March 2005 PPERRIA Newsletter

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PPERRIA Board/Membership Meeting Notice/Agenda



Monday, March 28th, 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 2/28/05
- 3. Information:
- 4. Items for Consideration:

Motion: To reallocate \$15,000 to Administration

Motion: To spend up to \$800 to send Membership Letter to Neighborhood

Proposal for consolidation of committees and task forces

Policy issue for how to bring forth work items to be considered by the Board

- 6. Announcements
- 7. New/Old Business
- 8. Adjourn

Proposed Motion:

To reallocate \$15,000 of NRP Phase I funds from the Block Nurse program (Education and Human Services C.1.) to Implementation Coordinator (Administration 1.a.). The Block Nurse Program was carried out; the funds were not claimed by Hennepin County.

Proposed Motion:

To spend up to \$800 to print and mail letter to the Prospect Park/East River Road residents to encourage membership in PPERRIA.

Proposal For Consolidation Of PPERRIA Committees And Task Forces

The Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association, Inc. will be made up of the following committees of the Corporation: Executive, Nominating, Personnel, Livability, Zoning and Land Use,

The Livability Committee will be made up of the old Housing, Transportation, Parks and Recreation, Membership, Environment, and Tower Hill Park Committees.

Membership of the Zoning and Land Use and Livability Committees will not be Limited to those who are PPERRIA members, but all members must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Proposal For PPERRIA Policy On Procedures To Bring Forth Reports And Work Items To Be Considered By The Board

At all regular monthly Board / Membership meetings the Livability, Zoning and Land Use Committees will make reports to the board on all issues and work items under consideration by the committee. Any and all action items taken by the committees must be in writing and will be included into the minutes of the Board / Membership meeting.

Any proposed resolution either by committee or individual must be in writing Before it can be voted on, and be included into the minutes of the Board / Membership meeting.

Blank forms will be available at each Board / Membership meeting for those who wish to present a resolution.

Committees will follow the normal committee process outlined in Article 5 Section C & D of the PPERRIA Bylaws.

Special Meeting

Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Neighborhood Revitalization Program

Give your input on how to spend Phase 2 NRP funds of \$330,000.

April 20 – Wednesday -- 7 to 10 PM Luxton Park Community Center Gym

Overview of NPR guidelines and proposals

Survey of priorities and goals to help develop an NRP Action Plan

Final vote on Action Plan will be taken at a later meeting to be announced.

More information about NRP and proposals at:

http://www.pperr.org

Recommendations also accepted by mail to Pratt Community Center at 66 SE Malcolm Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55414 or by email to bartajm@yahoo.com until the end of April.

1/2. The 02/28/05 Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. (PPERRIA)

History Committee Needs Help

"Under the Witch's Hat" may be reprinted. We need to correct the errors first. If you are aware of any errors, please let us know. E-mail or call Betts Zerby at ejzerby@yahoo.com, (612) 379-8095.

Minutes of 2/28/05 Meeting

- 1/2. The 02/28/05 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. Introduced were guests and first time attendees. Motion made by Mary Alice Kopf, seconded by John Kari and passed without noes: "To accept the amended agenda for this meeting that was available at this meeting. Item 9: To 9-A, University of Minnesota [UM] Stadium Task force; and 9-B, Bridal Veil Falls Bridge report, Karen Murdock; Added to Item 12, Announcements were; Bill Kahn, Environment; Tom Kilton, River George Clean Up; and to Item 13, Zoning, Dave Barnhart, Marigold building. A quorum of the Board Of Directors (BOD) was present. Second Ward Council member and PPERRIA member Paul Zerby abstained on all motions. See attached Item 1. This meeting is governed by Robert's Rule's of Order. Items attached to these minutes were available at this meeting. There were no additional items added to this agenda.
- 1. Motion made by John Kari, seconded by Susan Larson Fleming and passed without noes: "That the minutes of the 11/22/04 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting as published in the 01/05 PPERRIA Newsletter as amended be accepted." To be amended was Item 6, Good Neighbor Agreement with Rock-Tenn Corporation. Bill Kahn will send to the secretary an alternate wording that will not change meaning of the item. A motion by Steve Ficker to table approval of the minutes was not seconded. See attached Item 3.
- 2. Joe Ring indicated that the suggestion by Jerry Stein of a "Cook Out" by the neighborhood for "student" residents of the neighborhood be considered. The S. E. Como neighborhood has held such an event and it was considered a success by all concerned. The UM has indicated a willingness to help with the event. As is necessary for all ideas to happen, a person is needed to take charge. Contact Joe Ring at 612 379 4587.
- 3. Steve Cross reported that the 02/22/05 Candidate's Night has around 300 attendees. St. Frances Cabrini donated use of their hall and expenses were minimal to print flyers that were then distributed by volunteers. He suggested that there be considered a similar forum for the general election. See attached Item 5
- 4. Joe Ring reported that the nomination process for PPERRIA Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, Executive Committee and Officers has started. As per the by-laws, he has appointed a Nomination Committee of individuals who volunteered; Susan Larson Fleming-Chair and Steve Cross, Dean Lund and Gary Shalcross. If you are interested in volunteering for any of the positions, call 612-331-8819. Sign up sheets are at the 02/05 and 03/05 PPERRIA B/M/N Meetings. The committee's tasks are to: A) Draft a slate of Board of Directors candidates from the membership; B) Draft a slate of corporation officers and members of the Executive Committee from the Board of Directors; and C) Draft a slate of Standing Committee chairs from the membership. He also provided a copy of a letter that will be circulated to the membership asking those that would like to participate and/or be candidates to contact the nominating committee. See attached Item 6.
- 5. Joe Ring indicated that the S.E. Bicycle Task Force is looking volunteers. The "Minneapolis Bicycle Grand Round" of the Bicycle master Plan will be complete once the Franklin/27th Avenues S.E. through northeast route is identified and completed. The neighborhoods included have been asked to provide members. Contact Joe Ring at 612 379 4587.
- 6. Joe Ring indicated that there is needed a third person to join Susan Larson Fleming and Betts Zerby on the Planning Task Force for the S.E. Minneapolis Library. To be considered is the use of the current building as well as services within the neighborhood, e.g. Bookmobile. Contact Joe Ring at 612-379-4587.
 - 9-A) Steve Banks reviewed the current status of the UM Football Stadium Task Force that meets monthly. He and Florence Littman, alternative, are the PPERRIA members who were at the recent meeting. There will be an Environmental Worksheet Assessment. The Task Force was reminded that all of the other issues of the stadium area need to be included, such as University Transit Corridor/LRT.
 - 9-B Karen Murdock, reviewed the latest on the issue of the 65 year old bridge on East River Parkway over the Bridal Veil Falls. This is just west of the intersection of Franklin, East River Parkway and 27th Avenues S.E. The bridge needs to be replaced and the city is using this as an opportunity to see if there can be a more public viewing of the falls, an option preferred at the latest neighborhood meeting. Replacing the bridge as it now is with a possible overhang so that the falls could be seen from the parkway. The possibility of constructing a round-about at the intersection-several versions-remains separate of the issue of the bridge replacement. There are three users, vehicles—bikes/pedestrians—river trail, that need to be considered as well as the though-the-intersection traffic, the residents/businesses of the

intersection, and the neighborhood. Of specific concern: impact on the neighborhood of pedestrian/bicycle through the intersection and the through traffic. Any proposed bridge work would retain the existing style. See the 01/21-02/17 The Southeast Angle article. There were questions about the continued operation of the falls. The poor condition of the existing bridge will necessitate something being done soon. For more information see www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/public-works/cip/bridal-veil/ or 612-673-3617 Kelly Moriarity.

