



WEST SEVENTH STREET / FORT ROAD FEDERATION

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D9 Fort Road Federation Board of Directors Meeting February 9, 2026

This meeting was held at Gatherings at Station 10, 754 Randolph Avenue, St Paul, MN 55102 (Hybrid).

Call to order – 7:04 pm by Meg Duhr, President

Introductions (name and neighborhood)

A. Board Members Present

- Meg Duhr, President
- Andrew Greenlee, Treasurer
- Sara Fleetham, Secretary
- Korinne Dennis, Area 1 Coordinator
- Kelsey Peterson, Area 2 Coordinator
- Moz Rude, Area 2 Coordinator
- Seth Smiglewski, Area 3 Coordinator
- JB Shank, Area 3 Coordinator
- Tanya Fabyanske Beck, At-Large Coordinator
- Jenna Bowman, At-Large Coordinator

B. Community Members Present

- Suzanne Wint
- Kathleen Conger
- Jane McClure

C. Staff Members Present

- Julia McColley, Executive Director

Community Input

D. Public Comment (open floor)

- Report potholes to potholes@ci.stpaul.mn.us
- St. Paul Regional Water Services – if you get an inquiry about lead pipe replacement, responds asap. Limits to funding and time available.
- Baby Rock's first day in the 'hood. Congratulations, Maggie

E.

F. Guest: Kathleen Conger, W 7th Library

- Hold system – takes 2-3 days if on shelf of other library
- Programs always free
- Collaboration and ideas from Keystone: creative class, tarot cars, memoir writing
- Monthly family movies will return when heat is fixed and/or when it is warmer
- Library not open on weekends, W 7th Community Center is not open on weekend
- How are neighborhood/library boundaries/population measured?



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G. Treasurer's Report by Andrew Greenlee

- Grants are spread out the year, can make it look like we are behind. Tracking on pace. Assets up from last year.

MOTION: Accept January Financial Report
Moved by Meg *Seconded by JB* *Motion passes.*

H. Secretary's Report

- December Minutes

MOTION: Approve January Board Meeting Minutes
Moved by Meg *Seconded by JB* *Motion passes.*

Old Business

A. Grant Update by Julia McColley

- Received all 2025 money. Work plan submitted. Waiting on 2026 contract.
- Trusted Messenger – Garage sale May 30, 31, Garden Tour in June
- Neighborhood Star – waiting to sign
- AirNet – greater Eastside, Payne Phalen, Union Park
- Commercial Corridor – Banners, Round 2 met before this meeting – tree pits, baskets, brochure update
- Community Air Monitoring – shipping delays waiting on install
- Jaycees – Money awarded for 2026 –Happy Hour – Joe and Stans in March
- Capital regional watershed – April 26 spring cleanup
- MPCA Climate Grant – pending on 2
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- Questions regarding money vs. density, length of corridor

B. Committee Reports

- Community Outreach and Fundraising Committee
 - a) March Happy Hour
 - b) Spring Cleanup
 - c) Annual Meeting – get new to the neighborhood people, lean on each other, Summit open a little later.
- Transportation and Land Use Committee by Meg Duhr
 - a) Board letter to Met Council re: #54 ARBT. Met Council meeting in March

MOTION: Submit of Letter of Support to make #54 next ARBT project.
Moved by Meg *Seconded by JB* *Motion passes.*

- b) W 7th Project Meeting with Sean last week, this week – MN DOT New Project Manager Chris Bower (previously worked on Robert Street)
- c) Asked MN DOT about speed on Smith Bridge/High Bridge



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- d) CIB – pedestrian safety Randolph and Bay, Dousman Park Playground
- e) Bennett's Letter of Support Ask – did not pass Planning Board. Bennett's will appeal

MOTION: Follow up via email: motion was to provide a letter of support for the appeal to the City Council on 3/4/26

Moved by Moz Seconded by Kelsey Motion passes.

- C. Immigrant Enforcement in W 7th Discussion
 - Small business support, costs up, share posts
 - Start a fund? What is involved – ramifications, how awarded
 - North End hosted a Know Your Rights – should we host something similar

New Business

- A. Call for Governance Committee
 - Term limit language – meet before next board meeting
- B. W 7th Library discussion – 2018 - \$14,000,000 money for library system only \$80,000 went to W 7th Library
- C. West 7th Arts District MOU

MOTION: Send Memorandum of Understanding to W 7th Arts District

Moved by Meg Seconded by Kelsey Motion passes.

- D. **President's Report** by Meg Duhr
 - Covered in other areas
- E. **Executive Directors Report** by Julia McColley
 - Garden Agreement signed
 - Election coming up. Let Julia know if you are up for election and if you will be running

Adjourn – 8:30 pm - Next meeting is March 9, 7:00 pm