

ORCHARD HILLS-MAPLEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

FEBRUARY 8, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Meeting began at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Wendy Carman, John Gaffield, Brad Pritts, Emily Eisbruch, Joe Trulik, Jane Klingsten, Jerry Schulte, Susan Montgomery, Chris Watson and Katherine Borysko

CHRIS WATSON -- The meeting began with a presentation by, and then discussion with, 2nd Ward Councilmember Chris Watson. Chris discussed plans for constituent coffee hours, the U of M Credit Union project, road funding and housing issues. Questions included changes to local elections, accessibility issues in housing and Transit Corridor zoning.

MINUTES - Brad moved and Emily seconded approval of the November minutes, which were approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The report was sent out by Joe earlier in the week. Connor will assist with accessing the Google Docs showing dues status. We discussed that our budget year is June 1 through May 31, and the need for another person on the budget committee with Wendy to send out a request to the board. A motion to destroy the debit card passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

OLD BUSINESS

TC1 Committee update - Brad shared that the TC1 Committee report was sent to the board and that TC1 may be coming to Plymouth Rd. There was also discussion of the city possibly removing the R1 zoning designation from certain properties.

Database Management for Mailchimp and membership- Joe and Connor indicated that they are working on the database management process.

Solar programs - Jane reported that there were two people interested in this. Jane noted that DTE is required to meet a renewable energy goal by 2030. To the extent DTE is reaching their goal the incentives may decrease in the future. The federal tax credit is now up to 30 percent for solar. Jane will work on an information session.

Parks- Jane discussed interactions with the Parks Department regarding donating flower bed for Sugarbush.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing regarding proposed redevelopment of lot at Prairie and Plymouth - Wendy said it's been decided, pending required approvals, that the "building on stilts" will be torn down. It will be replaced by a one-story U of M credit union building. The Credit Union wants three drive-up windows. This project needs to go to the planning commission first and then to city council for approval of the drive-up windows.

Community Forum - Wendy discussed the upcoming community forum. It was agreed that it will be held on March 4

Budget and Finance Committee – Wendy discussed the need to add a board member.

Entrance Landscaping -- Wendy indicated that Jack will lead this project.

Garage Sale – Wendy proposed June 17, which was unanimously approved.

Potential Annual Meeting Date & Speaker – We agreed on June 7 with someone from the city speaking.

Newsletter- Emily discussed that it will publicize the community forum.