

Kingfield Neighborhood Association Board Meeting
12/11/2013 7pm - MLK Park

Present: Hetal Dalal, Jess Alexander, Jim Kumon, Nancy Weiss, Jason Montgomery, David Fenley, Mark Waller, Lisa Skzeczkoski-Bzdusek, Jenny Lock

Absent: Chris Schleicher, Scott Mueller, Ben Rasmussen, Dan Swenson-Klatt

Staff Present: Sarah Linnes-Robinson

Guests: Adam Jonas and Paul Nesleth from Locus Architecture

Call to Order: Hetal Dalal, KFNA President

Guests (Locus) discussed their plan to move their business into Kingfield. They will seek rezoning and will build out the lot on 45th and Nicolette. They left after a short discussion and encouragement from KFNA.

Finances

Q2 Update of finances from Mark - KFNA is on track to break even for the year.
Sarah: \$82,000 contract approved, \$25,000 plan approved from reserve fund.

City appointed accountant that prepares KNFA tax info (990 form) has had ongoing timeliness and accuracy problems. The process is always a last minute scramble. Accountant is not a city employee they are a contractor. Many neighborhood associations have similar problems. KFNA discussed options moving forward and decided that a formal complaint was best saved for next year but it must be done sooner than later. KFNA will give a warning and hope accountant gets it together.

KFNA got \$3600 grant for solar garden. Incentivizes solar energy thru the nonprofit leasing of roof space for energy generation. Sarah predicts that this could be a mess – possible broad solar application depending on the delegation of research. There is demand in KF but Xcel has delayed rebates before and awarded very few to KF residents in a seemingly random process.

Hetal moved, Jim seconded and Board passed it unanimously.

Urban Ag policy

Sarah: No profit can be made from Park properties.

Jim: There is concern of red tape in getting anything done through Park Board.

Hetal: Can KFNA charge \$ to cover costs?

Sarah: Not sure policy needs clarification, what about commercial kitchens i.e. Sabathani?

Playground

Sarah: Jennifer Ringold wants to meet in January about funding.
\$40,000 funding gap

Jim: Park Board outreach not so good

Sarah: Various KFNA 2012 festivals raised \$6k for playground

Annual Board Meeting Recruitment/Thanks meeting for companies

Hetal: Should KFNA invite Brad Bourne?

Programs

Sarah: Park board use of space fee increase could decimate programs. KFNA is immune due to 5013C status.

Money Matrix (picture below)

Hetal: rubric/tool to evaluate KFNA programs as a good use of time and money.

KFNA proceeded to initially evaluate each program using the matrix, taking in to account mission statement. Judson Street fest was the only program that was in question in this evaluation, but KFNA could use the matrix as a tool moving forward to determine relevancy of future programs.

Sarah: KFNA should produce a comprehensive list of programs programs.

Jim: Matrix allows for hard look at what programs do rather than what they are.

Interpretation of KFNA's mission statement was in question during this discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM

Minutes prepared by David Fenley, KFNA Board Member, 1/6/14.

