

January 2005 PPERRIA Newsletter



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**Prospect Park East River Road
Neighborhood Calendar 2005**

PPERRIA Board/Membership Meeting Notice/Agenda

Monday, January 24th, 7-9 p.m.

at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church, corner of Orlin and Malcolm Avenues
Southeast

1. Welcome
2. Approve agenda and minutes from 11/22/04
3. Information: Status of the bookmobile - Emily Watts, Minneapolis Public Library
4. Items for Consideration:
 - Motion: to approve environmental action involving the Rock-Tenn Corporation – Bill Kahn
 - Motion: to reallocate \$2553.43 in NRP funds to administration – Tom Kilton
6. Announcements
7. New/Old Business
8. Adjourn

Motion to Transfer NRP Funds

A motion to transfer \$2553.43 in NRP Phase I funds in categories with remaining funds to Administration will be made. Funds to be transferred are: (1) \$1273.15 remaining from the Luxton Kiosk Fund; (2) minimal amounts remaining in Environmental Landscaping, Block Club Cleanup, Graffiti Removal Supplies, Prospect Park Directory and Childcare Startup, and Neighborhood Learning Center totaling \$14.76; (3) \$765.52 from Neighborhood Signs; (4) \$500 from Luxton Park Computer Classroom.

Announcement from the Environmental Committee

As some may already know, I am stepping down as Environment committee chair effective at our next meeting. The agenda will be determining the need, purpose, and future of the committee; we'll either decide if the Environment committee is necessary or not. If we decide the former, we may avail ourselves of the opportunity to draft Dean Abrahamson as our new chair should he be willint to serve.

Feel free to contact me on the topic if you like at U Garden a meeting of the committee on Tuesday, February 8 at 6:30 P.M. or before by phone or e-mail.

Bill Kahn
378-5287 wjkahn@aol.com

Thanks to Neighborhood Businesses That Help

PPERRIA would like to thank all of the neighborhood businesses and organizations that have contributed to PPERRIA activities in cash and services in the past few years. They include:

Aspen Waste
Citgo
Michael Foods
J. Ring Glass Studio
Wells Fargo
Schneider Drug
Friends of M.A. Kopf

Bruce Printing
Hubbard Broadcasting
NRG Processing
SKB
Western Bank
CACA

City of Minneapolis
Harris Warehouse
Pechiney Plastic
State Farm
Weyerhaeuser
1st SE Corporation

Meeting On Planning on University Avenue

A meeting will be held to discuss development planning for the University Avenue corridor. Consultants have been working to make plans, and would like input from the surrounding neighborhoods. Offer your suggestions on Monday, January 31, at St. Francis Cabrini. Questions, contact John DeWitt at 338-1871.

Care and Share Food Shelf Needs Donations

Please remember to donate to the Care and Share Foodshelf. Volunteers are also needed. Care and Share Foodshelf is located at 92 St. Mary's Ave. SE on the right side of the Headstart building. It is open on Mondays from noon to 4 pm and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Donations can be left at Prospect Park Methodist Church or the Luxton Park Building as well. The Foodshelf phone number is 612-342-1954.

Neighborhood Information Available

Check out the PPERRIA website at <http://www.pperr.org>. To subscribe to the community e-list and receive current neighborhood news and events announcements, send an email to jon.and.lois.willand@worldnet.att.net.

