



## Windom Community Council Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 14, 2024

(Hybrid Meeting held via ZOOM videoconferencing & In-Person at 5843 Wentworth)

**Attending:** Michelle Hemingway Tatum (P), Becky McIntosh (T), Dembo Darboe, George Hall, Incha Krein, Mario Vargas (Executive Director)

Absent: Jamie Lieser, Mary Petersen

**Guests:** Emily Koski (City Council Ward 11 Councilmember), Sarah Bayer (Agate Housing & Services Residential Manager)

**Welcome/Call to Order:** Michelle called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**City Hall Updates** – CM Koski was unable to make the meeting

**Agate Housing & Services** – Sarah Bayer was unable to attend. Her assistant property manager attended the meeting and gave an overview of the housing services program.

### Council Business

- **2023 Financials Review & Approval – Becky**
  - Becky presented WCC’s Year-End Financial Reports for 2023. The organization ended the year with \$38,908 in its fund balances for the year.
    - i. Motion: Move to approve the 2023 Financial Report.
    - ii. Motion: Becky
    - iii. Second: Dembo
    - iv. All in favor: Unanimous
    - v. Motion approved: Michelle
- **Windom School’s “Back the Pack” & “Spring Carnival” support request - Michelle**
  - In 2022, WCC financially supported the Windom PTO as it launched its Spring Carnival. The PTO has asked once again for a financial contribution, however, with city budget cuts it is unlikely for the organization to extend help this year. WCC will table this event.
- **Minneapolis SW Neighborhoods Collaborative –Michelle**
  - DeYoung Consulting will be conducting interviews to help shape its vision and purpose as it organizes a functioning structure. Board members are highly encouraged to participate. WCC is hosting monthly meetings of the collaborative the second Tuesday 7 pm – 8:30 pm in the multipurpose room.
- **Spring Newsletter Discussion – Michelle**
  - It will be important to begin planning for a spring newsletter to inform the community of the coming summer activities. This role is left to the secretary but with the seat vacant, Michelle has agreed to help organize the newsletter with staff. More to come on this.



- **Committee Reports**
  - **Finance - Becky**
    - None
  - **Environment & Land Use – Becky**
    - Wild Ones Presentation: Wild Ones is a local non-profit organization whose mission is to enhance local understanding and engagement with native plants and ecosystems through various programs and partnerships. Mayflower Church has organized a presentation later this month related to its pollinator gardens.
    - 2024 CleanSweep City of Minneapolis Campaign: The city is encouraging neighborhoods to participate in the city-wide campaign to sweep streets this spring. This year CleanSweeps is scheduled to begin April 6, 2024, and run through October 12, 2024, with the exception of a few days including Earth Day, Juneteenth, 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Labor Day.
  - **Community Development - Dembo**
    - None.
  - **Safety and Health - Mary**
    - Block Leader Training March 19, 2024, at 6 PM. MPD is hosting a Block Leader Training via Microsoft Team. Notices and emails have been sent to Windom Block leaders. Michelle, who is Garfield Avenue block leader will attend and provide feedback to WCC.
  - **Outreach and Community Engagement - Michelle**
    - Apartment Outreach. This spring we will be reengaging City Limits apartment and Windom Gables Townhome community property managers to begin discussion on WCC's renter engagement 2024 goals. Last fall, due to unforeseen issues related to Windom South Park staff attrition, our kids back-to-school backpack drive partnership with City Limits fell through.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm