Windom Board Meeting Minutes

10 October 2019

Attending Board Members: Jacky Junek (P), Becky McIntosh (T), Veronica Walther (VP), Patrick Barrett, Pete Johnson, Pat Soulak (O@L), Steve Rawlins (S), Brian O’Shea, and Michelle Hemingway. All 9 present, with Patrick Barrett joining via Jacky’s phone.

Additional Attendees: Mario Vargas (Administrative Coordinator), Jeremy Schroeder (Ward 11, Minneapolis City Council), Jamie Long (61B State Representative)

Meeting:

1. Jacky called meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
2. Jeremy Schroeder gave us his update from City Hall
3. Healthy Seniors, asking for $90K for 4 non-profits ($360K total). Health fair held on 10/7 at Nokomis Healthy Seniors, 4120 17th Ave S
4. Minneapolis Police Department, results of a detailed, independent audit
   1. Concerns about off-duty jobs using squad cars & being paid by cash
   2. He supports increasing police force, but skeptical that it will apply out in our neighborhoods, so it is a difficult trade-off
5. Vision Zero “eliminate deaths and life-altering injuries on our streets”, evaluating lowering speed limit, another trade-off
6. Jamie Long
   1. Accomplishments (passing budget for biennium, recoup $20M to make MERF whole, Census 2020 funding)
   2. Challenges. Working in a split legislature. Questions from the board about Clean Energy and addressing the Education Performance Gap.
7. Safety – Patrick has obtained the Block Leader list from Windom. We could use to contact Block Leaders, asking them to promote the survey.
8. Events, Pat Soulak reported:
   1. Windom Reads set for Saturday February 1st 2019. Booked 3 authors, book-exchange. Patrick will ask NFB for tactile graph examples.
   2. Tots Rock not set yet, considering March 14th or March 21st
9. Outreach – the Survey questions ready, Brian will write an intro & circulate
   1. Use Jessen to format and mail
   2. Recipients must pay for their own stamp, or complete online, or drop-off at school
10. Since the Oct 5th Litter-be-Gone event was rained-out and has been rescheduled to Saturday 26th October 9-noon
11. Garden: clean-up will be weekend of October 19th/20th Next year, we might arrange for a bio-char info and training session at the April clean-up
12. Jacky suggested a Winter Event, such as a movie night (“Coco”, “Grumpy Old Men”, “Frozen” – something kid friendly) Patrick has a Popcorn contact.
13. Meeting minutes from September 2019 were approved as written and are accepted into the record
14. Jacky reminded us to please vote by email on the Utility Wraps.
15. Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.