

LINDEN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes of the regular meeting, May 2, 2006

Present: Doug Kenison, Bill Idzorek, Kathy Urberg, Liz Loney, Debbie Evans, Laurie Foster, John Reinan, Jennifer Yates Borger, Greta Trygstad, Gabe Graber-Mitchell, Felicity Britton, Tim O'Brien, Jack Jaglo and Larry LaVercombe

Absent: Deb Pierce

Also attending: Marc Holtey, Rae Ann Vandeputte, Jeff Winter, Tom Bicanich, owner Bicko's and Betsy Hodges

Meeting called to order by co-chair Foster.

Approval of agenda and April minutes. Approved unanimously.

Park director's report. Mother's Day Tea is May 13. Registration now open for summer.

City of Lakes Run. Jeff Winter explained the history of the run; it is now 25 years old. He is organizing a new City of Lakes 5K run to raise funds for the Lake Harriet Bandshell Maintenance fund. He is asking for promotional and/or financial support. *Motion by O'brien, second by Britton, "Move to support, in any non-funded ways, City of Lakes 5K run."* Motion approved unanimously. The item will go back on the June agenda to discuss financial support after the Finance Committee has discussed further.

City Council report. Betsy Hodges gave some updates:

- The governor proposed using NRP funds for public safety. She expressed the fact it was not a good idea. Therefore the NRP Board and City Council voted to change NRP legislation to include public safety along with housing in the mandatory 52% of Phase II funds that must be spent by neighborhoods. Not sure where that is in the legislation.
- A 10 year transportation Action Plan is out.
- WiFi Community Benefits Agreement meetings are ending May 3.
- 3815 Washburn appeal was denied because it was allowed due to city error.
- Hodges is talking to the city regarding infill issues as well as tear downs. She is planning to have meetings mid to late summer.
- National Night Out (NNO) permit fees were removed.

Coordinator's report. Reviewed (see attached).

Budget & Finance Committee.

- The April receipts journal was submitted to the secretary.
- **Spring Grant Applications.** There was only one request from Linden Hearts Kids club for \$1300 to cover expenses for the next 12 months. *Motion by Kenison, second by Britton "LHiNC budget \$750 from Spring Grant funds for Linden Hearts Kids club for expenses August through October of 2006 and*

encourage the group to apply for a Fall Grant covering expenses for October through December of 2006” Motion approved unanimously.

- **Liquor reimbursement policy.** Kenison proposed to change LHiNC’s spending policy to note that liquor is not a reimbursable expense because last year the Home Tour organizers asked for reimbursement on liquor for their year-end party. *Motion made by Kenison, seconded by LaVercombe, “Move that liquor be added to the Prohibitions section of our Policies & Procedures document.”* There was much discussion and concern that putting in such a clause would not allow the organization to host fundraising efforts that offered alcoholic beverages (e.g., wine tasting) and therefore Kenison withdrew the motion. *Motion by Kolkman, second by O’Brien, “LHiNC does not reimburse for alcoholic beverages for the after hour Home Tour Party”* Motion approved unanimously.
- **City of Lakes 5K run funding.** *Motion by Kenison, second by Yates-Borger “Move LHiNC budget \$150 for race numbers for City of Lakes 5K band shell maintenance run.” Motion approved unanimously.*

Scope of Service Phase II Youth Grants. Idzorek mentioned that LHiNC had \$23,000 in Phase II funds for Youth Grants. He reviewed the program objectives, guidelines and process along with presenting a Scope of Service. *Motion by Idzorek, second by Urberg “LHiNC approve the Scope of Service for Phase II Youth Grants for a total of \$23,000 to cover the next two years”* Motion approved unanimously.

Housing Motion. *Motion by Graber-Mitchell, second by Britton “LHiNC change the NRP Phase I revolving loan program to fund loans with a maximum length of 5 years and allow CEE to determine to shorten when appropriate.”* Graber-Mitchell stated the purpose of this change was to revolve the loan dollars quicker. Evans raised concerns regarding the change and therefore Graber-Mitchell withdrew his motion.

Southwest Community Ed Request. Foster stated SW Community Ed was looking for a letter of support endorsing their application for a Waste Reduction grant. No arguments and therefore Foster and Jaglo will write the letter of support.

Festival. There was discussion regarding sign-up for arrival/departure times along with updates.

Silent Auction. Updates from Evans.

New business. None.

Adjournment.

Submitted by LHiNC Coordinator Rae Ann Vandeputte, May 30, 2006.

Board secretary

Date

Board co-chair

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