



## **LGA Board of Directors Meeting**

April 10, 2019

110 W. Grant, Community Room

**Board Members Present** – Richard Anderson, Pat Davies, Nicholas Deacon, Lee Frelich, Linda Luksan, Karen Lund-Brust, Mary Maier, Laura Mattson, Claire Selkurt, Margy Troje-Meade, John Van Heel

**Call to Order** – Nick called the meeting to order at 5:07 PM.

**Last Meeting's Minutes** (Nick) – It was MOVED and SECONDED that the minutes of the March 2019 meeting be approved. Motion CARRIED.

**Financial Report** (Richard) – We will review the first quarter's financials at next month's meeting. If we receive any cash donations, Richard or Linda will make sure they get deposited, rather than mailing them to the CPA for deposit.

### **Committee Reports –**

**Communications** (Laura) – 80 t-shirts for volunteers are ready for distribution by the Gardening Committee. The gardening handout card will be printed in time for our first gardening Saturday later this month. Linda posted the 2018 annual report to our website on April 1.

**Events** (Karen) – Oktoberfest will be one of the last two Saturdays in September, pending availability of the desired band. We will miss Gillian's involvement and look forward to meeting her replacement.

**Fundraising** (Richard) – Richard and Laura are preparing the materials for mailing at the end of April.

**Gardening** (Mary) – See Appendix for the Gardening Committee report.

**Infrastructure** (John) – The date for the walkthrough with Public Works has been pushed to May. Planters, irrigation and accessible route signage are our priorities to discuss during the walkthrough. John will also contact Nicholas Ngo, who is responsible for addressing ADA issues in the city. Additional topics on the committee's radar screen include maintenance of the aging tiles (which are frequently damaged by snowplows during winter) and scooter traffic.

**Old Business** (Nick) – To facilitate progress towards working with Green Minneapolis (GM), the board should develop a list of specific needs with which GM could help. To date, Merry, John, Pat and Mary have had informal conversations about a potential alliance. It was MOVED and SECONDED to create an ad hoc committee to address this initiative. Motion CARRIED. Board members voiced support for Merry chairing the new committee.

**New Business** (Nick) – Mary Alyce has recruited several Loring Green West residents to assist the LGA by serving on its committees. Linda and Richard are joining them next week to discuss potential areas of mutual interest and need. Nick encourages other board members to follow Mary Alyce's lead in attracting new committee participants.

**Adjournment** – 6:09 PM

**Next Board Meeting** – Wednesday, May 8, 5:00 PM, 110 W. Grant, Community Room

## APPENDIX

### LGA Garden Committee Meeting Minutes (4/8/19)

Present: Fred Aden, Claire Selkurt, Marsha Weidenhammer, Richard Anderson, Mary Alyce Krohnke, Lee Frelich, Becca Gross, Peggy MacRae, Mary Maier

- 2019 Garden Orders- Becca reviewed the 2019 orders. A discussion took place regarding specific garden plans, shed area landscaping and mulching needs.
- Trees- Rainbow- Rainbow Tree Care has submitted a proposal for fertilizing half of the trees on the Greenway. Lee will schedule a walk thru with Rainbow to make sure we have an updated tree count & to discuss the fertilization schedule. Lee also discussed 2019 pruning needs and scheduling of pruning.
- Shed Hardscape & Landscaping- Mary, Richard & Becca met with Bryan Winick, landscaper, to discuss the hardscape landscaping of the shed area. We also discussed additional 2019 landscape plans for the Greenway. Bryan is tentatively scheduled to complete the work the last weekend in April and the first weekend in May.
- Target Volunteers- A group of 25 Target volunteers are scheduled for Friday, May 10, from 1:00- 4:00 and an additional group of 50 Target Volunteer Council volunteers are scheduled for Friday, May 17, 25 from 9:00- 12:00 & 25 from 1:00- 4:00. The May 10 volunteers will distribute the tables and chairs, replace the bent hoop fencing and complete clean up and prep for the May 17 volunteers. The May 17 volunteers will help with planting in preparation for the Saturday Gardeners on May 18.
- Volunteer T-Shirts Distribution- The t-shirt order have arrived and we will begin distribution of t-shirt on the first Saturday Gardening Day on April 20.
- LGA Handouts- At the request of Laura Mattson, Chair of the LGA Communications Committee, we discussed 2019 changes to the handout and Mary will passed on the suggestions to Laura Mattson.
- 2019 Saturday Gardening Day Coordinators- Merry Keefe and Peggy MacRae will act as coordinators. Peggy will make sure that the signs are put out in advance to advertise the gardening day.
- Saturday Gardening Day Treats- Marsha will explore if there is any interest with residents in 1225 to provide treats for the Saturday Gardening Days.
- Plant Labels 2019- Peggy is compiling plant lists for the labels and will complete when she has the lists.
- Adopt-a-Garden- The Adopt-a-Garden Program is going well and expanding each year. There is a listing of current needs which will be filled with some additional volunteers.

- 2019 Saturday Gardening Dates (3<sup>rd</sup> Sat of Month)- April 20, May 18, June 15, July 20, Aug 17, Sept 21, Oct 19, Nov 16
- Irrigation- Mary is working with John Van Heel, Chair of the LGA Infrastructure Committee, to make sure that the city repairs and turns the irrigation system by May 3.
- Gertens- Becca, Richard & Mary will be listed with Gertens to purchase plants on behalf of LGA.
- Miscellaneous- Mary Alyce & Richard are planning a presentation by Frank Martin, landscape architect, on Sunday, June 9, at 1:00 about the history and architecture of the Greenway. The presentation will be in the LGW Entertainment Center and LGW and LGE residents, LGA Board Members and Garden Committee members will be invited.
- Next meeting date- to be determined.

Submitted by Mary Maier