

Kingfield Neighborhood Association Board Meeting
Dec. 12, 2012 7pm - MLK Park

Present: Jess Alexander, Nate Blumenshine, Scott Borden, Hetal Dalal, Henry Jimenez, Arthur Knowles, Julie Mueller, Scott Mueller, Marshall Onsrud, Victoria Pena, Ben Rasmussen,

Absent: Jim Kumon, Bryan Thornton

Staff Present: Sarah Linnes-Robinson

Attendees: Heidi Coe, Jason Montgomery, David Fenley, Matt Perry, Mike McAncrey, Jesse Vanderbalem

7:06 Call to Order

Scott B, KFNA President, request for volunteer to take minutes:
Julie

Presentation & Q&A: Minneapolis Energy Options

Wade Underwood: Institute for Energy Options,
distributed comprehensive but concise handout

(John Farrel originally scheduled to present, unable to attend
due to scheduling conflict)

Background/history 2 issues: cost to consumer, bigger effects on
planet

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example of local use: Quality Coaches, Kingfield initiative

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(Excel franchise agreement) underestimate opportunities

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electricity

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3 options: status quo, negotiate options, create city owned
utility

4 goals: clean, reliable, affordable, locally owned

misc examples of success of locally owned

utilities/municipalizing

including Rochester and Moorhead

goal: provide city with options to take into contract
negotiations

put measure on ballot to address these issues

sample language for ballot pending

hire of campaign director pending

city council and mayor endorsement is progress

unclear who actually makes final decision
municipality purchases standing infrastructure
difficulty of envisioning how purchase by city actually works
purchase time line and process
request to wrap up at 7:26
sign up sheet for anyone wanting to support issue on ballot
goal is September 2013 to commit support

7:29 Community Forum

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Jason Montgomery, currently living at 1st Ave South: concern re dog park issue, wanting to meet neighbors

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Board Member Action Items:

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Nominations of Board Members to serve on Financial Policy Review Task Force

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Julie requested an uneven number

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8:00 Mosaic Quilting Project

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8:05 Solarize Workshop

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Executive Committee Reports

Secretary—Nov. Minutes taken by Jess Alexander

correct "Bordon" spelling

Treasurer:

Q2 Financial Report

Hetal motion to approve, Jess second

(Signing of the Direct Mail letter in process during meeting)

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Newsletter Committee

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Nate suggests educating residents re process of energy contract renewal

Event Committee

Scott Mueller: update re Lowbrow meeting for home-based business meeting, facebook page, reservations. Volunteers to encourage focused participation re markers and easel/boards: Jess, Victoria, Julie will also be available if needed
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raising \$200,000 by February, matching grant deadline serves, serves 1/4 people in Minnesota living with AIDS
Henry suggests newsletter article on Aliveness Project mission, goals and move
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MLK Legacy Council: in Board packet

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8:34 Arthur moves to adjourn

Ben second, pass without opposition

minutes submitted by Julie Mueller

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