Notes from the president – items that have PPERRIA’s attention

Pratt Community School will likely enroll over 200 K-5 students this fall – compared with 81 this past year. We plan to devote a major part of the June Board meeting to learning more about the implications of this development for the neighborhood and for the many programs housed at Pratt.

Development along the University Avenue corridor

**MOTION:** To release $27,229 from Prospect Park’s NRP Phase II Plan, PPERRIA Administration section, to fund general administrative support, including staff time and office expenses.

This program comes directly from the Phase II Plan as approved by a majority of neighborhood residents at a meeting called for this purpose on June 29, 2005.

There are no competing projects for these funds at this time.

**Notice:** Luxton Park will have extended hours this summer, thanks to community support.

Park hours will be 11:00 am to 9:00 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and 11:00 am to 10:00 pm on Thursdays and Fridays.

The extended hours, with a focus on teens, will be from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm on Thursdays and Fridays.

Membership reminder

All are welcome at PPERRIA meetings, but only members can vote – or serve on our board. We’ll gladly take your dues but remember, it is your responsibility to fill out the member application form. Until you do that, and get it to Joyce Barta, you are not a listed member.

If you have paid your dues but your name does not appear on the mailing label of your newsletter, it probably means you have NOT renewed! (Oops, that means me….the editor.)

PPERRIA Board/Membership Meeting Notice

Monday, June 25th, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

At the Prospect Park United Methodist Church of Orlin and Malcolm Avenues Southeas.

Come early for treats and conversation 6:30 – 7:00 pm.

If you have special needs requiring accommodation please contact Joyce Barta at bartajm@yahoo.com and we will make every attempt to meet that need.
• The Citgo (now Metro Petro) station will undergo significant new construction this summer.

• Further down the avenue the University’s new cancer housing facility nears completion.

• At Arthur Avenue, M-Flats, which will contain 44 new condominium units, is well underway to completion in the fall.

• Recently plans were submitted to the city for a multi-story office building to replace three rundown duplex houses near 30th St.

The pace of this development is likely to increase as LRT plans become more of a reality. We are working to have an opportunity to shape such development for the benefit of our neighborhood.

National historical district designation for Prospect Park is on track and will require some community decisions. The proposal will undergo state review in October, after which the application will be forwarded to Washington, D.C. in 2008. As a part of that process the State Preservation Office will be sending a notification to the property owners of all the participating historical properties. This will be preceded by a neighborhood meeting sometime in July.

Good news for Prospect Park: A bill that provides $750,000 for the University/City/Neighborhood Alliance was passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor! This is a historic opportunity for the University neighborhoods to develop projects that will address crime and livability issues, as well as the declining housing stock.

...........................................Dick Poppele
Minutes of the PPERRIA Annual Meeting of the Membership and Board of Directors – Monday, May 21, 2007, 7:15 p.m. – at PPUMC

President Dick Poppele called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

1. New members and board members and guests were welcomed. Thanks to Meredith Poppele for refreshments, and to Joe Ring for his faithful service were expressed by President Poppele.

2. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Lois Willand. Passed without noes.

3. A motion to approve the minutes of the April Annual Meeting was made by Dean Abrahamson. Passed without noes.

4. Minneapolis Park Board: John Oganagi introduced himself as the new Park Board District Manager. He manages Commissioner Districts 1 and 2 (Olson and Dziedzik). John is the person to call with any Park problems. He said that the Park Board is preparing a Comprehensive Master Plan for the Park System, the first in 40 years. He believes that airconditioning for Luxton is coming.

5. Luxton Park: Eric Cherland, the Luxton Park manager, spoke to the need for funding for extended hours programs at Luxton. The prior Phat Summer program was not funded by the Park Board for the coming summer. Luxton funding is short by $8,000 from last year. A motion to release a $1,085.95 in remaining NRP funds for Luxton to help meet the shortfall was made by John Holmquist. Approved without noes. Lois Willand moved that an additional $1,500 grant be made by PPERRIA to Luxton to further relieve the shortfall. Approved without noes. This amount will match $1,500 donated by Pratt Council.

6. Administrative Funds Release: Dick Poppele announced that a motion to release $27,229 in NRP funds will be presented to the Board at the June meeting of the Association.

