Windom Board Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2019

Attending Board Members: Jacky Junek (P), Becky McIntosh (T), Veronica Walther (VP), Patrick Barrett, Pat Soulak (O@L), Brian O’Shea, and Michelle Hemingway.

Additional Attendees: Mario Vargas (Administrative Coordinator), Jeremy Schroeder (Ward 11, Minneapolis City Council), David Rubidor (NCR Director), Casey Carl (City Clerk)

Meeting:

* Jacky called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
* Jeremy Schroeder update:
  + No real update on the hotel
  + Budget is biggest the biggest issue at City Hall right now
    - budget.minneapolismn.gov
    - Can go to site and make comments, this gives a chance to hear residents’ concerns
    - Big focus on seniors, including critical services like block nurses
  + Affordable housing also a concern
    - Lower monetary proposal this year ($30 million vs. $40 million last year)
    - Inclusionary zoning - will be enacted on Jan 1st along with 2040
      * Trying for every building to be required to have affordable housing, but need to keep the balance with the housing market
  + The semi-truck parking ordinance is in progress
    - File 2019-00855 - Truck parking ordinance
* Update from David Rubidor, NCR Director and Casey Carl - City Clerk
  + 2020 is a big year for Minneapolis!
  + 2020 Census update
    - Census is done every 10 years
    - Census date is April 1, 2020
    - MN is at risk of losing a district as well as funding if census undercounts our population
    - Without any extra effort, about 95,000 Minneapolis residents would be missed in census count - this would be a loss of $2.7 billion over 10 years for Minneapolis alone
    - This is the first year, census will be online
    - Need neighborhood help to get everyone counted!
      * Complete Count Committee is open for anyone to join
  + 2020 Elections
    - MN will hold a presidential primary in addition to party caucuses
      * March 3rd is our presidential primary - Super Tuesday
      * There will be 4 ballots for primary election for the 4 top MN parties
      * No cross-party vote is allowed for the primary
* Engagement Survey update -
* Safety Committee update - Patrick is reaching out to block leaders to discuss concerns and needs
* Events Committee update -
  + Upcoming events:
    - Post-shopping event - Happy Hour at Tailgate
    - Movie Night - will be moved to summer (movie in the park?)
    - Windom Reads - Feb 1st
      * Held along with school pancake breakfast
      * WCC will have a census table at the event
    - Tots Rock - March 21st 3-6 pm
      * Provide census info at the event
* Shared Use update
  + New WCC room likely ready by March 2020
  + Contract is being decided by the school & park board. WCC will sign but won’t take part in drafting the contract
    - Will actually be 2 shared use contracts - one for indoor, one for outdoor
* Looking forward to December:
  + Approve 2020 garden contract
  + Preview updated WCC website
  + Bring a treat to share!