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Board of Directors Meeting
Citizens for a Loring Park Community (CLPC)
Monday, November 10, 2008; 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Loring Park Community Center

Board members present: Robert Hansen, Dick Sandberg, John Van Heel, Becky Gullickson, Ed Newman, Pat Hafvenstein, Gary Gliem

Board members absent: Richard Gardell, Neil Carlson

Guests : Jan Sandberg

Staff: Jana Metge, CLPC Executive Coordinator

I. Call to Order -- John Van Heel

Motion Dick Sandberg, seconded Becky Gullickson, to approve the agenda.

Motion passed

Motion Dick Sandberg, seconded Ed Newman, to approve the minutes for September 8, 2008 and October 13, 2008.

Motion passed

II. 6:10 – 6:40 p.m Announcements

- Community Sing-a-Long: The next SING-ALONGs are November 13th and December 11th in the Loring Park Community Arts Center, 7:00 - 8:30 PM.
- Holiday Curry Dinner: Thursday, December 4th from 5:00-9:00 p.m. at the World Mission Prayer League – 228 Clifton Ave. (top of the Hill!!)
- Light Up Loring : Wed., December 10th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- NRP Policy Board elections are set for November 20, 2008.

III. 6:40-7:10 p.m. Loring Park Neighborhood NRP Phase II Ten Year Action Plan – John van Heel

a. Review of NRP Policy Board approval

Jana reviewed the NRP Board meeting that discussed the Phase II plan. John van Heel led off with an overview, Dick Sandberg handled the Land Use section, Gail Baez (Hennepin County) reviewed the Downtown 100, Robert Cook described work on Nicollet Avenue, Kim Havey covered both the Phase I review and sustainability, and Diane Moe was in attendance to answer park questions. There were just a few questions but lots of positive comments. John and Jana felt that tying the elements of the plan to the City's goals was a big plus.

b. Final approval – remaining steps

After approval by the NRP Policy Board, the plan will be forwarded to the City Council's Community Development agenda, then to Ways and Means, and then the full City Council. After City Council approval, it will be published, and then CLPC can start to write contracts based on the plan.

The final plan will be posted on the CLPC Web site.

c. Phase II Plan implementation

Once the funds are available, the committees can start to address items in the plan. It would be a good idea to identify a top few items for each committee.

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As part of Downtown 100, there is a court watch segment. There is training available – dates will be posted on the CLPC Web site.

IV. 7:10-7:35 Loring Greenway - Fiscal Agent Letter of Agreement

Jana reported that Merry Keefe and Richard Anderson are now the point people for the Greenway Committee.

Discussion included that the committee was not yet incorporated. Is the committee working on becoming a 501 (c) (3)? Jana noted that this sort of relationship does happen in other neighborhoods. One problem is that donations are not being made out properly to CLPC with notation to Greenway.

A group will meet with Merry to discuss last month's Board action. At that meeting, the Board discussed the 3 percent fee and how this would be calculated. The Board does not want to use this arrangement as a money making proposition. The motion authorized a restricted line item for the purpose of receiving funds for the betterment of the Greenway with expenditures to be approved by the CLPC Treasurer and reported to the CLPC Board.

There is a joint meeting of the Greenway Committee, CLPC, and the Friends of Loring Park on Thursday, November 13, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. at the Loring Park Community Center to discuss issues pertaining to the park.

V. 7:35 – 8:00 p.m. CLPC Organizational Planning -- John van Heel

a. 2009 budget

Jana sent around a draft budget last week. There are still a lot of unknowns with money from the City – how much, whether by formula – that won't be known until February or so. So things are a bit tentative right now appears to have less funding than needed to support a full budget. One option is to put together a budget for the first six months and plan to amend it when more is known. Cash flow to the end of the year is workable. The Board will need to determine if it needs another fund raising campaign. This will be reviewed in December at which time the Board hopes to approve a full year or half year budget, reviewed in advance at an Executive Committee meeting.

b. Board recruitment & leadership

John has served for six years and finds he needs time for several career-related projects and will not seek another term as Board chair. The Board discussed recruitment options including bringing in more representatives from the institutions.

VI. 8:15 – 8:30 p.m. Committee Reports, Other Business -- John van Heel

A claim was filed through Worker's Comp and the Loring Park Office Building's insurance to cover the expenses for Jana's claim following her fall and hospitalization.

Adjourned 8:00 p.m.