



LGA Board of Directors Meeting
November 13, 2019
110 W. Grant, Community Room

Board Members Present – Richard Anderson, Pat Davies, Larry Clausen, Nicholas Deacon, Lee Frelich, Greg Gaut, Merry Keefe, 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 5:00 PM.

Last Meeting's Minutes – It was MOVED and SECONDED that the minutes of the October 2019 meeting be approved. Motion CARRIED.

Committee Reports and Proposed 2020 Expense Budgets –

Communications – Laura is investigating alternatives to the handout cards for next year.

Fundraising – The fall fundraising letter will be mailed December 2. The Hyatt's donation was received last month. Karen and Mary will follow up with the Hyatt to document their in-kind gifts this year. Greg reported on the successful Loring Green West fundraising social held earlier this month, at which the new slide show was shown and well-received. Timely recording of donations in Little Green Light continues to be a challenge, due to our current CPA's response time with reports. Richard and Laura will convene a meeting of the committee to develop the 2020 fundraising income budget and the strategies for achieving it.

Gardening – The final Volunteer Gardening Saturday of the year is this weekend. The Target Volunteer Council is considering renewing their support next year.

Events – The committee needs a chair if we're going to hold events next year. Nick will talk with Nettie about chairing the committee, to at least work with the Hyatt to organize the donor/volunteer recognition reception. Karen offered to help with reception preparations.

Infrastructure – The Loring Greenway is a mixed-use trail that is a unique property in Public Works' domain. The tile damage by skateboarders remains a major problem. John presented accessibility signage concepts that are ready for implementation. Larry and Greg volunteered to join the committee. Claire reported on her tile research; she is meeting with Tiles Squared in northeast Minneapolis to discuss feasibility and get a pricing estimate. Claire also is exploring the idea of having students at the Minneapolis College help create banner designs for the Loring Greenway as part of their coursework. Greg reported the current bistro furniture count: 19 tables and 58 chairs. Loring Green West has agreed to continue storing the furniture over the winter.

Safety – Larry proposed printing generic LGA business cards for board members' use to hand out when appropriate.

Green Minneapolis – The next meeting is Wednesday, November 20, at 2 PM in the 110 W. Grant Community Room. All board members are welcome to participate.

A summary of the committee chairs and their 2020 proposed expense budgets are as follow:

Committee	2020 Chairperson(s)	2020 Proposed Expense Budget
Communications	Laura	\$825
Events	TBD	\$2,000
Executive	Nick	\$6,000
Fundraising	Richard and Laura	\$3,800
Gardening	Mary	\$33,500
Infrastructure	John	\$3,250
Safety	Larry	\$50
TOTAL		\$49,425

Annual Report – Committee chairs are to send their 2019 reports to Linda by the end of December. All board members are to send their total NON-gardening volunteer hours for the year to Linda.

Officer Election – Any board member interested in serving as an officer in 2020 should let Nick know.

New Board Member Orientation – Nick will organize this for January, in conjunction with the annual election of board members and officers and in lieu of a regular board meeting. He is looking for volunteers to help plan the meeting agenda.

Adjournment – 6:34 PM

Next Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 5:00 PM, 110 W. Grant, Community Room