



Cedar · Isles · Dean
Neighborhood Association

MAY 11, 2022

CIDNA ANNUAL MEETING (PART 1) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

(meeting held via Zoom)

Submitted by Laura DeMarais

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 included: City Council Member Lisa Goodman, Hennepin County Commissioner Marion Greene, Sen. Scott Dibble, Rep. Frank Hornstein, guest speaker Anna Eleria, CIDNA accountant Robert Thompson, CIDNA Coordinator Rachel Svihel.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. The meeting agenda was approved. The minutes of the April 13 board meeting and 2021 annual meeting were also approved.

REPORTS

Councilmember Goodman said the June 29 Lunch with Lisa will be held at Seven Points and focus on the future of Uptown. CIDNA thanked Councilmember Goodman for her continued commitment and communication to the neighborhood.

Rep. Hornstein and Sen. Dibble provided updates on SWLRT and Met Council reform legislation at the legislature. Resident Bill Larson shared concerns from 5 property owners of the Met Council's plan to build a temporary bike and pedestrian path across private property during the Cedar Lake Parkway closure, which would result in the loss of a large tree. The CIDNA board thanked Rep. Hornstein and Sen. Dibble for their leadership on SWLRT, efforts to provide restitution for CICA residents, and Met Council reform.

Commissioner Greene reported on the Hennepin County Hotels to Homes program. Mary Pattock asked Commissioner Greene why she actively lobbied at the Capitol against legislation Rep. Hornstein and Sen. Dibble are pushing to help the residents of the Cedar-Isles Condominiums damaged by SWLRT construction. She also asked why Commissioner Greene, as a member of the SWLRT Executive Change Control Board, approved all of the construction changes resulting in SWLRT costing an additional \$500 million and an additional four-year delay.

Accountant Robert Thompson reported CIDNA is in good financial standing through 2022.

Featured speaker Anna Eleria began her presentation on water quality of Cedar Lake and Lake of the Isles, but was interrupted by power outages and tornado warnings.

Because of the weather conditions, the meeting was temporarily suspended at 8:11 pm. It was reconvened at 8:30 but due to lack of quorum, at 8:50 it was adjourned to a later date.

CIDNA will reconvene its annual meeting on Thursday, May 19 at 7 pm via Zoom. Business will include: a presentation on water quality from Anna Eleria, presentation of the 2022 CIDNA annual report, consideration of proposed bylaw amendments regarding term limits and voting methods for board elections, and the election of CIDNA board of directors.

Submitted by Laura DeMarais

MAY 19, 2022
CIDNA ANNUAL MEETING (PART 2) BOARD MEETING MINUTES
(meeting held via Zoom)

PARTICIPANTS

Board Members Present: Laura Cederberg (Chair), Tim Sheridan (Vice-Chair), Mike Siebenaler (Treasurer), Laura DeMarais, Mary Pattock, Claire Ruebeck

Board members absent: Stephen Goltry, Rosanne Halloran, Dean Kephart, Amanda Vallone

Others present: guest speaker Anna Eleria, Scott Herold, Mark Miller

Due to inclement weather and power outages during the May 11 Annual Meeting, the board resumed the Annual Meeting on May 19. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm.

Water quality expert and CIDNA resident Anna Eleria, who serves on the Cedar-Isles Master Plan Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), concluded her presentation on water quality of Cedar Lake and Lake of the Isles. She said that in recent years, water quality at Cedar Lake has declined by transparency, chlorophyll and phosphorus measures, and is now eutrophic. Much pollution comes from St. Louis Park, but also from local neighborhood. To help protect water quality of our lakes, Anna recommended residents take the following steps: clean curbs and drains, replace turf grass with native plants, build a rain garden, pick up litter and pet waste, sweep salt and participate in future planning efforts. The CAC will make water quality recommendations to the Park Board relating to the master plan, and a recommendation to establish a permanent, city-wide water quality board of some kind.

Chair Laura Cederberg submitted the 2022 Annual Report to the Board of Directors and thanked the board and committee chairs for their contributions over the past year. Laura noted the success of the 2022 Fall Festival which drew more than 200 attendees including new families in the area. The full report is available at cidna.org.

The membership unanimously approved amendments to the CIDNA bylaws regarding floor nominations for board members and the option to implement hybrid online and in-person voting for board elections. The membership unanimously approved the establishment of term limits for board members. Elected board members may not serve more than 6 consecutive 1-year terms, unless there are vacancies on the board.

An election was held for the 2022-2023 Board of Directors: Laura Cederberg, Tim Sheridan, Mike Siebenaler, Laura DeMarais, Mary Pattock, Claire Ruebeck, Stephen Goltry, Rosanne Halloran, Dean Kephart, Amanda Vallone were elected to a new term. Two new directors were elected: Scott Herold and Mark Miller.

CIDNA's next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 8, 6-7:30.

Submitted by Laura Cederberg