7. Committee Organization and Membership Approval: President Poppele noted that the organization of PPERRIA Committees had become somewhat confused, and the tonight’s meeting was dedicated to a reorganization and approval of the PPERRIA Committees: Standing Committees and their members where listed:

Executive Committee

President Dick Poppele
Immediate Past President: Joe Ring
Secretary: Betts Zerby
Treasurer: Lois Willand
Vice President (newsletter editor) John Holmquist
Vice President (membership): Tom Kilton
Vice President (Website/Database) Andy Mickel / Cheryl Vollhaber (shared)
Vice President (Zoning): Florence Littman
Vice President: (Finance): Tony Garmers
Vice President: Phil Anderson
Vice President: Susan Larson-Fleming

Livability Committee

Chairman: Joe Ring
Dorothy Davey
Betty Burton
Peter Lucas
Noreen Keilty
John DeWitt

Dave Walters
Richard Adams
Peter Rejto
Gratia Reynolds (community events)
Betts Zerby (History project)
Mary Alice Kopf (landscape)
Tom Kilton (East River Gorge Park)
Dean Abrahamson (Environment)
Karen Murdock
Ann Munt
Kate Galle

Zoning and Land Use

Chairperson: Florence Littman
Phil Anderson
David Barnhart
Tom Clausen
Bridget Ferguson
Richard Gilyard
Mary Alice Kopf
Clay Lambert
Task Forces for specific short term projects were announced as:

8. **SAAG Committee**  Richard Poppele reported that the SAAG group was currently forming a Funding Task Force to accept applications for use of the $1.5 million mitigation fund. PPERRIA’s representative on the task force will be Steve Banks, with Dean Abrahamson an alternate.

9. **Announcements**

   A request for items to be donated for the Ice Cream Social Silent Auction was made by Bridget Ferguson. Items donated are on the Prattschool.org website.

   Gracia Reynolds announced that the summer concerts will be held on June 19 and July 17. Help was solicited for posting notices.

   The Garden Walk will be held on June 23, approximately 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

   The Ice Cream Social to be held June 1 needs help with the food and games. People were asked to sign up for shifts.

10. A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Peters. Passed without noes.
Respectfully submitted,

Betts Zerby, Secretary

Contractor Activities May 3 – June 7, 2007

This month, contractor’s services were paid by PPERRIA as per the 2007 - 2008 budget. There were 31.25 billable hours, an expense of $750. Total budgeted: $1040. Amount remaining: $290. The total remaining in the NRP administration budget is approximately $6,000.

PPERRIA Standing Committees and Chairs

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Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar

To include items in PPERRIA calendar, contact Joyce Barta at bartajm@yahoo.com by Thursday, July 5th.

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<td>JOY Book Club Call for information.</td>
<td>Roberta Mark 331-6621</td>
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<td><strong>First Tee golf program for ages 7-17</strong>. Meet at Luxton Park. Transportation to Columbia Golf Course Learning Center will be provided.</td>
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<td><strong>(Tentative) Zoning &amp; Planning Committee meeting</strong> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church</td>
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<td><strong>JOY Picnic</strong> at Luxton Park. Bring some food to share.</td>
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TWO PROSPECT PARK SUMMER CONCERTS
TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 7:30
RAIN OR SHINE – AND THEY’RE FREE!

• JUNE 19: THE EDDIES
An a capella men’s group singing upbeat folk songs, work songs and sea chanteys. Fresh from the Minnesota Folk Festival, Irish Fair and Landmark Center.

• JULY 17: THE LIGHT OF THE MOON
An Irish-Celtic Band of mandolin, whistle, flute, guitar, banjo, harmonica, spoons, digeridoo, tuba and voice. Reels and jigs for folkdancing, contradancing, art fairs and farmer’s markets – Come to dance!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR JUNE 19 AND JULY 17 at 7:30 P.M.
Join friends and neighbors for two musical, fun-filled evenings outside at Pratt (indoors, if it rains).

Performances are at the Pratt School Amphitheater, Malcolm and Orlin (at the base of Tower Hill) and are sponsored by PPERRIA, Pratt Council and by Tom at Schneider Drug.

In case of rain, performances will be in the Prospect Park Methodist Church Sanctuary, across from Pratt School. (Enter by the ramp from Orlin.) Both sites wheelchair accessible.

Summer concerts in the neighborhood are organized by volunteers and supported by donations from those who attend. The concerts are for all ages. Bring your friends, bring the kids as well as the Grands – all will enjoy the music. Some bring picnics, some are inspired to dance. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, or sit on the steps.

*The concerts are put on by a volunteer committee, who can always use*
more help. If you want to be part of the concert planning, contact Christina Larson,  <larsonchristina@gmail.com>

PERRIA Web Site:  http://www.pperr.org

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