

MNA BOARD MEETING MINUTES—May 2022

Library Community Room A: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 (6:30 pm –8:00 pm)

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

WELCOME

Terry welcomed six Area Representative attendees meeting in person and invited Officer Hale and Souza to give their reports.

INVITED GUESTS

- **Update on Neighborhood Safety (Officers Hale and Souza):**
 - Lucas says there has been an uptick in juvenile disturbances with the warmer weather. CSWs are hard at work—there are many opportunities for their involvement. Terry asked how many CSWs we have. There are three, but Sheray is no longer involved. Utilizing CSWs is a growing program in the city; more officers are making referrals.
 - If we have speed complaints in the neighborhood, we should file a complaint with the city at this website, <https://www.cityofmadison.com/reportaproblem/traffickenforcement.cfm>. Question from Mark about getting speed bumps. That request has to go through engineering.
 - Alyssa - aome domestic situations, juvenile disturbances in the shopping center parking lot, library, or neighborhood center (not in the businesses). Trouble starts when kids leave school for the day.
 - Terry asked about Coach Assad’s successful former program, “parents on the premises” at the shopping center to help mitigate problems. This program is not currently active.
- **Alder Update (Yannette Figueroa Cole on Zoom):** She reported that Alder Albouras is resigning from his position due to his moving out of the district, so his position is posted for a new District 20 applicant. Yannette is excited about an RFP (request for proposal) for violence prevention through Dane County Public Health. This targets domestic violence, youth and family. Terry asked for questions; there were none. Yannette says to send her an email with any concerns.
- **Alder Update (Sheri Carter):**
 - Finance committee results: \$20,000 from DOT for Beltline flex lane enforcement passed. Sheri is not happy about the proposal to convert some medians into concrete instead of plantings due to it being easier to maintain vs. plantings. Gateway to city should be beautiful—not concrete. More runoff, more algae. The proposal is due to contractor shortages and overall costs. This passed in finance committee and will to go Common Council.
 - Body camera pilot program passed (barely). Pilot, which will be on North side, was designed by Mike Koval. They’re working on policies and procedures. Will start in fall or early next year.
 - BRT (Bus Rapid Transit): Metro is having one final public meeting on May 19 (in person and streaming). Feedback is vital. They need to hear voices. No more money being put into this program. Feeder routes will have to be cut, causing riders to walk a long distance to take bus.

STANDING BUSINESS

- **April 2022 Minutes:** No objections. Approved by board.
- **Treasurer's Report (Lisa S. not present):** Reports were emailed to board showing an account balance of \$9,700. We need to discuss giving donations, but today we don't have enough board members for a quorum. Terry would like to put this off until next month. Treasurer reports were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

- **MHP activities (Terry):** Sheray is not here to report, but her community dinner during MMM will start at 4pm with set up. She will also have a community supper on May 12 in the Community Room at the Neighborhood Center.
- **Garage Sale Update--May 20/21 (Janice):** Maggie unable to attend meeting. Plans are going well. So far, we have eleven Meadowood residents planning garage sales on those dates. Posters have been locally posted. Advertising being done. Signs will be created for major Meadowood streets. Heidi will be helping to make a map of locations for website and to distribute.
- **MMM June 21 update (Maureen/Tony):** The MMM website has been difficult to navigate. Maureen said it was challenging to get a diverse group of performers. Three performers have been lined up to perform from 4 pm to 8 pm. Sheray will plan the community supper & resource tables. Good Shepherd agreed to be used as a backup in case of rain. Maureen will call Full Compass for a sound system. Activities for kids, such as face painting? Terry has chalk, bubbles, etc. that she will bring. Also, MCSR Fit to Go Van. We can request horses / canine units from the police dept. In the past we've served be popcorn and lemonade.
- **July 4 Bike Parade:** The board supports Lisa V.'s idea to cancel it for this year. **Action:** Mark will put this in the next newsletter.
- **August 20 Picnic/Membership Meeting:** Lisa K. is the organizer and is not present. She can discuss plans next month. We need a planning committee to work with Lisa K. Terry and Mark can help.
- **Item before Board/June Meadowood deadline (Mark B.):**
 - Mark talked about a Meadowood resident, David Serafy Cox, who is involved in Sauk Prairie Conservation Alliance (SPCA) focused on the Badger Ammunition Plant. Approx. 150 heirloom apple trees have been discovered former homestead properties. The SPCA is trying to identify and propagate these trees through grafting. Mark wants to acquire 6 of those trees to plant in Meadowood through the city's Edible Landscapes program, which allows the planting of fruit and nut bearing trees in parks. Mark already has permission from the city and homeowners. Needs an okay from the board. Mike moved to approve this. All were in favor.
 - June Meadowood: Mark will be traveling and asked if newsletter could come out a little later in June. Terry agreed. Mark will email the board re deadline and encouraging submissions.
- **Email to neighborhood (Terry):** **Action:** Terry is planning to email the MNA listserve to remind about upcoming items: May 19 BRT meeting, 5/12 community supper, 5/20-21 Neighborhood Garage Sale, and to submit articles for the next newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS

- **MNA officer nominations for 2022/2023 Discussion (Terry):**
 - We are looking for nominations for president and treasurer. Terry suggests splitting the Membership Drive from the President's duties. She is happy to continue helping with membership.
 - Lisa S. is willing to continue as the MNA treasurer but would like to pass on these duties. This is a critical position and we need someone in our neighborhood with expertise. Anyone with bookkeeping/accounting background can volunteer – they don't need to be present board members. We'll have a longer discussion about this next month.
- **Adjourn:** Meeting was quickly adjourned at 8:00 pm