

MNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES—October 2022

Meeting in Community Room A at Meadowridge Library

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 6:30 pm –8:00pm

Maggie Dugan– 1	x	Terry Evanson—9	X	GUESTS:	
Miguel & Sammy Benson – 2	A	Maureen Murphy –10	x	Matt Veldran—County Board	x
Mike Edmonds – 3	X	Jacob Kriegisch– 11	A	Yannette Figureroa Cole-Alder	x
Tony Smick – 4	A	VACANT—12		Sheri Carter--Alder	x
Lisa Kaas – 5	A	Sheray Wallace—13	X	Alyssa Souza—Neighborhood Liaison Officer	A
Lisa Veldran – 6	X	Nick Baxter, Treasurer	X	Lucas Hale—Neighborhood officer	A
Heidi Wiley – 7	A	Lisa Schulz - At Large	X		
Janice/ Mark Bauman – 8	X	(X= present, A= absent)			

WELCOME

INVITED GUESTS

- **Alder Carter:** Amendments for City Capital Budget submitted - \$700,000 for flood mitigation city wide.
 - Yard waste drop off at Olin and at Badger are working well
 - Upcoming issues - City Operating Budget; Meeting with south, west & midtown districts regarding panhandling with the goal of safe passage for all; Holiday safety.
 - email district14@cityofmadison.com with questions and comments
- **Alder Figueroa-Cole:** has talked to Parks Division to make plan for neighborhood wishes re: park safety;
 - fixing spelling error on Russett road sign;
 - city is using Schmidt impound lot at \$55/ day on 5 year contract so can not be changed soon; there were not a lot of options
 - budget discussions are ongoing
- **County Board Update (Matt Veldran):** Continuing to work on jail financing to reduce increase by 6%. Main strategies are changes in design and reducing overall size.
 - Please, please keep leaves out of the street
- **Library Strategic Plan - Ryan Kerhove** is ill and will come to the next meeting. The library is trying to have conversations between neighbors in the Ashman, Sequoya and Meadowood areas about the neighborhoods as a whole and the libraries in particular. This was a strategy for planning that was used on the east side.

STANDING BUSINESS

- **September 2022 Minutes:** Approved by hand vote with no comments or questions.
- **Treasurer's Report (Nick.):** Reviewed expenditures and balances with current balance of \$7000. Lisa raised a concern that our balance was so high and felt that a more modest bottom line was appropriate for a neighborhood association.
 - We are the fiscal agent of MHP - do we have a legal responsibility for any oversight? Nick doesn't think so but will investigate grant regulations and report back.
 - Mike requested that paid memberships are forwarded to area reps. The area reps will update the database and provide membership cards.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Update on MHP; Welcome Packets; Community Suppers & Christmas Planning:**
 - **Sheray** reported that the next community supper is October 19 from 5 to 8 at Good Shepherd. Parents can sign up for kid's Christmas gifts at that event.
 - Welcome Packages contain resource lists for various issues. Balsam Road neighbors are trying to use Nextdoor Neighbor to communicate about immediate safety issues.
 - Dec 21 - Community Supper and Gift Pick Up
- **Compost Bins** have been delivered. Lisa V will write an article on composting. Melanie Witte has completed the city's Master Recycler program and will write future articles for the Meadoword.
- **Meadowood Park - Community garden** was a concern at the meeting with Madison Parks Supervisor. Neighborhood wants earlier communication and promotion about the availability, preferably late winter or very early spring. Also there needs to be better fencing for safety reasons - Commonwealth may be willing to help.
- **Meadowridge Shopping Center** - Mike found that it is owned by Walgreen Corp (land & parking). The management group is based in Denver with 70 centers nationwide and 15 in WI. The local agent is in Milwaukee. The facade is in reasonable shape but there is no pleasing landscaping. Mike will contact Milw. agent with the idea of partnering for a vibrant community.

NEW BUSINESS

- **New Toki Principal:** is Erin Perry (new to Madison from Green Bay). Quite a few things have been changed and there is better behavior in school. We need to contact the school to see how we can help. Corey Foster is doing outreach for at risk families.
 - **Meadoword (Mark):**
 - Next deadline is October 28. Need article on sponsors for family Christmas gifts and Holiday Safety (watching for deliveries, ladders / decorations etc)
- **Adjourn:** Lisa V made motion and Lisa S seconded at approximately 8pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
Maggie Dugan