

June NEPNA meeting

6/8/23

Attendance:

Sean French
Katie Kottenbrock
Nicolle Toth
September Luitjens
Kate Lawson
Mandy Tempel
Christie Nelson - MPD - christie.nelson@minneapolismn.gov
Rashid Ali - Crime prevention specialist - Abdirashid.ali@minneapolismn.gov
Krissy Sorensen
Luna McIntyre
Jerry Caron
Walter Grivna
Laurie Anderson
Kristin Petersen
Billy Menz

Agenda:

1. Presentation from MPD Crime Prevention Specialist
2. Update from Park Board Commissioner
3. Board officer elections
4. Equitable Engagement outreach planning
5. Open time for neighborhood questions

Presentation from MPD Crime Prevention Specialist

- Presentation by Rashid Ali and Christine Nelson on neighborhood crime, low vehicle theft (2) issues with Kia's and Hyundai's, fair amount of shoplifting due to quarry, ours is one of the quieter neighborhoods.
- September brought up people doing donuts in the Sociable parking lot late at night

Board officer elections:

1. Treasury - Laurie Anderson
2. Secretary - Sean French, September Luitjens as back-up
3. Board Co-chairs - Katie Kottenbrock and Luna McIntyre

Equitable Engagement Fund:

Request for proposal template review - no one had any issues

Update from Billy Menz - Parks Board Commissioner

- Sand pits filled in with turf this month (June), fenced off but paths should be accessible. They are hoping to put in a small dog park in NE park. More funding coming from the state for the parks board.
- Currently there is a dog park earmarked for Beltrami
- Mandy talked about working with the park board, Yingwa, and NEPNA on possibly making a nature space or playground for older kids
- Talk about bringing the sand volleyball courts and basketball courts back
- Billy requested that we have a community conversation to happen at the end of June or beginning of July that he would host and/or for NEPNA to engage the community and help determine what we should pursue for park improvements, maybe through a survey.