

MNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES— November 2021

Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 6:30 pm –8:03 pm

Maggie Dugan– 1	X	Terry Evanson—9	X	GUESTS:	
Miguel & Sammy Benson – 2	A	Maureen Murphy –10	X	Christian Albouras	X
Mike Edmonds – 3	X	Jacob Kriegisch– 11	X	Matt Veldran—County Board	X
Tony Smick – 4	X	Arik Grundahl—12	A	Lucas Hale—Neighborhood Officer	A
Lisa Kaas – 5	X	Sheray Wallace—13	X	Alyssa Souza—Neighborhood Liaison Officer	X
Lisa Veldran – 6	X	Lisa Schulz, Treasurer	X	Stephanie Bradley-Wilson	X
Heidi Wiley – 7	X	Kristin McCool—At Large	X	Sally Yaeger	X
Janice/ Mark Bauman – 8	X	(X= present, A= absent)		Shirley Kulp	X

WELCOME

- Terry welcomed all attendees. Waiting for invited guests.

INVITED GUESTS

- **Neighborhood Liaison Officer (Alyssa Souza):** Quiet in neighborhood--not much to update. People are making good choices. Some dangerously speedy driving with stolen vehicles. Very few calls for police service in the Meadowood neighborhood—a good thing. Lisa V. reported being broken into her house—her bay window was cracked and someone tried to get into Matt’s car at 7:30 pm. Egging on her street and Meadowood Drive. She wondered if orange safety signs cause houses to be targeted.
- **Alder Update (Christian Albouras):**
 - Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU): City Council policy direction is moving toward providing greater housing density by allowing ADUs as a permitted use (rather than conditional use). Property owners of single-family housing would have more freedom to add a unit. These units (such as mother-in-law suites) have been allowed as a conditional since 2013. Only 12 have been built in the last nine years. Some are rented out in campus area with a 2nd exit. Building free-standing units are expensive and largely limited to those owners with money. What about parking? Should owners of ADUs provide a parking space? Lisa V. feels that this is an equity issue. Neighborhood input is being left out.
 - Redistricting: Map 7 went through and was accepted by the council. Starting January 1, 2022, Meadowood neighborhood will be in City Council District 10. This also includes Orchard Ridge and Allied Drive, among other areas. Different citizens stepped up to express their discontent, the committee didn’t agree and take action. Our new alder is Yannette Figueroa Cole for District 10 until 2023. She was just elected last April. Christian will continue representing District 20. Terry will work with Christian and Yannette on a schedule to attend MNA board meetings.
- **CWD’s Health Equity and Violence Prevention Initiative (Stephanie Bradley-Wilson):**
 - Stephanie reviewed the history of the Community-based Crime Reduction Program: impacting violence by targeting employment and housing with funding from CUNA and WI Partnership Program. CWD has applied for a grant of \$1 million over five years to continue this work. Along with new building office partners JFF and Early Childhood Program, they are trying to spread resources to provide support for other neighborhoods as well.
 - Offices in new building on Raymond Rd: a little slow right now. People are seen by appt. only 9-5. They need a receptionist because people are wandering around. For now, people should ring bell first.
 - Public Health Initiative: Stephanie is attending coalition meetings (youth, family, and children). She is still in the planning stages in work group of youth aged 16-24—often an overlooked, lost

group. Developing strategies to help people get housing and employment first. CWD is hiring an Adult Employment Specialist. Apply at CWC.org.

- **County Board Update (Matt Veldran):** County Budget Package: more money for homeless, \$10 million proposed for jail, but this is on hold. County executive proposed a county wage increase to make it more equitable for lower end folks. Still debating this. Matt's County Supervisory District has also changed dramatically. The Meadowood neighborhood has been split between two supervisory districts and he will represent only a portion of the neighborhood.

STANDING BUSINESS

- **Oct. 2021 Minutes:** No comments. Approved.
- **Treasurer's Report (Lisa S.):** Everything is in her on line report. Membership money is coming in slowly. Reminded board members to just drop off money in the slot on garage door. Personal checks should be processed quickly.

OLD BUSINESS

- **MHP Activities: Christmas Gift Plans: (Sheray had to leave meeting early):** Terry said that Maureen and Lisa K. have volunteered to help Sheray with the Christmas Party and gift distribution for children. They haven't been able to connect with Sheray to help. Terry said that it is better to text her than call or email. Exact Science has been very supportive to MHP and recently gave a grant of \$10,000.
- **Safety Committee Report (Kristen McCool):** This is her last meeting due to moving from area on Nov. 15. Report on Advisory Group Meeting: the October meeting didn't happen and November one was cancelled by Lieutenant Patton due to a conflict. The number of people attending have greatly dwindled from a start of 17. Now just 4 or 5 attend. Crime report has been much quieter in Oct./Nov.: 5 weapon violations in our area. No targeted shootings.
- **2022 Membership Drive (Terry):** Each area reported on how their area membership drive was going. Terry willing to help others if needed. She will be helping Jacob on Friday. Many are still waiting on their block captains to turn in their money. Terry reminded board to mark new emails with color coding. Gene has a new database to put together in which everything will be time stamped. It will help with managing our memberships by making it easier to print out our canvassing sheets. Terry also reminded the board that new memberships are from January to December.
- **Follow up on Volunteers to spearhead core 2022 MNA activities (Terry):** Several people have volunteered: Sheray—safety committee, Lisa Kass—picnic planning, and Terry—membership drive. MMM is still open.
- **Draft 2022 Budget for consideration (Lisa S.):** Will have more discussion on this next month. A couple of items have changed. Memberships are \$2,200 so far. Newsletters for printing are \$820. 2022 is based on last year's income and expenses. Action: Board members to look proposed budget over carefully for discussion next month.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Distribute November 2021 Meadowood (Mark):** the cost of the newsletter was less because it was only a four-page newsletter due to a lack of submissions. Printed newsletters will be distributed tomorrow.
- **Adjourn:** Lisa S. made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:03 pm. Terry said that we'd probably continue on Zoom for December with a possible in person meeting in January. Maggie said too cold—hard to go out. Maybe switch to in person meetings in March. Terry appreciates us all being there and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!