

## **Minutes: Loring Greenway Association Board of Directors**

October 8, 2025

Directors Present: John Van Heel, Lee Frelich, Sue Jones, Laura Mattson, Tina Jones, Mary Meier,

Gay Russell-Dempsey, Richard Anderson

Meeting called to order at 5:05pm

Approval of meeting agenda. Moved and seconded. Approved by Directors.

Approval of previous meeting minutes. Moved and seconded. Approved by Directors.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Financial/Fund Raising- Laura**

- Laura shared that we have \$67,000 in the bank right now. This year we have raised \$38,286.40. Last year we raised \$26,490. We'd like to get to \$40,000. The number of units in each of the buildings varies quite a bit. A five-year giving history of each association is calculated.

- The PayPal account has been reactivated by Monica Marx, and we will soon have Venmo on the Donor Page.

The October 4 Financial Accounting is on the Website (Summer has not been paid yet).

- Laura enters all donations and sends acknowledgements =

[Info@LoringGreenway.org](mailto:Info@LoringGreenway.org). She went back five years

to ascertain who is giving. Shout out to Kurt Weidenhammer!

- Hyatt is now donating \$4500 to LGA. We should probably ask for \$5,000
- Greenway Gables approved their donation for 2026. Judy will know the amount.
- A Mail Blast will go out after Thanksgiving.

#### **Infrastructure/Planning- John**

- The Playground is in its second week of construction. Public Works and Contractors estimate two

to three more weeks for completion. There has been a complication with utility locations under the playground.

- An opening Celebration has been suggested, but the question is when? October is probably too soon. It may

Be a good idea to wait until spring. Most members agree it would be best to wait.

- We are still waiting for maintenance funding. There is \$5,000 left over from the Playground Donation.

- Our Budget Goal must be done by December 10 of this year.
- Still no solution for funding of needed electrical work. The 2027 project plans to address the final pricing, but no source of money obtained.
- Issues/concerns on Fall Walkthrough with Mary, Laura, Dave Bauer, Public Works revealed issues with steps, shoveling of sidewalks, weeds, weeds, weeds, trash in fountain and on Nic Mall, and drain near coleus garden
  - Tina Jones is heading up the effort to be proactive with the city Greenway redo.

### **Fundraising**

- Ron Fiscus believes that 1200 on the Mall may want to donate to LGA. John suggested that Gardening Volunteers talk To their various Condo Boards about the importance of supporting our Greenway.
- Laura and Jo are working on new approaches to Fundraising.
- The idea of an end-of-season plant give away was brought up again by Sue, Tina, and Gay—digging up annuals while they are still viable (some perennials too) and offering them to neighbors on a given day.

### **Events**

- The Hyatt event went well. Good idea to offer a “Tip Jar’ at the event.

### **Gardening-Mary**

- Saturday Gardening is October 18. Sue and her crew are doing an inventory on tools, etc.
- Summer has met with gardeners to plan for Fall issues and Spring planting.
- Two new gardens are expected to join us.
- Something to do next year= put up hummingbird feeders.

### **Trees-Lee**

- Lee plans to do a walkthrough with the Forester in October or November. There are three dead Aspen, plus another to deal with.
- The Park Board requires a ten-foot distance between buildings and tree branches. We may need a lot of tree trimming this winter.
- Treatments will be needed on Ash Borer and other trees next year. Mary would like to “look into cost.”
- Discussion concerning placement of Ray Harris Family trees.

### **Looking Ahead**

- February is our annual meeting—a good time for a Board Retreat to discuss goals, fundraising, and gardening.

John suggests adding a meeting to accommodate specific subjects/ideas. Sue urges that we need a Written Budget

with specific numbers before our Next meeting. While the bank balance fluctuates, it is generally around \$80,000-

but the total has been shrinking. A good fundraiser could boost the total. A big expense is Summer's payout.

- We will need a list of our Officers at our annual meeting on February 11.

- We need a document elaborating LGA's insights relative to the city's 2031 Capital Improvement Project, which

should provide information about our resources, projects, concerns, wish lists, and public works maps of our area.

We should ask Bob Conlin to help with this.

- Our irrigation has a life span—get info on this. The pyramid tiles are breaking and not getting replaced. Check

With Claire Selkurt, as she has an idea where to find a good match.