

## **SNO Annual Meeting Minutes**

April 26, 2021 • Zoom\* • 7 - 9 pm

\*Join the Zoom meeting online with the link <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5541355413">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5541355413</a> or call in to (312)626-6799 with Meeting ID: 55413 55413.

#### 7:00 - 7:10pm Welcome and Introductions

Tech Overview, Recording (Charlotte)
Share Voting Link: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KP57KLW">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KP57KLW</a>

Introductions of current SNO Board & Staff

Britta - she/her outgoing Vice President

Carin - current President

Seaen - outgoing Treasurer

Sean - he/him Board Member

Caleigh she/her Board Member

Kaylee - she/her current Secretary

Joy - she/her Board Member

Charlotte - she/they SNO staff

30 people joined, including a few new board members!

### 7:10 - 7:30pm City Council Member – Ward 3 | Steve Fletcher

- Great news hung onto all 8 congressional seats in Minnesota - neighborhoods can take credit.
- 2. As a state, over half of Minnesotans have at least one dose of the vaccine. Now we need people to sign up because there are appointments all over the place.
- 3. As we think about returning, I authored the Right to Relief bill
- 4. Made significant rent assistance available. Trying to help as many people as we can get caught up.
- 5. We lowered the speed limit to 20mph all over Minneapolis.
- 6. Awful rollercoaster of a week between the trial and the murder of Daunte Wright. Give people an opportunity to vote on a new public safety structure.

Question from Joy: What is your relationship with Jacob Frey and how do you think his tenure has been?

Steve: Want to maintain separation in a neighborhood organization, Steve is willing to talk privately. There has been tension between the Mayor and the council.

Question from Marina wondering what your vision is for the new development?

Steve: Includes 41 deeply affordable units

Concern is that development will ruin the arts culture in Northeast.

Question from Adam: What else we can help you with to reduce the speed of drivers in our neighborhood

Steve: Intersection by Red Stag will be getting traffic slowing methods. Introduced ballards to calm traffic for this year. Are interested if there are particular places to introduce calming strategies. Keep in touch with my office if you have any ideas.

#### Senator - District 60 | Kari Dziedzic

We have five weeks left in session. Only divided legislature. the Senate Majority Leader says its a budget year and we need to focus on passing the budget but I have spoken on the floor about protecting people who do not feel safe.

A lot of good things in the bill that passed but it did not include police accountability or reform. Renthelpmn.org

We still are 50000 housing units short throughout the state.

Working hard to push our Republican colleagues to get something done.

The Northern Metals fire last week - council members and I were on a call and are continuing to work on that and figure out a way to shut them down and have them move.

Sen.Kari.Dziedzic@senate.mn

### House Representative - District 60A | Sydney Jordan

We are debating the health and human services bill. We're talking about child care assistance because of the astronomical costs. Passed a number of omnibus bills.

Passed a bill on police accountability. it doesn't go as far as I would like or that a lot of you are demanding.

Feel free to email me at: rep.sydney.jordan@house.mn

#### 7:30 - 7:45pm **Year in Review**

Slideshow

Sheridan Support Network For Covid 19 - connected volunteers and donations with people who requested support. Distributed over \$2000.

Covid - partnered with Eastside Neighborhood Services, Bottineau Neighborhood and Hennepin Healthcare and hosted testing sites. 550+ tests, 221 flu vaccines

Encampment Support - brought food and supplies and dinner to welcome those in the encampments.

Pierre Bottineau Library - built and distributed 200 books and literacy kits to neighbors.

Home Supply Kits - applied for \$500 Microgrant to buy sustainable housing supplies for neighbors living in Friendly Manor.

T-shirt Fundraiser: Raised almost \$1000 and distributed funds to neighbors in need. T-shirts are still available.

Neighborhood Cleanup Days: Had 4 great clean ups around the neighborhood.

Adopt-a-Drain: contest that ran from May-October. We didn't win but

we cleaned 200lbs of trash that would have gone into the Mississippi.