- 1. Motion made by Steve Cross, seconded by John Keri and not passed, with some yeses: "That it is PPERRIA policy that a proposed response to a public agency, about a public issue that is or may be considered by that public agency, must be based on a specific written proposal in the records of that public agency. That is, neither the PPERRIA Board of Directors, nor the Executive committee, nor any committee may act on a response to any public agency that are based on rumors of what may be proposed to or considered by that public agency." Steve reviewed the proposed motion. Policy cannot be made on rumor or as a knee jerk action. This was in reference to the motions adopted at the 01/24/05 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting concerning proposed non public use of Minneapolis Park Board property. An extensive discussion was held. There was concern that if PPERRIA waited until there was a public written by a public agency, it would be a "done deal" and PPERRIA could not take pro-active action. PPERRIA could not assist other community groups on issues that affect both communities. PPERRIA would also not be able to reference earlier positions taken. At this time, it may be most useful to codify earlier PPERRIA positions. The issue will be on the 03/14/05 PPERRIA Executive Committee agenda. A motion to call the question was made by Steve Cross, seconded by Dick Hendricks and passed with some noes. See attached Item 10.
- 2. Joe Ring indicated that at the 03/28/05 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting there will be a motion: "That the PPERRIA Executive Committee recommends to the PPERRIA BOD that \$15,000.00 of Prospect Park NRP-Phase I funds that are unclaimed by Hennepin County for purposes of funding the S.E. Block Nurse program be reallocated to Prospect Park-NRP Administrative purposes." Joe Ring reviewed the motion. These funds were for services that Hennepin County provided to the S.E. Block Nurse program during Phase I of the Prospect Park-NRP Action Plan. Three calls have been made to the county with no responses by the county. NRP said that they have not received a billing from the county and the county has indicated that they cannot find a entry in their records, so that Prospect Park-NRP can send a check to the county. It is the opinion that there probably was a miscoding at the county and that the services were paid by county funds used for similar purposes. All seem to feel that this is the best way to bring closure to the issue as NRP I is considered closed. As the fiscal agent for Prospect Park-NRP Phase I, PPERRIA can reallocate to existing Phase I funds, unspent funds from Phase I strategies that have been closed if the amount is less than \$25,000.00. Amounts greater than this require neighborhood action.
- 3. Announcements: A) Steve Cross and Dick Poppele, Prospect Park NRP Phase II Steering Committee chairs, that the Steering Committee has developed a neighborhood public meeting schedule to construct an Action Plan: 04/05, a rank order of proposals meeting; 05/05, acceptance of proposals meeting; 06/05, meeting at which be accepted a full Action Plan that will be presented to NRP and for acceptance by the city; Fall 05, the start of the implementation of the Action Plan. The housing mandates of NRP II seem to be clearer with definitions, etc.; B) Betts Zerby indicated that there about 30 remaining unsold copies of the neighborhood history book. The committee continues to collect corrections on the first edition with the possibility of a second printing with corrections. A second edition would be nice but would be required is a re-doing of the printing at a large cost. Also being considered are other publications using in different forms the mountain of material collected; C) Tom Kilton reminded all that there is to be a River Clean Up on 04/23/05 in conjunction with the activities of Earth Day. The neighborhood cleans up the river area in the spring and in the neighborhood in the fall; D) Joyce Barta requested several vote counters for the annual meeting on 04/28/05. Contact her at 612-378-9268; E) Bill Kahn announced that there is a joint environment meeting on 04/02/05 at 6 p.m. at Van Cleve Park. He hopes there will be a Prospect Park person there along with South East Como and St. Anthony Park.
- 4. Zoning: Note: Tom Kilton chaired the meeting for this motion as the maker is the regular chair of this meeting. Motion made by Joe Ring, seconded by Susan Larson-Fleming and passed without noes: "That the Proposal For Traffic Remediation be adopted by PPERRIA. With the information provided by the City of Minneapolis with its Semi planning process and University United's analysis of future transportation needs study of the Midway industrial are, it has become clear that that traffic in the Prospect Park East River Road community will increase in the next 10 to 20 years at a rate far beyond acceptable limits. Measures must be taken as soon as possible to deal with this issue. A) We propose that any development project such as, but not exclusive to, the University of Minnesota sports stadium, Hubbard property and central Transit Corridor must include a plan to remediate negative traffic impacts not just for the project but for development patterns of the Midway-Highway 280 area as a whole. B) We propose that PPERRIA make all effort to see if it would be possible for the St. Anthony Park Community council to work collectively with PPERRIA to develop a joint resolution on this issue and present this to all city, county and metropolitan governments for their consideration." Joe Ring reviewed the motion. This is a request for a Memo Of Agreement. There have been numerous individually done studies of the many parts of this issue. This issue seems to be one of those that the whole is greater

than the parts. Needed is acknowledgement and action of this by those parties that have decision making capability on this issue. This is especially critical, in that the City of St. Paul is of the opinion that the parts in St. Paul do not contribute to the perceived problems. Florence Littman, Zoning Committee Chair, reviewed the items before the committee. A) Dave Barnhart, owner of the properties at 2800 and 2812 University Avenue S.E., reviewed his proposed purchase of the Kemp's facility at 29th and University Avenue S.E. which is for sale. Kemps is moving 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 site is tentatively named "Prospect Park Properties." Mixed use is proposed for the current development on the site. Once the Central Transit Corridor is established, there will be reconsideration of the use of the site. He has a purchase agreement of \$3 million that may not be completed as there are problems on the site that would require up to \$1 million of cost. There are several others interested in the site, including the University of Minnesota that would store heavy equipment now stored at the fairgrounds on the site. B) The long ago proposed project by the Wall Developers of research facilities for the UM in the area north of University Avenue S.E. along the UM Transitway has been reopened. Wall has requested that the concrete from the demolition of the existing grain silos on the site be crushed to usable materials on the site rather than trucked out and then some trucked back in. The trade-of is less truck traffic, but more dust and noise. Bill Kahn, Dean Lund and Vera Marshall are PPERRIA representatives to the South East Industrial Development [SEID] Committee that represents that area. Expressed was the opinion that PPERRIA's experience with issues of concern in the SEID area, that SEID did not consider these issues to PPERRIA's satisfaction in spite of the efforts of PPERRIA's representatives; C) The proposed Metro Lofts "at Prospect Park" in St. Paul one University Avenue just over the border, has requested variances for their development. The City of St. Paul will decide. This is an example why the above motion (Item 13-A) is in order; D) SuperAmerica continues to request a zoning change for the site of their station on University and Bedford Avenues S.E., from C1 to C2, able to expand beyond existing site and fully auto related. This is counter to the adjacent area. Again another example why the above motion (Item 13-A) is in order. They have also proposed purchase of the Clary site adjacent to the west end of their existing property. It is possible that their proposal can include a consideration to remedy the existing traffic problem; E) SKB, the recycle refuse transfer s?? ?th Street and Malcolm S.E., has notified the committee that they will be renting the facility to another party which will require a permit review. As there seems not to be a functioning Environment Committee, someone else needs to be the PPERRIA contact regarding the permit; F) On 03/21/05 at Cabrini church, there will be a University Avenue Transit Corridor meeting.

