

Meadowood Neighborhood Association, Inc. Board Meeting

Minutes

September 3, 2025, 6:30 p.m.

Community Room A, Meadowridge Library

Attendees Expected:

Julie & Dennis Ahnen - 1	X	Terry Evanson - 9	X	Guests:	
Miguel & Sammy Benson - 2	A	Kara Pezzi- 10	X	Alyssa Souza – Neighborhood Liaison Officer	X
Mike Edmonds - 3	X	Jack Nee -Vice President - 11	X	Yannette Figueroa Cole - Alder	A
Tony Smick - 4	A	Jay Close -President - 12	X	Matt Veldran – County Board	X
Lisa Kass - 5	A	Sheray Wallace – 13	A	Riley Disch, WPD Officer	X
Lisa Veldran - 6	X	Lisa Schulz – At Large	X	Joel Gallenberg, Area 4	X
Ruth Kleban - 7	A	Mary Lee Gleason – At Large	X		
Janice & Mark Bauman - 8	X	Ron Monson-Treasurer	X		

Time	Who	Topic
6:30	Jay	Call to Order. Welcome officers and board members elected. Welcome Guests.
6:30	Officer Souza	Meadowood Neighborhood safety issues – Officer Souza introduced Riley Disch, the afternoon beat officer in Meadowood. Police have been busier in the neighborhood but there are no patterns, primarily traffic issues. Summer 2025 vs. summer 2024, increase of 40% calls for service. Many families are having trouble meeting basic needs. The new chief of police, John Patterson, has excellent relationship with officers on the force and a focus on neighborhoods.
6:40	Matt Veldran	County Board Report – County is providing left over federal COVID money to the Tenant Resource Center for rental assistance. Hearings on the county budget are coming up. Bids for renovation of the coliseum at the Alliant Energy Center are going out.
6:50	Alder Figueroa-Cole	City Council Report – not in attendance
STANDING BUSINESS		
7:00	Jay	August 2025 minutes – Approved.
7:05	Ron	Treasurer’s Report – Finalizing taxes for 2024. Mike will contact Bonnie Watson regarding filing the 2024 MNA tax form. Lisa S. stated Bonnie Watson has been paid for the tax preparation.
OLD BUSINESS		
7:10	Lisa S	MHP’s federal grant ended on 8/31/25. Some federal money was withdrawn. Lisa expects additional money from a federal grant will be transferred to MHP in September. All new grants will come directly to MHP and not through MNA.

7:15	Terry	Resource Trailer update -The resource trailer needs equipment replaced. Terry sent an email to Capt. Diana Nachtigal and is waiting for her reply. The issue of using a neighborhood grant to stock the trailer came up. Terry will investigate that possibility. Generally, the neighborhood grants have been given for specific improvements in the neighborhoods.
7:20	Board	<p>Annual Picnic & Membership meeting, Aug. 16 recap Thank you to the Picnic committee and all those that lent a hand! Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jack Nee volunteered to serve as Vice President, and was elected - Jay Close became President (jaymclose@gmail.com) - Prizes - Summary via Lisa K – Approximately 20 prizes were left over from the picnic and will be used for the winter Bingo game. - Recommendations for next year: Fewer people attended because of the threat of storms. Food was left over but we don't recommend reducing the amount for next year, due to the weather this year. Extra food was gladly accepted by the Neighborhood Center Food Pantry. - We asked people to bring their own plates/utensils, but only one or two did. We can advertise that sooner next year. - Other changes: We might ask people to bring a dessert to share rather than purchase cookies. Put our own veggie tray together – HyVee's veggie tray was expensive (\$45). - We did get donations for the Neighborhood Center Food Pantry. We should ask for donations at the Bingo game.
7:30	Terry	<p>Fall Membership Drive – kick off at September board meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please distribute Sept. Meadoword hard copy to every home. Best to conduct the drive in the early fall - Membership materials available to every board member - please pick up - Area Reps need to update the membership information on the MNA Database. There is a printed tutorial on updating the database on our Google Drive. Ask Terry for a tutorial if you'd like.
NEW BUSINESS		
7:35	Board	<p>Guest Speaker and projects - Brain Storm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - City Planners. Lisa V. states that the city may have plans for redeveloping the Meadowood Shopping Center – it was identified for redevelopment in the SW Plan. The library may be moved if redevelopment takes place. Jay will contact the City Planning staff (Ben Zellers and Tim Parks). Mike will send an email to Alder Figueroa-Cole. - The replacement of ORE Elementary and Toki MS will include a new road along the school forest. Invite someone to a future meeting about the school, traffic, and how the school will interface with the community. Mike will follow-up on the redevelopment of the school. - Traffic changes at Whitney Way and Raymond Road are a concern with the new development west of us at Mid-Point Meadows (High Point Road and Raymond Road). Jay will follow-up on the traffic impact of the new developments. - Find ways to encourage neighbor-helping-neighbor opportunities, such as shoveling and mowing for elderly and disabled residents. Consider an article in an upcoming newsletter. - Explore resources available through NewBridge in our neighborhood and ADRC/Independent Living resources. Consider an article in an upcoming newsletter.

7:45	Board	Reminder: consider organizing coffee/donuts for your block. MNA budget will reimburse costs.
7:45		Adjourn

Attachments: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1VMbPoYNE_NXW80dqpwP8w03bmbTk4RLH