Anti-Racist Book Club: Conor Hesch donated 50 books. We hosted the author David Lawrence Grant to talk about his passage in the book A Good Time For The Truth

Pop Up Plant Giveaway: Short notice but gave away over 1000 plant starts and had over 100 people show up.

Census 2020: We did a lot of work for the census - received engagement grant to buy yard signs. We also door knocked and tabled to promote participation. Had 75% response rate this year.

Contributions: SNO voted to give funds to the Lizard Lounge at ESNS and the Memorial to Survivors of Sexual Violence opened last fall.

Community Gardens: 2,300lbs produce grown and donated to Every Meal. Two locations in Sheridan run by staff from Dangerous Man.

Home Loans: Two different programs - Fix & Paint which is a \$5000 matching grant for any project in your house. Emergency Deferred: \$5000 emergency loan for your house but it requires an inspection.

Neighborhood Name Change: Started committee to change the name of the neighborhood. Did an initial survey to see who supports changing the name. Performing outreach to get our communities support and input before we make any decisions.

7:45 - 8:00pm

Board Elections (Charlotte)
Additional Nominations & Voting
Announce Results
Thank leaving Board Members

Open up the floor if anyone wants to nominate themselves or anyone else as an alternate. No one volunteered.

If you have not yet voted for the board, you can do it now online. If not online, you can say your votes out loud. All voted.

#### New board members:

- Dolores Cano-Martinez
- Lila Diver
- Marina Duchesneau
- Sam Palmer
- Amy Peterson
- Michael Rosenberg
- Maryjo Vickers

#### Re-elected board members:

- Kaylee Bond
- Carin Peterson
- Caleigh Souhan
- Joy Smallfield

### Leaving board members:

- Britta Dornfeld
- Seaen Kosmides
- Sean Wall

Congratulations to everyone and to our new board members!

#### 8:00 - 8:15pm

### **Community Vote on Plan Modification** (Carin)

Why are we moving funds? Neighborhoods2020

- Sent out a 21 Day Notice about moving \$82,000 from Reserve to
- Engagement and \$11613.49 from Reserve to Raingardens
- -There is a new contract with the city of Minneapolis called

Neighborhoods 2020 so we are moving funds into priorities so we can use those funds.

What will they be used for? Budget

Poll Vote, Verbally for those who cannot use poll or chat

Vote received 100% approval from 20+ voting members

#### 8:15 - 8:25pm

## **Volunteer & Business of the Year Awards** (Joy)

- Volunteer of the Year Award: Sam Niesen of Exploration High School
- Business of the Year Award: Curiosity

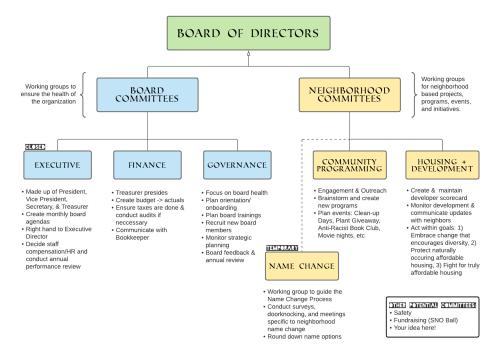
### 8:25 - 8:40pm Open Mic: Community Questions and Comments

- Polish church north of Sheridan burned down and is fundraising
- Sikoras is closing at the end of May

## 8:40 - 8:55pm Announcements and Upcoming Events

New Committees & ways to get involved

 Join a committee to get more involved!! There are Board committees and Neighborhood Committees: all are welcome to join.



Neighborhood Cleanup Days: 3rd Saturday of every month

- Keep an eye out for sign up links.

## Ward 3 City Council Candidate Forum (Carin)

- Ward 3 City Council Candidate Forum: Monday, May 10 from 7-8:30pm
- Please submit questions if you have them to vote@lwvmpls.org

Sheridan Memorial Park Opening TBD (Carin)

## 8:55 - 9:00pm Close-Out & Adjourn

Close out words: Encouraged, ENTHUSIASTIC!, Excited, Thankful,

## Energized, Hopeful, Honored.

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