



Cedar · Isles · Dean
Neighborhood Association

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2022
(meeting held in-person at Park Siding Park)

PARTICIPANTS

Board Members Present: Laura Cederberg (Chair), Tim Sheridan (Vice-Chair), Mike Siebenaler (Treasurer), Mark Miller, Stephen Goltry, Amanda Vallone, Mary Pattock, Claire Ruebeck, Rosanne Halloran, Scott Herold

Board members absent: Dean Kephart, Laura DeMarais

Others present: Councilmember Lisa Goodman, David Davies (Met Council), area residents

CIDNA Board of Directors returned to in-person meetings after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm.

Councilmember Lisa Goodman reported: The next “Lunch with Lisa” is on June 29 to meet with business owners from Seven Points project and other Uptown businesses. Board members thanked Lisa for helping to ensure that graffiti under the Dean Parkway bridge was promptly removed.

David Davies with the Met Council reported that construction of the Kenilworth corridor tunnel is continuing, including excavation of the tunnel near the Cedar-Isles Condominiums (CICA). There will be improved monitors and monitoring equipment to reduce risk of damage to the CICA buildings. Cedar Lake Parkway is closed at Burnham Road on May 23 until spring of 2023. There will also be closures of the Cedar Lake channel for demolition purposes.

The bike/walking trail across the railroad tracks on Cedar Lake Parkway will soon be detoured utilizing 28th Street, Depot Street and the alley behind the 2700 block of Xerxes Avenue. A mature tree was removed to make way for the temporary trail, and David said the Met Council will try to avoid removing another one.

Governance Committee chair Laura Cederberg asked that a minimum of two CIDNA board members attend each of the many activities and events planned during this summer. CIDNA’s July meeting will focus on the planning of the Fall Festival and board retreat.

Communication Committee Chair Mary Pattock reported: Still working on signs to welcome people to the Cedar-Isles-Dean neighborhood. Development of new CIDNA website continues. CIDNA's E-News has an "open rate" of 60% — about twice the 32% average for nonprofits. The committee is ordering merchandise, mugs and shirts, with the new CIDNA logo.

Mary, who also serves on the board of the Hill & Lake Press, said the paper will now be distributed by US mail. That means it — and the CIDNA minutes and other news that it carries — will reach every individual address in the area, including every unit in area multiple dwellings. This supports CIDNA's efforts to involve renters in the organization.

Social Committee Chair Amanda Vallone reported: Monthly storytelling at Park Siding Park starts June 10. CIDNA is sponsoring live music at Cedar Lake South Beach on Saturday, June 18, 4 pm. The Summer Solstice celebration will be held at Cedar Lake South Beach, June 21, 6 pm — free and open to all. The full list of CIDNA summer events is available at cidna.org.

Environmental Preservation Committee Chair Claire Ruebeck reported: Another great garlic mustard removal on June 5. The Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board is expected to release the Cedar-Isles Master Plan on June 22. Claire presented three designs by Minneapolis artist Lili Lennox for the planned mural on the comfort station at the Cedar Lake South Beach comfort station. Cedar-Isles-Dean residents can vote on their favorite design June 15-June 30. The designs are available for the public to view and vote on at cidna.org. The final selection will be announced in July. A storm water management meeting is scheduled for June 9.

Safety Committee Chair Stephen Goltry reported: No meeting of the safety committee last month. Reviewing intersections and crosswalks for ideas to improve safety.

Treasurer's Report (My opinion only - I think every role/committee should be represented in the minutes, even if it states that there was no report. Perhaps with the exception of Land Use Committee and Transportation Committee -we haven't had either for ages)

CIDNA donated \$500 to Jones Harrison Residence to use as it sees fit. Jones Harrison has been a vital support to CIDNA, allowing CIDNA to use its spaces for board and community meetings at no charge.

Coordinator's Report: Rachel Svihel reported that CIDNA will send bi-monthly e-newsletters, starting June 16. Additional online engagement tools planned include adding CIDNA board members' biographies to the web site and creating a QR code for people to access CIDNA information.

CIDNA Board unanimously elected officers for 2022-2023: Laura Cederberg (chair), Tim Sheridan (vice-chair), Mike Siebenaler (treasurer). The secretary position remains open.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm. CIDNA's next meeting will be held Wednesday, July 13, 6-7:30 pm at Park Siding Park. There will be no August meeting.

Submitted by Mike Siebenaler