Minutes from 11/22/04

1. The 11/22/2004 Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. (PPERRIA) Board of Directors (BOD)/Membership/Neighborhood (B/M/N) Meeting was called to order by Joe Ring, President, at 7 P.M. the Prospect Park United Methodist Church (PPUMC) Malcolm/Orin Avenues S.E., Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414. Motion made by Steve Banks, seconded by Dean Lund and passed without noes: "To accept the amended agenda for this meeting that was available at this meeting. Added was to Item 8/Announcements: Lois Willard /Community Thanksgiving Service." A quorum of the Board Of Directors (BOD) was present. See attached Item 1. This meeting is governed by Robert's Rules of Order. Items attached to these minutes were available at this meeting. There were no additional items added to this agenda.
2. Motion made by Ruth Stein, seconded by Jim Widder and passed without noes: "That the minutes of the 10/25/04 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting as published in the 11/04 PPERRIA Newsletter be accepted." See attached Item 2.
3. Motion made by Gina Klamecki, seconded by Florence Littman and passed without noes: "That Julie Wallace be elected to the open 2003-2005 seat on the PPERRIA Board of Directors. This is necessary as Marjory and Michael Wood have moved from the neighborhood." There were no remaining unelected BOD candidates from the 2003-2005 or 2004-2008 BOD elections.
4. Nicole Nelson, Minneapolis Department S.A.F.E representative, provided copies of the crime statistics 2003 and 2004 east of the University of Minnesota on University Avenue S.E. These were in response to the recent killing, suspects arrested, on University Avenue S.E. Looking at the area east of 27th Avenue S.E. , the part in Prospect Park, there were 14 reported crimes in 2004 and 17 in 2003. Most were related to businesses. Her phone number is 612-673-2874. She indicated that one should call 911 for any suspected crime and ask for a case number. This allows one to follow up. She also indicated that there is a www site for Hennepin County Court system on which one can submit an impact statement regarding a neighborhood crime. See attached Item 4.
5. Motion made by Betts Zerby, seconded by Jim Widder and not passed on a roll call vote of PPERRIA Board of Directors (BOD) present at this meeting: 18 yes...10 no...and one abstention. A PPERRIA By-Law change requires a yes vote of at least 27 BOD (2/3 of 40) members: "That the PPERRIA Board of Directors change the PPERRIA By-Laws, Article III-Membership, part B-Eligibility by deleting... 'permanent and primary'... and changing ...over 17... to ...at least 18 years ..." The paragraph is to read 'Any natural person at least 18 years of age is eligible for membership in PPERRIA if the residence of the person is within the boundaries of PPERRIA The person must complete and submit to the Executive Committee the adopted PPERRIA membership application.' This motion was tabled at the 10/27/04 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting for lack of a BOD quorum. See the 9/13/04 PPERRIA Executive Committee and the 10/27/04 PPERRIA B/M/N meetings minutes at which Betts Zerby reviewed the proposed amendment and the extended discussions that were held. A motion was not accepted in that it was the opinion of the chair that the motion was not germane to the issue. The issue addressed by the proposed amendment is the definition of resident of Prospect Park for PPERRIA membership. Having an address in Prospect Park does not necessarily mean it is one's "permanent and primary" residence. See attached Item 5, published in the 11/04 PPERRIA Newsletter and available at this meeting.
6. Motion made by Daniel Patenaude, seconded by Tom Kilton and passed with some noes: "That there be established a Task Force regarding the issue of Wellington Development Corporation's use of "At Prospect Park" in their Metro Lofts Town House development on University Avenue, St. Paul." An extensive discussion was held. The experiences of St. Anthony Park-St. Paul, the

Southeast Minneapolis Industrial Organization and the planning efforts for the Highway 280 and University Avenue is the same as PPERRIA in the workings with Wellington: obstructionist at best. The committee will look at this general issue of relationships, with the intent of being positive and proactive. The issue as it regards Wellington, needs to be brought back to these goals. It is not necessary that PPERRIA be perceived as petty and obstructionist. The central concern of the neighborhood organizations is the effect of the traffic added by the soon-to-be three large residence complexes. Wellington says there is none and the City of St. Paul is not concerned and seems to be only too happy to have the increased tax base.

