



**Kingfield Neighborhood Association  
Board Meeting October 11, 2017  
7-9 PM MLK Park**

**Members in attendance:** Anthony Hsu, Ashley Siljenberg, Dan Swenson-Klatt, David Fenley, Lesa Hudak, Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek, Madelyn Sundberg, Scott Mueller, Hetal Dalal, John Sessler, Aaron Shaffer, Dan Myers, Robert Roedl

**Members absent:**

**Others in attendance:** Sarah Linnes-Robinson (staff), Dean Laite (alternate)

**Meeting Chair:** *David Fenley*

**Meeting Secretary:** *Lisa Skrzeczkoski-Bzdusek*

**Confirmed quorum:** 13 Directors/7:05 PM

**KFNA Board Agenda 10/11/17**

**7:05 Call to Order**—*David Fenley, President*

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- September minutes, Anthony moves to approve. Motion passes with one abstention.

**COMMUNITY FORUM:**

- 1. 1<sup>st</sup> Street Bike Lane:** concern expressed with the amount of parking in bike lane on the weekends. Referred to Redevelopment Committee
- 2. 210 West 46<sup>th</sup> Street Opportunity** (*Robyn Bipes, vp of twin cities habitat and kingfield resident*):

City of Lakes Community Land Trust (CLCLT) is interested in the property. Kingfield could prove load to City of Lakes to do the rehab. We would then recycle those funds maybe with another affordable housing unit.

Redevelopment Committee recommending putting together a deal with CLCLT and then learn through the process and develop something other neighborhoods could model.

CLCLT bought property for \$93,000 and plan on \$330,000 rehab budget. They have a commitment from MN housing for \$90,000. High budget because foundation cause for a complete tear down.

For this to work the Redevelopment Committee talked about a two time payout. Expectation is that the construction can be done and family moved in within a year.

The Recommendation of the Redevelopment Committee is the loan amount would not exceed \$250,000 and an additional \$10,000 grant from KFNA to help with the gap. This number is based on historical grants. Grants were typically \$5000 per unit. Idea for the forgiveness of the interest of the loan if condition of the project are met, including that it's rehabbed and sold within a year. Loan would be paid back at the time the house is sold.

Robert Roedl moves to approve a loan of \$250,000 to CLCLT and Lesa Hudak seconds. *Motion passes unanimously.*

Lesa Hudak moves to give CLCLT up to \$1000 to cover legal fees, Robert Roedl seconds. *Motion passes unanimously.*

Lesa Hudak moves to approve a \$10,000 grant, Ashley Siljeborg. *Motion passes unanimously.*

Madelyn moves that KFNA forgives 5% (\$10,000) of the loan if following conditions met: project completed within a year and income-eligible family moves in within that year, and that the CLCLT follow the design guidelines of the neighborhood. Lesa Hudak seconds. *Motion passes unanimously.*

#### **KFNA BUSINESS:**

- 1. 43<sup>rd</sup> & Nicollet Pedestrian Safety Improvements:** (Sarah Linnes-Robinson)  
Meeting with Shane from the City and Sara Lopez to look at a 4 bump-out model which would mimic the two bump-outs that are currently at the corners but triple the size because of the bus stop. Business Association talked with the businesses about their concerns. Concern with losing bus stops, losing parking, losing business, etc. Businesses do not want to get rid of a bus stop.

Sarah Linnes-Robinson recommends we approve installing the two bump-outs. Dan Myers moves to approve city going forward with installing the two bump-outs. Dan Swenson-Klatt seconds. Motion passes with one opposed.

**2. 3916 Blaisdell Update** (*Sarah Linnes-Robinson*)

Vacant lot on the west side of the street between a 5plex and 3plex. All used to be owned by one property owner that built over lot lines. When property went into foreclosure, they all went separately. KFNA looked at the empty lot but private developer bought it.

Property next to it just poured sidewalk that goes onto the city land. Question is whether the lot is a buildable lot. City says it's a buildable lot.

Nothing needed from the Board right now, just making us aware that we are looking into this again.

**3. Procedural Justice Training Idea** (*Sarah Linnes-Robinson*)

Just a heads up. Cheryl DeGroff spent day with Minneapolis Police being trained as police are in implicit bias. Looking at bringing this to the larger community. Is this something the police should be involved in training the public or should the public train the public? Cheryl can talk more to this at the next meeting.

**GET OUT THE VOTE INITIATIVE** (*Scott Mueller, Dan Myers*)

- Yard signs are being printed. Need people to help prepare and distribute.
- Election day outreach: two tents on November 7<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers.
- Mayoral Forum TOMORROW (10/12) night. Per facebook invite we have 200 people saying they are coming and 600 who are "interested."
- Door-knocking will now start every Saturday from 1:00-3:00. Meet at Butter.

**GREEN PARTNERS COMPOST GRANT** (*Dan Swenson-Klatt*)

- Take the survey
- Should be getting results soon
- Looks like we got grant as well as Lyndale, Field/Regina/Northrup.
- Figuring out how we will increase city pick-up recycling in the neighborhood

**NICOLLET OPEN STREETS THOUGHT** (*Sarah Linnes-Robinson*)

- Number of great things about the event but also a number of challenges besides the heat.
- Contracting was way more difficult with Our Streets. 23 % of Vendors didn't show. Lots of businesses not happy with KFNA because of open streets. Not sure if it is worth contracting with Our Streets again next year.
- Sarah just put out a vendor survey because if they are not happy with it then there is no reason to continue with the event.
- Ashley made the point that value isn't just about the vendors but also just a community bonding event.