

LINDEN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Minutes of the regular meeting, November 14, 2006

Present: Bill Idzorek, Deb Pierce, Debbie Evans, Jennifer Yates Borger, John Reinan, Jon Skibbe, Kathy Urberg, Linea Palmisano, Nancy Nelson, Randy Smith, Spencer Deinard

Absent: Ben Kolkman, Larry LaVercombe, Mike Lucas

Also attending: Rae Ann Vandeputte, Betsy Hodges, Dan Haugen

Meeting called to order by Coordinator Vandeputte.

Approval of agenda and October minutes. One change needed in minutes removing last sentence from 9-11 summary.

Vote on 2006-07 Officers. Reviewed the articles and bylaws with information pertaining to officers. Discussion regarding co-chair position being shared or intended as one person being the leader; the consensus was it was more of an owned position. The candidates each spoke for one minute. A ballot vote occurred and the following officers were elected for 2006-07: Jennifer Yates Borger and Linea Palmisano as Co-Chairs, Bill Idzorek as Treasurer and Ben Kolkman as Secretary.

City Council report. Hodges updated the group on the Mayor's report, Ward 13 Budget meeting Tuesday, November 25, and Edina Transportation Report being available on the web. Instant Runoff Voting vote passed, therefore the city is determining how this will occur in either 2009 or 2013.

Park report. Vandeputte, on behalf of Holtey. Winter sports registration is open. Winter park program registration begins December 11. Thanks to LHiNC for their support of Halloween at the Hills, it was very well attended.

Policy Board Electors. A *motion* was made by Yates Borger and seconded by Idzorek, "John Reinan and Nancy Nelson will be LHiNC's electors in the NRP Policy Board Election". The motion was approved with 9 yeas, Reinan and Evans abstaining.

Budget & Finance Committee. The October receipts journal was submitted to the secretary. A *motion* was made by Idzorek and seconded by Yates Borger, "All new officers will be designated as check signers." The motion was approved unanimously. Idzorek also noted that LHiNC conducts business at US Bank located at 50th and France in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Coordinator's report. Reviewed by Vandeputte (see attached).

Committee Review. A *motion* was made by Reinan and seconded by Yates Borger, "Change the name of Commercial Business and Commercial Property (CB/CP) committee to Sustainable Community Connections Committee and change the name of Festival Committee to Fundraising Committee" Discussion occurred and some felt the

new CB/CP name was too general in nature. Reinan removed his motion and an ad hoc committee was formed to discuss the issue further including Yates Borger, Reinan, Urberg, Pierce and Palmisano. Evans noted it was important to include the businesses in on the vote as well. The group also discussed changing the Committee name of Education and Environment to only Environment; Urberg will discuss with the committee in January.

Reading of Global Warming Statement. Pierce presented a shortened version of the Global Warming Statement approved by the LHiNC board on September 5, 2006. That statement will be posted on the organizations website.

Remodeled Home Tour. Vandeputte, on behalf of Kolkman, gave the board an overview of the 2007 Remodeled Home Tour. Kolkman would like the board to choose a *cause* that would receive all proceeds from the tour. The group was asked to consider some causes for a vote in December.

New business

- Nelson raised concern regarding earlier discussion regarding removing the word Education from the Environment Committee name in that our organization should be educating our neighborhood on all issues. Vandeputte stated the term Education was intended as a direct link with local schools and not a general term that could pertain to the Environment Committee; the committee is not currently working with the schools on non-environment related projects.
- Urberg made a *motion*, seconded by Yates Borger, “LHiNC approve \$1,200 from the Hendry Matching Fund to pay for two benches to be installed in the front of the park building.” Evans made a friendly amended, seconded by Yates Borger, “note it is from the 2006 Hendry Match Fund”. Urberg accepted the friendly amendment. The motion passed with 10 yeas and 1 nay (Deinard).
- Vandeputte noted Loney resigned from the board; therefore a notice will be placed in the *Linden Hills Line*, the neighborhood website and November e-newsletter requesting new applicants. That position will be appointed by the board at the December meeting.
- Send all agenda items to Yates Borger.

Adjournment.

Submitted by LHiNC Coordinator Rae Ann Vandeputte, December 1, 2006.

Board secretary

Date

Board co-chair

Date