- 5. Joyce Barta, Prospect Park-NRP Coordinator, referred all to the Prospect Park-NRP Contractor Activities Report as published in the 02/05 PPERRIA Newsletter. Billed 01/07/05 to 02/11/05 is \$835.00 (41.75 hours) for meetings, committees and newsletter of Prospect Park NRP I and II and PPERRIA. Total billed 10/18/95 to 02/11/05 is \$174,470.15. See attached Item 14.
 - 15/16) New/Old Business: There was no old or new business at this meeting.
 - 17. Motion made by Susan Larson Fleming, seconded by Karen Murdock 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

March NRP/PPERRIA Contractor Activities

Reporting period February 11, 2005 through March 10, 2005. Major activities and results:

Supported various PPERRIA committees and the Executive Committee	Maintained the neighborhood calendar &		
Worked to wind up Phase I of NRP	Worked to begin		
Expense for contractors' services:	Hours billed	Total expense	% of total Budget
Totals 02/11/05 to 03/10/05	35.00	\$ 700.00	0.4 %
Totals 10/18/95 to 02/11/05	10,230.91	\$174,470.15	99.3 %
Totals 10/18/95 to 03/10/05	10,265.91	\$175,170.15	99.7 %

Total revised PPERRIA NRP budget for independent contractor services = \$188,873.46*; **\$369.29*** 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.

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	undecided	
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

Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar

To include items in PPERRIA calendar, contact Joyce Barta at 378-9268 by **Wednesday, March 30, 2005.**

Date and Time	Event and Location	Whom to
	NRP Steering Committee meeting at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm March 23	Garden Club location TBA	Mary Alice Kopf 378-7436
Friday, 11:30 am-1:30 pm March 25 3:30-5:30 pm	Public musical at Schneider Drug. It will be a concert of spring music, a concert of hope	Tom Sen Gupta
Saturday, 11am – 1 pm March 26	Bunny Brunch at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Sunday, March 27	Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast at	PPUMC office 378-2380
Monday, 7:00 pm March 28	PPERRIA BoD & Membership meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587
Friday, 11 am-1 pm April 1	JOY Book Club at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Monday, 7:30-9:30 pm April 4	NRP Steering Committee meeting at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Wednesday, 7:30 pm April	Luxton Park Council meeting at Luxton Park	Jim Widder 331-6129
Monday, 11:30 am - April 11 1:30 pm	JOY Pot Luck at Pratt	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Monday, 7:00 pm April 11	PPERRIA Executive Committee meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587 321-9064
Monday, 7:30-9:30 pm April 18	NRP Steering Committee meeting at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Tuesday, April 19	JOY Outing Call for information.	Kris Hammes 370-4925 Roberta Mark 331-6621
Tuesday, 7:00 pm April 19	(Tentative) Zoning & Planning Committee meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
Thursday, 6-8 pm April 21	Pratt Council Meeting at Pratt Community Center; rides available	Greg Bernstein 378-3489
Saturday, registration April 23 9:00 am	Mississippi River Gorge Cleanup meet at East River Road and Franklin Ave SE at the kiosk	Tom Kilton 339-3064

	PPERRIA ANNUAL BoD & Membership meeting at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587
Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm April 27	Garden Club location TBA	Mary Alice Kopf 378-7436

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

For current information on the status of Pratt School, see the Save Pratt! website at http://44clarence.com/pratt. Also, 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.

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