

November 14, 2023

MEADOWBROOK COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

At 6:30 pm the President, Pam Bowe, called the meeting to order. There were 11 attendees, including at least 8 voting members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer, Wilma Boyd, reported there was a total of \$1,684.05 in the Council's checking and savings accounts at BECU.

Approval of Minutes: After the motion was made and seconded, the minutes of the September 12, 2023 meeting (which have been posted on the MCC website) were approved.

Nominations for Directors and Officers

The existing Officers and Directors stated they were willing to continue to serve. Ms. Bowe invited any interested member to apply for any of the officer or director positions and to contact her if they had questions about what the duties involved. At the January 9, 2024 meeting the officers and directors will be elected.

Luminaria Walk On December 2, 2023 the annual Luminaria Walk will be held from 5:30pm to 8pm at Meadowbrook Pond Park.

Meadowbrook Emergency Communications HUB Maple Leaf Lutheran Church is willing to allow the HUB to be located on their property. The President said she had obtained a fiscal sponsor, has two volunteers to help write the grant for the project, and asked for volunteers to assist in writing the grant.

To raise the money to replace the stolen HUB, the President plans to have a skills fair regarding emergency planning and preparedness at the Meadowbrook Community Center at a later date.

In Person Meetings? Mr. A.J. Skurdal offered a motion to resume in person meetings at the January 9, 2024, meeting with a remote video feed if members did not wish to attend in person. After being seconded, it was unanimously approved.

Neighborhood Events Ms. Valerie Bunn reported the Bartells in Lake City is closing. The old site of the Wedgwood Broiler and QFC is for sale and a developer may purchase it in a year to redevelop the site. The company constructing John Rogers Elementary had all their tools stolen from the site and has hired a guard to watch the site.

The President noted some teenagers from Waldorf School are looking for volunteer projects. She also complimented Mr. Bubelis on his continuing efforts to obtain recognition for the old Nishitani nursery site.

Mr. Keefe said SDOT agreed yesterday to an \$18,000 figure to move forward with work on creating a bio swale on the north side of NE 110th Street between Nathan Hale and Jane Addams. The project will replace invasive plants with native plants and install barriers to prevent cars from falling into the ditch at that location.

Dumping The Vice President reported about the dumping of landfill on a building site on Ravenna Avenue NE above Willow Creek. The Thornton Creek Alliance has complained to the City about the dumping and Meadowbrook members made suggestions regarding additional action which might be taken such as contacting the State Representative for this area.

Meadowbrook Community Garden and Orchard Mr. Keefe reported the community garden has obtained a City grant to provide new tools, a larger storage container, gloves, new composted soil, etc. There will be several more work parties before the garden is shut down for the winter.

Thornton Creek Activity After the recent heavy rains, Mr. Keefe's monitoring group recorded record E.coli counts in a number of Thornton Creek sampling sites.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

By: Michael Reinhardt, Secretary

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