



**Kingfield Neighborhood Association Board Meeting
7/13/22, 7-9pm_Virtual**

Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87164063841?pwd=WWFaSC9pRUtPclFOdFJiU3FKYjRPUT09>

Board Packet Link: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1cgL7Q3GZuW7HZO9wWGN6601qGBkaXs2P>

Members in attendance: *Katie Blanchard, Regina Burstein, Becky Dankowski, Alice Johnson, Josh Martin, Brighton McCormick, Scott Mueller, Travis Norvell, David Robbins, Dave Searl, Todd Shipman, BJ Titus, and Sarah Tschida*

Members absent: *None*

Others in attendance: *Sarah Linnes-Robinson, Mara Wack, Carolyn Stark*

Meeting Chair: *Katie Blanchard*

Meeting Secretary: *Josh Martin*

Confirmed quorum: *Quorum was met at 7:00 PM*

Community Forum Mara Wack, Development and Administration Manager for Neighborhood Roots, presented to the board regarding the Kingfield Farmers Market. Mara does the social media and behind the scenes work. Neighborhood Roots did a reorg during COVID and created Mara's position which is a .5 FTE. Erica is the new Market Manager. It has been difficult for the market over the past COVID years. Planning for an August 7th dual event with KFNA and the Neighborhood Roots. That week is also Natural Farmers Market week.

Carolyn Stark presented to the board regarding Neighbors Against 5G and the expansion of 5G towers in the city, including the Kingfield neighborhood. Alleges that harmful EMF/RF radiation is given off by 5G towers which causes health effects for some individuals. Has been working with Council President Jenkins and State Senator Scott Dibble. New state laws and FCC regulations have made it easier for Verizon to install the towers without normal public hearing processes. Preference of group is to block all 5G towers. States that there are some loopholes with state law which could allow the city to regulate tower placement (such as setback requirements from schools, residences, etc.).

Research provided by Neighbors Against 5G: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EXtQLZ1bN1-Tv5te5hBSprz1IKuOPvTG/>

Consent Agenda

BJ moved to approve the consent agenda

Dave S seconded the motion

All approved

National Night Out

SLR presented regarding KFNA outreach at National Night Out. Volunteers meet in back parking lot at Sebastian Joe's Commissary at 5:45 PM on August 2. Teams of two will be identified and given a list of parties to attend. Teams will go to their assigned parties, scoop ice cream, and talk to neighbors about KFNA. Goal is to have eight teams to

cover the ~55 parties. Will get map of parties from the city shortly before NNO. About 5-6 parties per team, 15 minutes per party, back at own block party after 1.5 hours.

Election Day Polling Parties

Scott Mueller presented regarding Election Day polling parties at MLK Park. Will be hosting a polling party for the primary election this year, August 9, which KFNA has not done for some time. Will also be hosting a polling party for the general election on November 8. Need volunteers to cover various roles throughout the day for the events.

Also looking for one on-call “super voucher” from each precinct to meet with a resident at their address and return to the polling place to serve as a voucher. Also looking for volunteers to help put up posters to promote the elections, focusing on areas around multi-family housing. Will be holding an elections return party at Tap Society for the general election.

Volunteer Sign-Up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0849A8A62EA1FE3-20221>

StageFest

Becky Dankowski presented regarding StageFest. Currently, we do not have a location to hold the event. Also researching permits and costs for city block events. Costs associated with blocking off the streets, noise permits, selling beer, etc. Working with contacts to obtain donations of sound equipment, beer, etc. Main issue is finding a location. Grand total of expenses is ~\$1,000. Also trying to decide on a date for the event. We will not have a problem finding enough performers for the event. Will be a good community event and could potentially be profitable. A good date would be Saturday, September 10. Becky and Todd will put together a final proposal to be adopted by the board by e-vote.

Renter Engagement

Working on deep canvassing of renters in the Kingfield neighborhood to do outreach for KFNA and events, hear from renters about what they would like from the organization, and to identify potential building contacts for KFNA. The association historically has not done as much engagement with renters. We have a grant from the city to focus on this and part of Kenzie’s staff time is dedicated to this effort. The more volunteers we have, the more people we can reach. We generally launch from the KFNA Office. Drop off information about the association and upcoming events.

Planning to promote voter registration and the upcoming primary election at the renter outreach on July 21. Other upcoming dates are Thursday, August 18 and Tuesday, September 20. All upcoming renter engagement events are on Thursdays from 4:30-7:30 PM.

Volunteer Commitments

Renter Engagement, Jul. 21: Sarah, Josh, Katie

Renter Engagement, Aug. 18: Travis, David S., Sarah, Josh, Katie

Renter Engagement, Sep. 20: Alice, Sarah, Josh, Katie

StageFest Planning Team: Becky, Todd, Brighton, David R, Regina (maybe)

Polling Party: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0849A8A62EA1FE3-20221>

Polling Party Super Vouchers: Brighton, David S. (both northern precinct)

Polling Party Fliers: Scott, Josh, Travis, Katie

NNO Bike Trailers: Travis, Sarah, Todd (maybe), Sarah, David R. (maybe)

Past Year/Current Year Budget Review/Grant Update - Close of Fiscal Year, Moving NRP Funds

David S presented on the budget and finances for the organization. Current budget includes 10 hours per week for SLR. If there are no changes to revenues for 2024, we'd have roughly a \$60,000 reduction in revenue (from \$100,000 to \$39,000). The board can move \$25,000 without approval from the full membership of KFNA. David S and SLR recommend moving funds from unused NRP strategies into Admin in order to continue to pay basic operational costs for KFNA. David S proposed to move \$25,000 from Green Residential to Admin. The board will consider this proposal at the September meeting.

Budget FY23: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1MRoBtKWOVASmJHLaeA_5ukzBqZx-Mu6L/
Balance Sheet FY22: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1FdOH9t_uTZJTIRT57xcxJAwP_q-6haBQ/
Profit and Loss FY22: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1p7UdygBSe_3KF43EcW-ejTbLfrwyFeYe/
NRP Contract Funds Remaining: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1FWZLJXRANg7ZaEv-HOvEUHsi2KQnaj8C/>

COVID Policy

Katie presented a proposed COVID policy for the organization, as summarized below:

- CDC spread level for Hennepin County determines meeting protocol (based on one week prior to meeting)
 - Low: Indoors, masks optional
 - Medium: Indoors, masks required
 - High: Transition to meetings via Zoom
- Will resume in-person meetings in September (provided spread is Low or Medium)
- Will host Community Forum portion via Zoom
 - Will emphasize advanced sign-up for community forum
 - Will permit visitors to join at office if there is a small number (but can also join via Zoom)
 - Will require Zoom if number exceeds safe/reasonable capacity for KFNA office
- Will hold in-person meetings at the KFNA office
 - Has more reliable wi-fi
 - Can host forum via Zoom and record board meetings for viewing afterward
- Will have hybrid meetings (to the best of our ability), to allow for remote participation by board members and the community

Full COVID Policy: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1P2Nqhv4hqFbma-B0Qd2wrcw9bWcp5g2z/>

David R moved to approve the proposed COVID policy

Scott seconded the motion

All approved

Meeting Close

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.