7. Steve Banks reviewed the recent non-inclusion by the Minneapolis School Board of Pratt Public School on the current list of Minneapolis Schools to be moved and/or closed and the Pratt building to remain as it is. Large numbers of Pratt parents, Prospect Park neighbors and concerned individuals made this happen. It is planned that there be a public acknowledgement of these individuals at the 04/25/05 PPERRIA Annual meeting.
8. Announcements: A) Motion made by Steve Cross, seconded by Julie Wallace and passed without noes: "That PPERRIA supports the installation of the annual Ice at Luxton Park." Appropriate individuals will be contacted. Kris Hammen, Luxton Park Director, reported that he found out this last Thursday. There was no formal notification. He indicated "Ice or No Ice" there will be a 2005 Luxton Park Fire and Ice Festival; B) Available on the Prospect Park NRP web site. <http://pperr.org> applications for proposed strategies for the Prospect Park NRP Phase II, to be received by 01/30/05; C) Lois Willand announced that there will be a Community Thanksgiving Service at PPUMC on 11/24/04 at 7:30 P.M.; D) All PPERRIA committees are reminded to forward to the PPERRIA Executive Committee, their proposed 2005-2006 budgets for the PPERRIA 2005-2006 budget to be reviewed and approved at the 04/25/05 PPERRIA Annual Meeting.
9. Florence Littman, Zoning Committee Chair reviewed the items before the committee: A) motion made by Florence Littman, seconded by Susan Larson Fleming and passed without noes: "That a letter be sent to the appropriate City of Minneapolis officials, that PPERRIA supports the waiver of the \$600 fee that is now being charged for the additional Special Condition Permit that was not one of the original permits required for the Cupcake establishment on University Avenue S.E." This seems to be the latest "gotcha"; B) The proposed UM Health complex and Fairview/University Hospital consolidation and expansion of the current UM complex. The UM consultant has recommend the site on University Avenue, west of Oak Street to Harvard Street S.E. This would remove the major commercial properties of Stadium Village. The Stadium Village Business Association was not consulted. MOTION made by Florence Littman, seconded by Susan Larson Fleming and passed without noes: "That PPERRIA send a letter of opposition to the UM's consultant." Remaining on the committee's agenda is the earlier proposed University of Minnesota Boat House proposed to be located on the earlier UM showboat site at Minneapolis River Flats Park, no current information has been received; C) The Travelers Building at 2800 University Avenue S.E. will be removing their free standing sign, to be replaced with one attached to the building. The earlier sign tended to obstruct traffic; D) The Kemp's facility at 29th and University Avenue S.E. is for sale. Kemps has moved to other facilities. Included is 18,000 square feet of office space, 32,000 square feet of warehouse space, 10,000 square feet of garage space, 15,000 square feet of freezer space and 5,000 square feet of shop. The committee is working on saving the "Samantha, the Kemp's Cow" sign; E) The Tower Grocery site has been sold. The new owner would like to add a second floor of living space with the use of the existing space as unknown. Joan of Art has a building at the east end of the Franklin Avenue Bridge in the Seward neighborhood; F) There is a new owner of the Stadium Village Mall at Ontario and Washington Avenues S.E. The new owner has indicated that the current zoning of C1 does not allow some possible uses. The building is 80% vacant and as the remaining leases expire, they will not be renewed; G) Received from the Fulton Neighborhood

Organization, was a request for PPERRIA's experiences with CVC, especially their request for a zoning change to build a big box drug store.

10. Joyce Barta, Prospect Park-NRP Coordinator, referred all to the Prospect Park-NRP Contractor Activities Report as published in the 11/04 PPERRIA Newsletter. See attached Item 10,

11/12. New/Old Business: There were no old or new business items at this meeting.

13) Motion made, seconded and passed without noes:" That this meeting be adjourned." There was no additional business conducted at this meeting.

Daniel Patenaude, Secretary

Written changes and/or comments to 117 Arthur Avenue S.E. or marko029@umn.edu

PPERRIA Committees and Chairs

Community Events	Lois Willand	378-9697
East River Gorge Park	Tom Kilton	339-3064
Education & Human Services	Susan Larson-Fleming	331-8819
Environment	Bill Kahn	378-5287
Executive	Steve Banks	321-9064
History Project	Betts Zerby	379-8095
Housing Redevelopment	Florence Littman Dean Lund	331-2970 378-2486
Housing Improvement	Andy Mickel	331-8396
Landscape	Mary Alice Kopf	379-7436
Landscape subcommittee: Tree Health Project	Paula Denman	338-1871
Membership	Dan Patenaude Tom Kilton	378-3038 339-3064
Tower Hill Park	Susan Thrash	379-4587
Transportation and Land Use	John Dewitt Phil Anderson	338-1871 627-9471
Zoning & Plan Review	Florence Littman Phil Anderson	331-2970 627-9471

December/January NRP/PPERRIA Contractor Activities

Reporting period November 5, 2004 through January 7, 2005. Major activities and results:

Supported various PPERRIA committees and the Executive Committee		Maintained the neighborhood calendar & supported production of PPERRIA newsletter	
Worked to wind up Phase I of NRP		Worked to begin planning of NRP Phase II	
Expense for contractors' services:	Hours billed	Total expense	% of total Budget
Totals 11/05/04 to 01/07/05	52.50	\$ 1,050.00	0.6 %
Totals 10/18/95 to 11/05/04	10,136.66	\$172,585.15	98.3 %
Totals 10/18/95 to 11/05/04	10,189.16	\$173,635.15	98.9 %

