

Cedar-Isles-Dean Neighborhood Association

Minutes of the September 8, 2021 Board Meeting (held via Zoom)

Approved at the CIDNA Board Meeting on October 13, 2021

Submitted by Amanda Vallone and Michael Jon Olson

Attendance

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

Others Present: Lisa Goodman (City Council – Ward 7), Michael Jon Olson (CIDNA Coordinator), Robert Thomson (accountant), Mike Wilson (former resident)

Preliminaries

Meeting was called to order at 6:00.

The agenda was approved without changes.

The minutes of the August 11 board meeting were approved.

Reports

Ward 7 Office. Councilmember Goodman wished everyone a Happy Rosh Hashanah and reported that:

- The next Lunch with Lisa is Wednesday, September 29 at the University of St. Thomas. City Clerk Casey Carl will present on the three proposed Charter Amendments.
- The City has received a demolition permit request for 30 Park Lane which is currently being reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission.
- September is National Preparedness Month (see www.Ready.gov for more information).
- The City of Minneapolis is seeking feedback on funding priorities for the second round of [American Rescue Plan Act funding](#). The [survey](#) will be open through September 24.
- Minneapolis residents can request litter cleanup supplies from the City. [Click here for more information.](#)

Treasurer. Mike and Robert Thomson reported that: they are working to fix issues related to online access to the bank account; a payment request has been submitted to the City; there was a little hiccup with the request to the IRS to change in the fiscal year to run concurrent with the calendar year and consequently this year's Annual Report to the State of Minnesota will need to be for the old fiscal year, ending on May 31. The board will discuss the budget at the upcoming retreat.

Governance Committee & Coordinator. Laura C. and Michael Jon reported that they began work on a draft of CIDNA's Equitable Engagement Plan. The plan will go to the Communications Committee for review. Michael Jon has started work on the applications for the Equitable Engagement Fund and the Neighborhood Network Fund, which are due October 15. Drafts of these applications will be sent to the full board for review.

Communications Committee. Dean reported that he needs to step down as chair of the committee. Mary has agreed to take over as chair. Also, see action item below.

Social Committee. Amanda reported that Tai Chi on Dean Green has not yet had the attendance hoped for. It has been and will continue to be promoted in the e-news and Facebook. The day and time may be a problem. Planning for the Fall Festival (1:00 – 4:00pm on Saturday, October 9) is underway. This year there will be live music as well as more kids activities including a bike decorating station and kids bike parade.

Environment Committee. Claire reported on upcoming dates for gardening at Park Siding Park (9am – 12noon, September 18 and 5:30 – 7:30pm on October 6). Claire also reported on some troubles with MPRB staff mowing over the natural restoration areas at Cedar Lake South Point.

Joint Safety Committee. Stephen reminded everyone about the upcoming Safety Walk with West Maka Ska, coming up at 4:30pm on September 15.

Transportation Updates. As early as September 20, 2021, Cedar Lake Parkway at the Kenilworth Trail will close to vehicle traffic for two weeks. Pedestrian and bicycle access will be preserved for the duration of this closure. Also, MPRB has closed the Cedar Lake Channel for the duration of the fall to conduct shoreline stabilization work.

Actions

Moved: *To approve CIDNA visual identity (logo, typography, color palette, etc.) as proposed by Woychick Design and recommended by the Communications Committee.* Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Moved: *To approve plan for charter amendment education - a CIDNA-sponsored presentation by City Clerk Casey Carl on September 23 and a contribution of up to \$150 to the joint SW neighborhoods charter education effort - as recommended by the Governance Committee.* Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Moved: *To authorize the Environment Committee to negotiate a contract with MPRB for a public art installation at Cedar Lake South Beach and select an artist, with a total project budget of up to \$10,000, including a maintenance fund.* Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Discussions

Upcoming Calendar. Laura C. recapped the upcoming CIDNA calendar, including the forum on SWLRT construction issues on September 16. She also provided an overview of the draft agenda for the upcoming Board Retreat, scheduled for September 25.

Archive Project. Rosanne updated the board on the archive project. The board discussed establishing criteria for what to keep, what to destroy, and what to donate.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm