

# August, 1999 PPERRIA Newsletter

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**Editor's Note:** I apologize for the lateness of this issue. It's taken me some time to get motivated to do intense volunteer work for the neighborhood again. To add any news or info to the next newsletter, contact me at 331-8396 and either E-mail me at [andym@mr.net](mailto:andym@mr.net) or provide content on floppy disk using nearly any Mac, UNIX or Wintel text format. - Andy Mickel

To include items in PPERRIA calendar, contact Susan Gottlieb at 331-2104 by **Friday, September 10.**

## Note from the President

Dear PPERRIA members and PPERR neighbors,

As you may know, we are using time during these summer months to update and revise some of our processes and procedures and better organize our records. As part of this process, we bring these revised procedures to PPERRIA meetings for full membership review and approval. In September, we will again work on the revised NRP Funds Release Procedure, incorporating many of your comments and suggestions.

There will be no August PPERRIA General Membership meeting. We will begin our regularly scheduled meetings again in September. Have a great summer!

Thanks, Steve Cross

## **There is no August PPERRIA Meeting**

The next PPERRIA General Membership Meeting is  
**Monday, September 27, 1999 at 7:00 p.m.**  
at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church.

<b>Active PPERRIA Committees</b>	<b>Committee Chairs</b>	
<b>Education &amp; Human Services</b>	Susan Larson-Fleming	331-8819
<b>Environment</b>	Bill Kahn	378-5287
<b>Housing Development/Improvement</b>	Florence Littman	331-2970
	Alison Savin	378-9751
<b>Safety &amp; Security</b>	Harrison Nelson	378-5377
<b>Transportation</b>	Eleanor Montgomery	378-2714
<b>Zoning &amp; Plan Review</b>	Florence Littman	331-2970

### **Minutes of July 26 PPERRIA Meeting - Dan Patenaude**

1. The 7/26/99 Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc.(PPERRIA) Board/Membership/Neighborhood (B/M/N) meeting was called to order by Steve Cross, PPERRIA President, at 7 pm at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church(PPUMC),

Malcolm/Orlin S.E. A quorum was present. Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "To accept the printed agenda as available at the meeting." There were no additions or corrections.

2. The minutes of the 6/28/99 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting were published in the 7/99 PPERRIA Newsletter. There was an extended discussion of Item #4 on the inclusion of wording of comments of Stacy Sorenson, Minneapolis NRP Staff working with the neighborhood, regarding release of PPERRIA NRP funds to purchase the Kampa Tire site (Bedford/Fourth Street SE). Time did not permit the secretary to clarify this before the publishing date of the 8/99 PPERRIA Newsletter.

[Secretary's note: In order that wording be clear and correct, corrections and additions to written minutes (other than for spelling or punctuation) need to be in writing or E-mail format to the secretary. Also, written copies of new motions and motion amendments must be provided to the chair of the meeting and to the secretary. Thank you.]

3. Nicole Magan, Minneapolis CCP/SAFE representative, provided copies of the Prospect Park crime statistics for the weeks 6/22/99 through 7/13/99. Again, most of the 15 crimes were of the nature that we as residents can do something about: lock doors and windows, put stuff out of sight and do not leave stuff in our vehicles. She commented that area maps showing individual crimes are no longer available. This is due to a change in the police department computer programs. Call her at 612-673-2874 or E-mail to [nicole.magan@ci.minneapolis.mn.us](mailto:nicole.magan@ci.minneapolis.mn.us)

4. Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "To approve as revised the PPERRIA/NRP Funds Release Procedures (Revised 7/99) as available at the meeting and published in the 7/99 PPERRIA Newsletter." Susan Gottlieb, PPERRIA/NRP Implementation

Coordinator, reminded all that PPERRIA's is one of the few Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Action Plans (NRP) that, in addition to having the neighborhood approve the Action Plan, asks that the neighborhood approve each individual project. This is in addition to approving the actual release of NRP funds for the earlier approved Action Plan and individual project. One result of this is that there was available little if any NRP precedent and neighborhoods' experience and that there tend to be "several versions" of many PPERRIA/NRP documents "out there" after each was "refined." As each was expected to be the official document, until it was found necessary to revise it, the various versions are not marked "draft," as now is to be done, and are only numbered by the date of the document. As in any first time through a process; the up to date and current process and procedures are done at the end of the cycle. This motion reflects this. See attached. The 7/26/99 amended version will be published in the PPERRIA Newsletter.

5. The review and motion to accept the proposed current PPERRIA/NRP and PPERRIA Expense Approval and Payment Policies and Procedures was postponed to a future PPERRIA B/M/N meeting. This was due to the length of the remaining agenda.

6. Joel Schurke, Cunningham Group representative, provided copies of the latest "Guidelines for Environmentally Friendly Building Design in the Southeast Minneapolis Industrial/Bridal Veil area(SEMI)" as developed for the Southeast Economic Development committee (SEED) by Cunningham. PPERRIA/NRP earlier approved matching funds are being used on this project. He reported that these guidelines are now part of the SEMI Master Plan. These guidelines are for use by the neighborhoods, through SEED, to encourage sustainable development, e.g., improved energy use building design, efficient use of construction materials and indoor air quality. Educating developers and space users is one of the next projects.

7. Motion made, seconded and passed without noes:"To accept the proposed \$4,650 balanced PPERRIA 1999-2000 (April to March) Budget. Copies available at the meeting." Sue Rohde, PPERRIA Treasurer, reminded all that this is the budget for

PPERRIA. There is also a budget for PPERRIA/NRP and there are several single task budget administered by PPERRIA, e.g., Garden Club, History Project, and Birthday Club. The donation to PPUMC for PPERRIA's use of PPUMC for meetings is made at the end of the budget year and upon availability of funds and approval by PPERRIA could be a larger amount. The committee expenses include an amount to back up PPERRIA committee up-front expenses usually covered by later committee income. Any expense greater than a budgeted amount or not on the budget can only be approved by PPERRIA.

8. Marie Rossa, St. Francis Cabrini Catholic Church administrator, reviewed their project for a parking lot east of the church building and up to the railroad track on the south side of Franklin Avenue SE. Within the year there have been extensive discussions within the neighborhood of this project. The current project is to be financed 100% by Cabrini. As the Newman facility has been closed on the University of Minnesota campus, there has been a 25% increase in the congregation of Cabrini. The present plan is for two rows of parking next to the railroad boundary. Traffic will enter/exit from Franklin Avenue SE. No city zoning or conditional use permits are required other than standard parking lot permits and curb cuts. The issue of the neighbor on the south who purchased their property without being told of the proposed parking lot is to be resolved between the owner and Cabrini. The PPERRIA Zoning Committee will review and comment on the site plan. Construction is expected to be in 9/99.

9. Dan Nordley, Minneapolis Center for Neighborhoods, circulated copies of a questionnaire and information sheet, "Neighborhood Discussion Questions to Build Recommendations for the Second Phase of NRP." All were asked to complete the questionnaire by the end of 7/99 and mail to the Minneapolis Center for Neighborhoods, 2600 East Franklin Avenue , Minneapolis, MN 55406. Of special concern is "what is working." It was emphasized that it seems there will be an NRP II, that the process is ongoing, and nothing has yet been decided. Several organizations are working to have the policymakers hear the neighborhood voices regarding content as well as who will administer the funds of NRP II. Watch your information source(s) of choice(s) for meeting dates/places and information.

10. Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "To send a letter to the Minneapolis Zoning Department recommending the rezoning of the proposed Affinity Plus (aka State Capitol Credit Union) site between 25th and 26th Street on University Avenue SE (the vacant Fina and Embers buildings) to B3s3 to permit a drive in banking facility. Also to commend Affinity Plus on their neighborhood-compatible urban design." Florence Littman, PPERRIA Zoning Committee cochair, reviewed the proposed development. PPERRIA Zoning Committee has requested of Affinity Plus that on the University Avenue SE side of the site there be only the building and a driveway. The PPERRIA Zoning Committee has yet to review the site landscape plan.

11. Susan Gottlieb reviewed the PPERRIA/NRP independent contractor report as published in the 7/99 PPERRIA Newsletter. 91% of the budgeted amount for staff has been paid.

12. A request was made for individuals to put up posters for the upcoming community concerts. There was no further old or new business.

Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "To adjourn."

Daniel Patenaude, PPERRIA Secretary. Comments and/or corrections to 117 Arthur Avenue SE or marko001@tc.umn.edu

## NRP Phase 2 - Neighborhoods Respond to the NRP Policy Board

The NRP (Neighborhood Revitalization Program) Policy Board is soliciting public input from neighborhoods for NRP Phase 2 by having a meeting on Thursday, August 26 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Bethany Lutheran Church, 2511 E. Franklin Ave. NRP Phase 1 had these goals: 1. Help make the city a better place to live, work, learn and play; 2. Build neighborhood capacity; 3. Redesign public services; 4. Increase government collaboration; 5. Create a sense of community.

This meeting is designed to gather input from these neighborhoods: Prospect Park, Marcy Holmes, Como, East River Road, Cedar-Riverside, Seward, Longfellow, Cooper, Hiawatha, and Howe. Residents are encouraged to attend and offer views on jurisdictions, community interests, etc.

The NRP policy board is scheduled to have a retreat in September to develop a set of draft goals for Phase 2 of the NRP. The policy board will use the information presented at the public meeting to develop these goals. For more information, contact the NRP at (612) 673-5076.

## The August 3 National Night Out in our Neighborhood - Andy Mickel

More than a dozen gatherings were held in our neighborhood, Tuesday, August 3, and most were visited by the CCP/SAFE (Community Crime Prevention) police unit from the 2nd Police Precinct who reported that hundreds of gatherings were occurring all

over Minneapolis. (By the way, Minneapolis won the award in 1998 for having the most active participation in NNO in the nation.)

#### Luxton Park

As usual, a big party was held in Luxton Park for the 7 block clubs in the Glendale district of the neighborhood. A big hit was the corn roast, but all kinds of organized game activities for kids and information tables were evident as well.

#### Malcolm Ave / Arthur Ave / Barton Ave

Mimie Pollard and Alden Drew staged a repeat of a live music party held out of their carport garage at 135 Malcolm Ave. They worked with Malcolm Ave neighbors to have the street blocked off, this year invited neighboring streets Arthur and Barton Avenues to join them. 71 people attended and indulged in potluck food and beverages as well as lengthy neighborly conversation.

#### Literature Handouts

The NNO theme this year was "Back to Basics", but the handouts did not reflect this.

"Census 2000" explained the purpose of the upcoming national census and how citizens can help.

"PPERRIA's Suggestions on Y2K Preparedness" which stated that we don't believe there will be major disruptions, but goes on to list 2 pages of ways to prepare for a major disruption! It was undated.

"Minnesota Department of Corrections Backgrounder on Restorative Justice" explaining the new movement to have active participation of crime survivors and their communities to communicate with crime offenders and work out feelings and future actions together.

"Y2K and Your Neighborhood" by the City of Minneapolis outlined how to receive updates on the citywide preparedness plan. It was undated.

"1999 National Night Out" by Hennepin County explained recent community efforts and programs put in place by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners.

### **Block Connections Grant Awarded to: St. Mary's Place-Williams Ave and mid-Arthur Avenue Block Clubs - Andy Mickel**

For the first time since the CCP/SAFE began promoting ways in which adjacent block clubs can connect with each other (building community again!), 2 PPER neighborhood blockclubs applied for a \$1000 grant to do an "original project" Collaborative Landscaping. Travis Emdin of St. Mary's Place-Williams Ave and David

Kaar of the mid-Arthur Ave developed the idea to address a safety issue perceived by Glendale residents on Williams Ave.

Unlandscaped (wild) and tall vegetation (up to 10 feet) grows on the back boulevards on SE Williams Avenue of properties facing SE Arthur Avenue. Neighbors who park on SE Williams Avenue (primarily residents of Glendale) do not feel safe at night as there are so many potential hiding places for people lurking within this brush and vegetation. Our approach is to actively supervise willing and available neighborhood youth as a team, as well as enlist residents of Arthur Avenue to first clear, and then maintain, this area to remove these hiding places.

The two-phase project began in June and will end on Labor Day, 1999. Andy Mickel wrote a 10-page grant application including sections on: 1. Project Area and Maps; 2. Project Description; 3. Project Timetable; 4. Project Budget; 5. Project Evaluation; 6. About the CoChairs; 7. About PPERRIA; and 8. Letters of Support (from Darlene Edwards of GRO and Pam Wollum of the PPERRIA Safety and Security Committee). Andy attended an April meeting in NE Minneapolis to learn about the program from CCP/SAFE personnel after learning about the meeting at a March PPERRIA meeting.

## Hennepin County Neighborhood Collections for Hazardous Waste

Hennepin County has organized three different weekends for disposing hazardous waste and unwanted materials. If you have any of the following items to drop off, please note the dates and times of the weekend sites.

### **Items that WILL be accepted:**

Adhesives, aerosols, auto wastes (fuel additives, starter fluid, waxes), household batteries, drain cleaners, fluorescent lamps, radios, rechargeable appliances, paints, pesticides, photographic chemicals, TV's, VCR's, wood preservatives.

### **Items NOT accepted:**

Appliances (refrigerators, stoves, microwaves, washers, dryers, water heaters), asbestos, compressed gas tanks, explosives, medical wastes, motor oil, oil filters, radioactive waste, auto tires, car and boat batteries.

Drop off sites and dates:

4500 Block of 36th Ave So, E 45th Street & 36th Ave So.  
Thursday - Saturday, September 9-11 (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

National Guard Armory Parking Lot, 1025 NE Broadway St  
Thursday - Saturday, September 23-25 (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Mpls Public Works Garage, 6036 Harriet Ave So  
 Thursday - Saturday, October 7-9 (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Questions? More information about the lists? Contact: 348-6509. You can also visit the Minneapolis Solid Waste website at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/solid-waste>.

## August 1999 PPERRIA NRP Contractor Activities - Sue Gottlieb

Reporting period: July 10, 1999 through August 5, 1999. Major activities and results:

Worked with MnDot and Luxton Council to ensure the installation of a new sound wall at Luxton Park	Worked on Glendale jobs initiative and translation support for community in job-seeking activities		
Began process of planning for NRP Phase II	Supported various PPERRIA committees + Executive Comm.		
Facilitated work with Housing & Zoning committees to have projects at two sites	Researched issues related to Y2K as they relate to neighborhood concerns		
Supported production of PPERRIA newsletter	Worked to develop a neighborhood school at Pratt		
Maintained the Neighborhood Calendar.	Helped ESNS serve Glendale/Prospect Park residents.		
Expense for contractors' services:	Hours billed	Total expense	% of total contr. budget
Totals 7/10/99( 8/5/99	<b>126.25</b>	<b>\$2,020.00</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
Totals 10/18/95(7/9/99	<b>6,328.10</b>	<b>\$106,161.60</b>	<b>90.9%</b>
Totals 10/18/95(8/5/99	<b>6,469.35</b>	<b>\$108,211.60</b>	<b>92.6%</b>

Total PPERRIA NRP budget allocated for independent contractor services = \$116,852

## Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar

Day and Time	Recurring Community Events	Whom to contact
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Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1 to 4 pm	<b>Food donations</b> can be dropped off at the Care & Share Food Shelf at 92 St. Mary's	Contact Ginia Klamecki at 331-7056 for options
Tuesdays, 4-5 pm 1st Monday 11:15 am 4th Wednesday 9:45 am	<b>Bookmobile</b> at Luxton Park <b>Bookmobile</b> at Pratt Community Center <b>Bookmobile</b> at Univ Good Samaritan Center	Contact Susan Larson-Fleming at 331-8819 for more information
Tuesdays 7:00 pm	<b>Community Choir</b> at PPUMC	Connie Balcom 379-4958

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Event and Location</b>	<b>Whom to contact</b>
Tuesday, 7:00 pm August 17	<b>Zoning &amp; Planning Committee meeting</b> at Pratt Community Center	Florence Littman 331-2740
<b>NO AUGUST PPERRIA MEETING</b>		
Thursday, 6:00 pm August 26	<b>NRP Phase II meeting for Southeast area</b> at Bethany Lutheran Church, 2511 E. Franklin Ave.	NRP 673-5076
Wednesday, September 1	<b>Minneapolis Public Schools</b> begin	
Monday, September 6	<b>Labor Day holiday</b>	
Tuesday, 7:30 pm September 7	<b>Luxton Council meeting</b> at Luxton Park building	Jim Oberly 379-3397
Monday, 7:00 pm September 13	<b>PPERRIA Executive Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Steve Cross 376-0094
Wednesday, 5:00 pm September 15	<b>Glendale Resident Organization meeting</b> at 92 St. Mary's Ave.	Darlene Edwards 342-1986
Monday, 7:00 pm September 27	<b>PPERRIA Monthly Membership meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Steve Cross 376-0094

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PPERRIA Web Site: <http://tcfreenet.org/org/pperria/>

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