

# MNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES— February 2020

Meadowood Community Center: Wednesday, February 5, 2020 6:30 pm – 8:25 pm

Elizabeth Schroeder – 1	X	Gene Masters/Diane Berry - 10	A	<b>GUESTS:</b>	
Miguel Benson – 2	X	OPEN – 11		Christian Albouras	X
Mike Edmonds – 3	X	Arik Grundahl – 12	X	Matt Veldran—County Board	A
Tony Smick – 4	X	Sheray Wallace – 13	X	Merle Bengston- Police Liaison	X
Tyler Rehm/Sara Wagner – 5	A			Lucas Hale – Neighborhood Officer	A
Lisa Veldran – 6	A			Sally Yeager	X
Lisa Schulz – 7	X				
Janice/ Mark Bauman – 8	X	(X= present, A= absent)			
Terry Evanson – 9	X				

- **Welcome (Terry):** All were welcomed. Terry mentioned that Officer Hale starts as the Neighborhood Officer on 2/9 and will be coming to our next meeting. Sara, Tyler, Gene and Diane unable to be at meeting tonight.
- **January Minutes:** Unanimously approved by board.
- **Treasurer’s report:** Approved. No additions.
- **Elected Officials Report (Christian Albouras):**
  - 5802 Raymond Rd. project has been accepted. \$1,000,000 from the Federal Home Investment will be given for this project.
  - Revamping city dog policy. Currently there are 30 dog-free parks, including Meadowood Park, which will remain a dog-free park.
  - Task Force proposition for city council to reduce members from 20 to 10 and get a salary. Christian is against this—he feels the benefits don’t outweigh the negatives.
- **Guest Sally Yaeger:** Welcomed by Terry. Sally is working on acquiring memberships in Area 11. She is very interested in having a west side senior center be placed at the Westgate development. Sheray agreed that the seniors in the Meadowood community are underserved. There needs to be more outreach including a bus to pick up seniors. Mike E. would like Christian to talk to city commission that is working with Westgate development. Christian said the city would need to get behind this. Westgate development is still undetermined. UW Health is trying to get into the development--potentially a big project. Still taking bids. A senior center or day care is a small possibility.

## OLD BUSINESS

- **Update—5802 Raymond Road approved by Plan Commission. Meeting with Stephanie Bradley Wilson of CWD (Terry):**
  - A representative from CWD plans to come to the next MNA meeting in March.
  - She is asking us to help come up with a name for the 5802 Raymond Road property. Next step: pre bid meeting with city on the 14<sup>th</sup>, then CWD will acquire the property. Planning a ground breaking ceremony early to middle of April.
- **Proposal to organize a meeting of Meadowood strip mall occupants & management company (Terry):** Terry talked with Stephanie about organizing a meeting with shop owners, police, city,

volunteer escorts, and the manager of the strip mall. Terry is interested in discussing with stakeholders how to create a welcoming place at the strip mall. Some problems/frustrations noted for the owner of the laundromat-- such as people loitering at laundromat. Communication issues.

- **Final 2020 Budget review as approved at January 2020 meeting (Lisa):** All finalized budget changes from last month's meeting were put into the new budget. Budget changed from draft to final.
- **Exact Sciences—summary of meeting/Draft Sponsorship Agreement (Terry/Sheray/Lisa):**
  - Meeting on 1/24 was to request Exact Sciences to provide sponsorship for community suppers. Exact Sciences was very impressed by Sheray's presentation. A week later, they sent a draft to Terry proposing \$3,000 for community suppers and \$2,000 for operating support for Meadowood Health Partnership. The caveat is that they want their logo to be listed as the presenting sponsor of all community suppers at events, on MNA website, newsletters and other communications promoting the events. Their logo would also need to be featured on website and newsletters as a supporter of MHP. **Action:** Mike E. was asked to review this from a legal perspective. Some discussion, but no objections. Terry will be asking Exact Sciences about what they will need for end of the year reporting data/pictures, etc. Also, she will ask if the donation amounts can be reversed: instead ask for \$2,000 for community suppers and \$3,000 for MHP operating expenses.
  - Exact Sciences still has 300 job openings. Some are non-technical jobs starting at \$15.00/hr. Local residents can get jobs through the Urban League. Also, Exact Sciences employees can take 16 hrs./year to do volunteer work in the community (such as donate vegetables for community suppers from community gardens).
- **Meadowood Health Partnership/Community Supper update (Sheray):**
  - Baby Shower 2/25 at Good Shepherd Church for 11 families.
  - Community Supper 2/26 at 5:30 Good Shepherd Church. Black History documentary will be played for attendees of the Community Supper.
  - Cancer Awareness Day on Feb. 12 at library 10-1 pm. Staff from Carbone Cancer will be speaking.
  - A 'medical bus' will soon be coming to Good Shepherd parking lot weekly Wed. and Fri. from 10-3. St. Mary's Hospital is financing this.
- **Bingo March 21, Saturday at Ten Pin Alley. (Lisa S.)**
  - Terry passed a list around for Bingo prize sign up. Lisa S. is coordinating the prizes; board members need to turn in prizes to her by March 13.
- **Make Music Madison—early planning (note from Sara):**
  - Fit to Go van, water wagon, and resource trailer have all been booked. Sara is talking with a face painter in the neighborhood.
  - Still trying to get a rain location.
  - Time change this year due to Sunday/Father's Day: the event will be held over lunch instead of supper. 1-4 pm.
  - Sara & Tyler are reaching out to 19 Sports to see if they are willing to host a 'dad and me' sports tournament event.
- **Follow up with City on crossing guard at Leland and Raymond (Mike):** ORE principal has not responded to Mike's emails. Mike will make an active effort in the coming week to meet with the principal. If she doesn't want to meet, then Mike will ask Christian to step in.
- **Reminder for board members to complete new membership updates on the online database (Terry).**
- **Fruit Tree distribution (Mark):** reminder to sign up for free fruit trees by March 31. **Action:** Mark will send information out about this on Next Door Meadowood.
- **Police Report (Merle):** Reminded the board about his monthly report with two different robberies at the Meadowridge Walgreens. Merle is still working with Dave Glomp to fix the problem of sending mentally ill persons to Oshkosh, which takes two police officers away from the city.
- **Meeting adjourned** : Lisa S. made the motion and Tony S. seconded.