PPA Environment Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 13, 2023 6:30 - 8 pm Luxton Park

Present: Rick McCormick, Mary Britton, Lydia McAnerney, Kathleen Davis, Vera Marshall, Mary Legris

1. NNO and the 25% by '25 initiative - window insulation kits in exchange for filling in surveys

Mary Britton would like to expand the 25% by 25 initiative to other neighbors in the city. She would like to see representatives at the National Night Out gatherings. She would like to see climate ambassadors ask folks to complete a survey along with offering weatherstripping coils or window insulation wrap. The purpose of the survey would be to raise awareness of the need for adequate insulation. The NNO date is August 1. Vera invited folks to the Oval celebration which is two weeks after NNO.

2. Update on Venture Academy planting

Mary Britton, Mary Legar and Vera Marshall organized and assisted the students and teachers of Venture Academy in the planting of a pollinator garden in early June. They and the students planted 50 plants from the Prairie Moon Nursery. They also planted 4 trees. There was a brief discussion about the success of the rain gardens planted last year.

3. Update on Fall Cleanup from Peter Barile

Peter was unable to attend but Lydia noted that the Fall Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, September 30 beginning at 9:30 am. Peter in an email indicated supplies have been requested from the City of Minneapolis. The first call for volunteers will go out soon. He is preparing a volunteer recruitment flyer to be sent out to Prospect Park residents reminding them of the event and how to get involved.