



**Shingle Creek Neighborhood Association  
SCNA Board Meeting Minutes  
October 9, 2018 6:30-8:00pm  
Creekview Park, Minneapolis MN 55430**

**Board member attendees:** Larry Bontreger(C), Jeff Strand (VC), Bella Anderson(e), Jean Hawkins-Koch(u), Lori Thayer, Fred Statema, Julie Voight, Jared Voight(e), Patty West, Carol McCrillis Guest: Senator Bobby Joe Champion, Mike Fox (Creekview Park), Ms. Deanna Averill, Staff: Amy Luesebrink

- 1. Welcome and call to order by Chair Bontreger at 6:35pm**
- 2. Motion to approve agenda Mr. Statema, Ms. Voight, m-c**
- 3. Guest speakers:**

**a. Senator Champion**

- i. Senator Champion reviews session highlight
- ii. Not up for reelection until 2020
- iii. Thank you for going out to meetings: State of Infrastructure: How do you see going back to capital next session. This year is a budget year. Good year to have the conversation. Got a C and D-, for water we got a C-. This is a way to get our attention so don't ignore it. Hope for dedicated transportation, roads, bridges once election is complete.
- iv. Will do everything he can to support Neighborhood Organizations
- v. Music for the Holidays concert Mpls Convention Center Free and open. Free dinner for 1000 full course meal. December 20th 5:30 concert 7:30pm Tickets.
- vi. Money comes from the state. Important to have a conversation about the neighborhood organizations and not supporting you in the way that they should. I appreciate your words and passion.

**b. Hennepin County**

**a. Irene Fernando introduction**

**ii. Come into politics via community and business leadership instilled a belief in possibilities.** They showed me how to create tradition and instilled a deep value of honoring tradition. It's a unique blend of allows for a different type of service with a unique balance of how can we honor what has come from the rights you provided that I lived my whole life with and then how can I be sure that I'm paving a path where they may not have been a path so we can ensure there is perhaps more rights for those that are to follow.

**iii. Started a nonprofit Students Today, Leaders Forever in college. In 11 years 22,000 students came through the program. In the face of outrageous circumstances we**

are called to lead boldly, to unite a coalition, and to fight even harder for the common good. Currently works at Thrivent Financial.

**iv. I'm running for those who are marginalized or structurally disenfranchised.**

**v. Vision that is inclusive and bold with a lot of listening.**

**vi. Priority: Visibility, Accountability. Housing: Services in more than one way.**

**Child protection services.**

**vii. County Commission has direct line into health.** And plain clothes vs. not. 52% of all evictions in Hennepin County come from two zip codes: 55411, 12. Not interested in incremental changes but bold changes to correct what's taking place today.

**b. Blong Yang assistant**

i. Refuge from Thailand, came here when he was 3

ii. He wants to make sure people know about all the services available from the County. Chair of Public Safety

iii. Has a lot of experience that will translate into the County Commissioner role.

iv. Mr. Yang believes in All are welcome here.

#### **4. Meg Allen's grant proposal:**

i. Is looking to submit for a Action Seed Learning Grant.

ii. Looking for help with roto tiller, shed, and assistance with gardening

iii. Tool lending library is what SCNA is investigating. Cost prohibitive to have MPRB create a storage shed. Another need at the Shingle Creek Commons is the furniture.

iv. Motion to have SCNA Executive Committee to start have a conversation about the possibility of having a tool lending library at Kingsley by Mr. Strand, Ms. West, m-c

#### **5. Consider new potential new board member/s**

a. Deanna Averill has expressed an interest in becoming a new member and accepting the treasurer position.

b. Have lived here for 4 years and 9 days. Bought sight unseen. Didn't even have mortgage signed when moved into the state. Have loved it ever since!

c. Work for the IRS in the Fraud department. Certified Fraud examiner trained at deducting truth. Masters in Finance Management and Accounting

d. Motion to accept Deanna Averill as a new board member, by Mr. Statema, Ms McCrillis, m-c.

e. Motion to accept Ms. Averill to be the Treasurer by Mr. Statema, Ms.Voight, m-c.

f. We thank Mr. Budrul who has moved out of the neighborhood and could no longer serve on the board. And we welcome and make folks feel included. Critical eye is a valuable asset.

g. NCR Board survey was it ever sent beyond the last meeting? SCNA continues to work to reflect the diversity that is in the neighborhood.

#### **6. Create a Community Center Committee Patty West**

a. Committee report and recommendations for Electronic/ Equipment included in the board packet. The Committee talked about possible new furniture for Creekview Park. Asked staff what would work well. Electronic equipment, projectors, podium, smart white boards also considered.

i. Perhaps chairs could come out of the MPRB budget perhaps we can get more assertive to replace chairs at Creekview.

ii. Technology could be used by both SCNA/community. So looking to support that expenditure could fit SCNA's work. Smart board you use pens and write on the board it doesn't stay. Use it like a chalkboard and can capture it.

iii. Pearl Park has a Friends group that is very active.

b. Swimming pool information for lifeguard was posted in the October newsletter. We need to find changes to bring people here. Bringing people in Oct 25th.

c. Open House Oct 25th MPRB Commissioner Severson invited to attend 6-7:30pm

d. Motion to authorize subject to the SCNA Executive Committee concurring for up to \$2500 expenditures fund a cart, smart board, projector, podium, as outlined in the board packet for SCNA's work and 4 chairs to be used at Creekview Park, in association with Create a Community Center, by Mr. Strand, Ms. West, m-c

## **7. SCNA Officers Reports:**

### **a. Treasurer**

#### **i. Monthly report**

i. Finance Committee budget meeting: Profit and Loss and Reconciliation Detail reviewed with board. The Monthly sheet includes an additional check added by bookkeeper for the Insty Prints who was trying to be proactive regarding your monthly expenditures. If you don't want to print a newsletter for December it can be held until next month. Or voided.

ii. Camden News could be a larger venue to have a larger voice to help promote the work of SCNA. The Camden News is mailed to all households.

ii. Mr. Statema moves approval of Treasurer report, Mr. Strand, m-c.

### **b. Secretary**

i. July and Sept 2018 board minutes and CCC committee minutes. Motion to approval of both minutes by Mr. Strand, Mr. Statema, m-c

## **8. Old/New Business:**

**a. Neighborhoods 2020/Mpls 2040 plan** Mr. Strand chosen to work on the Workgroup 2 committee to create recommendations on how is this neighborhood organizations system governed. Mr. Strand is an appointee by the NCEC to the NRP Policy Board. Formerly residents elected those representatives.

i. 3 Workgroups going on right now. For Governance: Form, Storm, Norm, Performing. Getting close to performing phase. Diversity of experience. Those that haven't served on a board to someone who's served long term.

ii. In the past, it's been thoughtful, but now it was a blank slate and people were told, what do you want to see.

iii. Having a commission, having topical(disability, rental, topical), Cultural Committee, separate but equal status. Equity at forefront of this planning effort.

v. Guidelines and funding it seems like the staff was leading the process. Want to see more of the residents driving it. Concerned about residents creating mandates like door knocking every house in neighborhood. Its helpful having neighborhood organization folks to help bring things back to reality because if it were to be implemented it would need to a lot more funding to implement.

**b. Temporary Street like at 51st and Brooklyn Boulevard** is greatly needed. Who do we contact? Staff. 49th Street Closure starting Oct 11.

## **9. Adjourn at 9:00pm**