

MNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES— December 2019

Meadowood Community Center: Wednesday, December 4, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Elizabeth Schroeder - 1	A	Gene Masters - 10	X	GUESTS:	
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	X			Lt. Reggie Patterson	X
Lisa Veldran - 6	X			Neighborhood Officer (vacant)	
Lisa Schulz - 7	X				
Janice/ Mark Bauman - 8	X	(X= present, A= absent)			
Terry Evanson - 9	X				

- **Welcome (Terry):** Terry welcomed Arik Grundahl who has agreed to become the new Area 12 representative. Arik grew up in this neighborhood and now lives/owns his parents’ house on Meadowood Drive. He is an assistant manager at Walgreens on Mineral Point. Terry thanked Mike for installing the three Meadowood signs after the city installed new treated posts. We will be getting the grant check from the city within the week to help pay for signs.
- **October Minutes:** Unanimously approved by board.
- **Treasurer’s report:** No comments. Approved.
- **Common Council Report (Christian Albouras):**
 - City budget was passed. Many tough decisions had to be made. Christian voted ‘no’ on the wheel tax because his constituents didn’t want it. Three new police officers were added.
 - A proposal to place a traffic light at Prairie and Raymond Road is moving forward.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Lieutenant Patterson--West District:**
 - He has been in this new job as lieutenant of the West District since last July. Before that, he had worked as a police officer in Madison for 14 years as a detective on narcotic task force, financial crimes, and violent crime unit. As West District lieutenant, he has six sergeants working under him and each is responsible for 6-7 police officers.
 - Terry asked about the Byrne trailer. Lieut. Patterson said it is for anyone in the city’s use. He is responsible for the maintenance/upkeep of the trailer.
 - Reported that our new neighborhood officer, Lukas Hale will be starting here in February.
 - City-wide issues: Stolen autos are a big problem. 85% of them could have been prevented with locking car doors and garages. Sheray said that detention punishment is not working.
- **Meadowood Health Partnership (Sheray):**
 - Sheray gave summary of some of her current activities: working with non-violent offenders, the pharmacy society doing medication reviews, and training other health workers in the city using the same model that she uses.
 - Community Supper is on Wednesday, 12/18. Dinner served at 5:30. Sheray may need help with wrapping gifts and checking people in.
- **Crossing Guard at Leland/Raymond (Mike Edmonds):** No action because ORE principal still has not communicated/answered Mike’s emails, nor filled out the necessary form. Mike has just sent another firm email and read it to the Board. He may alert School Board if needed. Mike also thinks yellow lights should be changed to LED lights—more effective. Christian has also been asked to look into this matter.

- **Review & Comment: Draft MNA 2020-21 Goals from Nov. Retreat; Board Events & Assignments for 2020 (Terry):**
 - Asking for two major inputs from the board: 1) Do you feel the Draft MNA Goals reflected our discussions; 2) Whether the board events and assignments are doable.
 - Lisa V. mentioned our focus on the younger adults with a planned activity in the future like hosting a get together at Vintage Brewery. She suggested sending out flyers specifically to the young couples. Lisa V. will help to get it organized, but the younger people on the board should spearhead it. Slated for next fall.
- **Review of Draft MNA Budget (Lisa S.):** Lisa said that the new budget is based on what we spent last year on particular items. Income from membership dues is likely to be around \$3000. Lisa proposed to give a donation of \$500 to Meadowood Health Partnership (Sheray) at the end of the year since she currently has only \$46 in her account. The board unanimously agreed. Lisa wondered if we should put something in the budget for the Meadowood Health Partnership. Current account balance is \$4800. Board discussion about asking local businesses/restaurants to donate some of their proceeds to MNA.

NEW BUSINESS

- **2020 Bingo game (Lisa S.):**
 - Event is set for February 29, but Lisa S. is not able to attend. Date was tentatively changed to March 7 when Lisa S. will be available.
 - Caller: Joyce Dingman not able to attend. Mark Bauman volunteered to be the caller. A new mic system is needed to project voice.
- **Make Music Madison June 21 (Tyler and Sara):**
 - Tyler and Sara will need more help because they are expecting a baby in the spring.
 - Proposal to change the event to 12 noon to 4 pm, due to the date coinciding with Father's Day (a Sunday). The Board unanimously agreed.
 - Sara & Tyler have a goal to plan most of the event, but they will need more help because they'll be busy at home. They'll also need help setting up for bands.
- **Next Board meeting (Terry):** Set for January 8 at 6:30 pm in the Meadowood Community Center (first Wednesday of the month is 1/1—a holiday).
- **January-March 2020 Newsletter (Mark):** Articles are due on Friday, January 3, which is prior to the next meeting. Mark is asking for more photos to liven up the newsletter. Mark will work with Elizabeth to provide a link to the newsletter within the email which is sent out to members who prefer an electronic copy.
- **Database (Gene):** Planning to redo the membership database structure to make it easier to read.
- **Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. Motion made by Lisa V. and seconded by Lisa S.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Bauman, Board Secretary