

Meadowood Neighborhood Association, Inc. Board Minutes

March 1, 2023 6:30 p.m.
Community Room A, Meadowridge Library

Attendees Expected:

Maggie Dugan - 1	x	Terry Evanson - 9	x	Guests:	
Miguel & Sammy Benson - 2	A	Maureen Murphy - 10	A	Lucas Hale - Neighborhood Officer	A
Mike Edmonds - 3	x	Jacob Kriegisch - 11	x	Alyssa Souza – Neighborhood Liaison Officer	A
Tony Smick - 4	x	Jay Close - 12	x	Yannette Figueroa Cole - Alder	x
Lisa Kass - 5	A	Sheray Wallace – 13	A	Sheri Carter - Alder	A
Lisa Veldran - 6	A	Nick Baxter -Treasurer	A	Matt Veldran – County Board	A
Ruth Kleban - 7	x	Lisa Schulz – At Large	x	Mal Higgins - invited	A
Janice & Mark Bauman - 8	A	Mary Lee Gleason – MNA mmb	A	Community Garden Coordinator (invited) Nicholas Leete	x
		Heidi Wiley - webmaster	A		

Time	Who	Topic
INVITED GUESTS		
6:30	Officers Hale/Souza	Neighborhood safety issues - no officers available
6:40	Matt Veldran	Update on Board of Supervisors - no report available
6:50	Alders Figueroa Cole & Carter	<p>Alder Figueroa Cole reported via Zoom and email.</p> <p>1. Re: zoning. She supported change. There are people in district 10 that are sharing their homes with unrelated adults in order to cover their mortgage. Research by Justice Castadeña indicated other cities with high student density have managed well.</p> <p>2. An ordinance for youth curfews and penalties which was not being enforced was repealed..</p> <p>3. The next controversial issue is the building energy safety policy.</p> <p>No report from Alder Carter</p>
STANDING BUSINESS		
7:10	Terry	February 2023 minutes – approved by voice vote
7:10	Nick	Treasurer’s Report - sent by email. No questions
OLD BUSINESS		
7:11	Mal Higgins (invited)	Collaboration with Meadowridge Library - unable to attend. Will try again next month
7:25	Sheray	Not present, but Terry reported that she is thinking about using the produce from community garden plots for the food pantry and community suppers. The process for changing MHP to a 501c charity continues slowly
7:35	BoD	Bingo Game – Huge THANK YOU to all who helped - consensus that pizza and soda went well. Just the right amount ordered. Attendance similar to event at Bowling Alley. Maggie wondered if we sent thank you notes to area businesses who provided gifts. She will work on a form letter we can use.
7:40	BoD	MMM – should we consider a stipend for musicians? Board agreed after a brief discussion to offer \$100 as a stipend. Sheray decided not to do the community supper on the same day. Guy Fields has arranged for “Old Black Joe and the Third Rail Sparks” to perform. Chicago blues. People will bring their own chairs. Lisa Veldran will register us for the event on line.
7:45	BoD	Aldermanic Candidate’s Forum, March 25 – A moderator from the League of Women Voters has been confirmed. Will also solicit area neighborhoods for questions and a moderator will accept written questions from the floor. Orchard Ridge will do publicity. We need to set up room and be there to greet people. Board members should be at Peterson Hall by 9:15. Take down should be done by 11:30.

NEW BUSINESS

7:50	Garden Coord + BoD	Meadowood Community Garden – Nicholas Leete from Rooted Wisconsin https://www.rootedwi.org/ provided information about increasing use of our community garden. Plots are available to rent on a sliding scale (\$17 to \$95). The garden is located at the corner of Leland & Thrush. The plots are 20x20 or 10x20. They hope to do some rototilling early in spring. They also provide mentoring for those new to gardening. They are currently recruiting volunteers for painting the fence, shed & signs. There is a water supply and some community tools in the shed. The issue of vandalism was discussed - getting community ownership and close neighbor oversight or participation would help. There is a Garden Info event planned for March 18 at the library from 10 to 11:30.
7:55	BoD	Articles for April – May ed. Meadowood due March 31
8:00		Adjourn - Jacob moved and Ruth was second at 7:55.