Total revised PPERRIA NRP budget for independent contractor services = \$188,873.46*; **\$1,904.29*** remains.
 * These revised amounts reflect additional funds reallocated to this strategy 11/27/00, 2/27/01, 6/25/01 and 7/22/02 and adds in funds from Safety & Security A.1. Block club coordination, PARC B.2. History editor and from Education A.1.a. Neighborhood learning center – Education committee worker and Neighborhood Education Worker, \$15,000 from Education A.1.a Pratt Liaison (contract 12/3/03) and \$7,250 of Phase II Development funds. *NOTE: Current NRP Contractors include Kari Simonson, Block Club Coordinator and Joyce Barta, Implementation Coordinator, whose contracts expire 10/30/04, and Janet Madzey-Akale, Education Worker, whose contract expires 12/15/04.*
 Total PPERRIA Funds Available for Buckthorn Removal per Exec. Committee 7/8/02: \$1,400.00;
 Total PPERRIA Staff Funds spent to date: \$168; Total Hard Costs spent to date: \$0; Total Remaining: \$1,232.00.

-Joyce Barta

Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar

To include items in PPERRIA calendar, contact Joyce Barta at 378-9268 by **Thursday, February 10, 2004.**

Date and Time	Event and Location	Whom to Contact
Monday, 7:30-9 pm January 17	NRP Steering Committee meeting at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Tuesday, January 18	JOY Outing Call for information.	Kris Hammes 370-4925 Roberta Mark 331-6621
Tuesday, 7:00 pm January 18	(Tentative) Zoning & Planning Committee meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
Thursday, 6-8 pm January 20	Pratt Council Meeting at Pratt Community Center; rides available	Greg Bernstein 378-3489
Monday, 7:00 pm January 24	PPERRIA BOD & Membership meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587
Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm January 26	Garden Club location TBA	Mary Alice Kopf 378-7436
Saturday, 6 pm potluck January 29 7 pm music	Cabin Fever Event at Prospect Park United Methodist Church, potluck, then music by Timbre Junction	PPUMC office 378-2380

Date and Time	Event and Location	Whom to contact
Monday, 7:00 pm	Transportation and Land Use Planning Committee at St. Francis Cabrini Church	John DeWitt 338-1871
Wednesday, February 2, 7:30 pm	Luxton Park Council meeting at Luxton Park	Jim Widder 331-6129
Friday, February 4, 11 am-1 pm	JOY Book Club at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Saturday, February 5, 5:30-8:30pm	Fire and Ice Festival at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Tuesday, February 8, 6:30 pm	Environmental Committee meeting at U Garden	Bill Kahn 378-5287
Wednesday, February 9, 5:00 pm	Glendale Resident Organization meeting at 92 St. Mary's Ave.	William Tweet 342-1952
Monday, February 14, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm	JOY Pot Luck at Pratt	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Monday, February 14, 7:00 pm	PPERIA Executive Committee meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587 321-9064
Tuesday, February 15	JOY Outing Call for information.	Kris Hammes 370-4925 Roberta Mark 331-6621
Tuesday, February 15, 7:00 pm	(Tentative) Zoning & Planning Committee meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
Thursday, February 17, 6-8 pm	Pratt Council Meeting at Pratt Community Center; rides available	Greg Bernstein 378-3489
Wednesday, February 23, 6:30-8:30 pm	Garden Club location TBA	Mary Alice Kopf 378-7436
Friday, February 25, TBA	Student performance of Shakespeare's play "Much Ado About Nothing," <i>Pratt, time TBA</i>	Deb Clark 668-1122
Monday, February 28, 7:00 pm	PPERIA BOD & Membership meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587

Day and Time	Recurring Community Events	Whom to contact
Mondays noon - 4pm Tues, Thurs 10am - 4pm	Food, toys, art supplies, seasonal clothing, necessities can be donated to Care & Share Food Shelf, 92 St. Mary's Ave. Donations can also be left at Prospect Park United Methodist Church or at Luxton Park.	Ginia Klamecki 331-7056 Shirley Davis 342-1952
	Bookmobile – There is currently no bookmobile service.	Bookmobile 630-6630
Tuesdays 7:00 pm	Community Choir at Prospect Park United Methodist Church (Note: does not meet during the summer)	Curt Oliver 763-208-6556
Fridays 10am - noon	Luxton Painters at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925

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