too high, it can be appealed to the city Assessors Office.
- There is an opening on the city Advisory Committee on Aging. Go to the city website to apply. (You must be 50 years "young.") This is a council appointment.

SWLRT. David Davies reported:

- Cedar Isles Condo Association (CICA) –The engineering firm, Socotec, hired by the Met Council completed their evaluation of the building and damage. Findings were reported to residents and in a Power Point presentation were given to elected officials on April 12. The findings will be disseminated to the public at a later date.
- There has been resumption of excavation of the Kennilworth tunnel. Amanda and Laura C. reported excess vibration. David said there would be better notification of work in the future.

- The Cedar Lake Parkway closure has been pushed back to mid-May. The Met Council will publicize closures and detours as they occur. Laura C. requested that striping for pedestrian and bicycle safety be added in the temporary crossings. David said he would bring it to the city and Park Board but that it is dependent on facility owners.

MPRB Meg Forney reported:

- Meg complimented CIDNA for our involvement in Park Board issues.
- Some MPRB initiatives are expanding services and engaging youth at North Commons, and a continuous trail on the Mississippi.
- Four thousand trees will be planted as part of restoring the tree canopy.
- Claire said that better communication and engagement with the public is important. Could an interim report on the progress of the Cedar Isles Master Plan be disseminated?
- Laura C. and Mary agreed that protecting water quality of Cedar and Isles Lakes should be a priority, rather than adding infrastructure.

Jones-Harrison Residence Annette Greely reported:

- Annette is the new CEO/President of Jones-Harrison. She invited us to attend their June 4 fundraiser; funds raised will be used to create an inner courtyard garden for residents.
- Annette expects voting to resume at the facility if COVID restrictions are eased in November.
- Beginning this summer, in-person CIDNA board meetings are also a possibility.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Governance Committee. Laura C. reported:

- The governance committee would like to convert to hybrid (In person and Zoom) or in-person board meetings in June. An appropriate meeting location will need to be identified.
- Nomination forms for board members are available on the website. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the annual meeting.
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Communications Committee. Mary reported:

- Development of the new CIDNA website continues. Mike will work on a “button” to donate, we already pay for access to Square.
- The design for CIDNA mugs will emphasize the four seasons and is being finalized by Tim. Some should be available for purchase on Volunteer Night.
- The newsletter was sent out and postcards will be designed and sent prior to the annual meeting

Social Committee. Amanda reported the following 2022 events. Additional details at cidna.org

- **Volunteer Information Night – Wednesday, April 27**
CIDNA committee chairs will be available to discuss volunteer opportunities. Meet neighbors and find out ways to get involved. Location: Kenwood Rec Center
- **May Day Basket Making – April 29 (6:30-8:30pm) & April 30 (2-5pm)**
A family-fun activity. Help decorate and assemble May Day baskets for residents of Jones-Harrison Residence. Location: ARTrageous Adventures (2121 W. 21st St)

- **Summer Solstice Celebration – June 21 (6-8pm)**
Celebrate the longest day of the year with music, activities and refreshments. Location: Cedar Lake South Beach
- **Summer Music Series @ Cedar Lake South Beach (June, July, August)**

Environment Committee. Claire reported:

- Public mural installation--The muralist is working with the committee to develop three design options. Information related to the anti-graffiti treatment has been requested by the MPRB.
- The 2022 Park Stewardships have been approved for Cedar Lake South Beach and Park Siding Park. Volunteers are needed from May through October, all are welcome.
- Cedar Isles Master Plan Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings are being held, and a water quality advisory committee has been formed. CIDNA board members agree that water quality should be the major priority. Among its environmental concerns are a trail and boardwalk on Cedar Lake frontage. CIDNA will collaborate with MPRB to host a public meeting in April to highlight resident input on the master planning priorities.

Joint Safety Committee. Stephen reported:

- Ongoing concerns about ADA curb/sidewalk accessibility and traffic speeds.
- Committee considering Watch for Pedestrians yard signs at key intersections
- Committee is looking at sponsoring a joint rail safety meeting with West Maka Ska
- Laura D. has resigned as co-chair and a member of the committee.

ACTIONS

Moved: "To allocate \$250 for the purchase of CIDNA-designed mugs to be sold as a CIDNA fundraiser."
Seconded. Passed Unanimously.

Moved: "To donate \$500 to the Jones-Harrison Residence for their courtyard garden fundraiser."
Seconded. Passed Unanimously.

Moved: "To authorize the social committee to spend \$500 to secure the performance of Open Eye Theatre at the summer solstice event on June 21st." Seconded. Passed unanimously.

The CIDNA annual meeting will be held Wednesday, May 11, 2022 7:00-8:30 pm via Zoom. All community members are welcome.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.