



Lowry Hill East Neighborhood Association

7/21/26

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Hybrid (In-Person @ 1017 W 24th St + [Google Meet](#))

Board Members:

President: ~~Elise Moore~~

Vice President: ~~Joey Daniewicz~~

Treasurer: ~~Jonah Roberson~~

Secretary: ~~Martha Burket~~

~~Preston Locke~~

~~Finn McGarrity~~

~~Nikhil Saxena~~

~~Pranay Bhargava~~

~~Julian Fernandez-Petersen~~

~~Zoe Cantu~~

~~Syd Fox~~

Staff:

~~Alexander Kurt Johnson~~

Guests:

~~Carina Aleckson (Ella Baker Inclusive Playground)~~

Meeting Agenda:

Welcome and Administrative Business

6:30PM - 6:45PM

- Call to Order & Welcome - *President*
 - Welcoming statements
 - Ice breaker
- Approval of Agenda and Rules of Order - *President*
 - **Motion:** Approve Agenda and Rules of Order
 - [Approved](#)
- Approval of [June](#) Meeting minutes

- **Motion:** Approve June Meeting minutes
 - [Approved](#)
- Treasurer's Report - *Jonah Roberson*
 - [Main update is CEE \(will be covered later in the meeting\)](#)
 - [We will be able to move some money from our N2020 to NRP dollars to cover payroll for Alexander](#)
 - **Motion:** Treasurer's report for [previous month](#)
 - [Approved](#)
 - Other News and Updates
- Executive Director Update - *Alexander Kurt Johnson*
 - Report for [June](#)

Board Agenda Items

6:45PM - 7:30 PM

- Ella Baker Playground Update
 - [Video](#)
- Commercial Grant Clarification
 - Currently ~\$25,000 remaining in Commercial Grant Pool
 - Currently ~\$45,000 in Multifamily loan pool
 - [We have promoted this loan in multiple places \(newsletter, rental ambassador\)](#)
 - Staff Recommendation: Change from *per applicant* to *per parcel*, shift \$10,000 from MF to Commercial Grant
 - [Proposed change: Cap the number of parcels per applicant](#)
 - [Proposed change: Shift \\$10000 from closed end loan to commercial grant](#)
 - [Exploratory topic: See if there is a way to cap the size of the applicant](#)
 - **Motion:** Move \$10000 from closed end revolving loan to commercial grant
 - [Approved](#)
 - **Motion:** Change loan language from "per applicant" to "per parcel" and implement 3 parcel cap per applicant
 - [Approved](#)
- Co-host Hennepin County District 3 Commissioner Forum
 - Would be with Lyndale Neighborhood Association (LNA)
 - Cost is \$250, venue and moderator already chosen by LNA
 - **Motion:** Serve as co-host for Commissioner Forum
 - [Approved](#)
 - [Recommend making a way for LHENA and LNA to get donations. Explore if we can get a table.](#)

- Neighborhood Survey Update
 - Quote finalized for \$4,795 (10,000 print and mail)
 - All set to print and mail out 10000 postcards
 - We can flyer the areas not on the route
- Factoring rent into operations (~\$1,079/month or \$12,948/year)
 - As of August we will need to start paying rent (will not be coming out of the money we have set aside)
- National Night Out Update
 - Change of format, permit complications
 - Format will no longer be a potluck, we will be getting pizza from Costco
 - Alexander got 300 popsicles from Johnny Popsicles
 - Neighbors encouraged to bring prepackaged snacks
 - We will plan to still highlight COPE (Martha can make a flyer)
- Discussion of board priorities for remainder of year
 - Has anyone connected with the Wedge Democracy Defense Network? Any opportunities to help with spreading awareness of upcoming elections?
 - Pete will do GOTV with democracy defense
 - Neighborhood Super Sale
 - Location: Office or Mueller?
 - Format: Host a marketplace or use as a fundraising event?
 - Check with Elise. Zoe can help with logistics
 - Holiday decorating thing
 - Julian would be willing to help champion
 - Event in basement is no-go due to 1 point of egress
 - Committee workshop
 - Maybe go away from agenda? But commit to quiet work time?
 - Use it to liaise with committee leads?
 - Alexander has done PEF outreach. City changed rules on max budget for orgs and timeline. We will have at least 4 orgs apply to work with LHENA
- Discussion on how board members can start initiatives/projects - Would it be possible for newer board members to “shadow” current members who have ongoing projects?
 - There's a backlog of ideas on a spreadsheet that can be shared
 - Get lessons learned from LVN
 - We need a checklist:
 - Who to advertise
 - How to report volunteers
 - How to set up a signup

Committee and Working Group Updates

8:00PM - 8:30PM

- Wedge Point Park - *Alexander Kurt Johnson*
 - Purchased for \$5,000 by MPRB
 - [New MPRB person will potentially come talk to the board](#)
- Uptown Farmers Market - *Alexander Kurt Johnson*
 - [LHENA will hopefully be able to have a table at the farmer's market](#)
- LHENA Volunteer Network -
 - FoodShare
- Environmental Committee -
 - Adopt-a-Street! (Bryant Ave S from Franklin to W 28th)
 - Successful trash pickups, garden is surviving/thriving
- Welfare & Safety Committee -
 - Updates
 - [Save a Life Box has gotten good use](#)
- Technology Committee - *Derek Nelson*
 - Updates
- Community & Economic Development - *Julian and Pranay*
 - Updates
 - [Street murals project \(learning from Bryn Mawr\)](#)

Adjourn

Post Board Meeting - TBD