

**Harrison Neighborhood Association**  
**April, 10th 2023**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**

7:10 PM Meeting called to order by President Monica Arons

Attendance taken by Secretary Dustin Ruff

**Board of Directors:**

**President:** Monica Arons

**President Elect:** Tim Davis

**Treasurer/Area 1:** Don Ostenson

**Secretary/Area 5:** Dustin Ruff

**Area 1:** ~~Open Seat~~

**Area 2:** ~~Open Seat, Richard Panzironi~~

**Area 3:** Mars Muehleis, ~~Open Seat~~

**Area 4:** ~~Chomkham Soudaly, Open Seat~~

**Area 5:** ~~Open Seat~~

**Area 6:** Gigi Finseth, Erik Cedarleaf Dahl

**At-Large:** Aaron Goldstein, Dan Justesen

**Staff:** Nichole Beuhler, Mitchel Hansen

**Resident Members:** Eric Elgin

**Guests:** Met Council presenters: Abner Gordon, Ryan Binder, Jackie Nehrbass

**Review/Approve Agenda**

1. Motion by Dan approve agenda
2. Seconded by Dustin
3. Unanimous approval. No opposition.

**Review/Approve March '23 Minutes**

1. Motion by Don to approve minutes
2. Seconded by Dan
3. Unanimous approval. No opposition.

**Met Council Presentation**

1. Members working with the Met Council provided a slideshow and packet discussing plans to build a new sewage pump station on Glenwood Ave and took questions from the Board. The Board had concerns of the current placement being located directly on Glenwood and urged the Met Council to find a location off of Glenwood.
2. Dustin will put together a letter of HNA's official position on this matter and share it with the Board prior to sending it to the Met Council and other outlets.

**Treasurer's Report**

1. Accountant asked Nichole to clear up a couple transactions/checks.
2. Nichole confirmed she submitted an invoice to Legal Aid and their payment should be arriving soon. The Accountant will be creating invoices for Legal Aid from this moment on.

3. Don updated the Board on February and March reports.
4. Monica reminded the Board that future home improvement grants need to go through committee and then to the Board for approval prior to signing check.
5. Motion by Dan to receive the Treasurers report
6. Seconded by Tim
7. Unanimous approval. No opposition.
8. Discussion regarding final payment for Legal For Good. Clarification on what was approved in a special meeting and the current budget.
9. Motion by Dan to approve an additional \$7,000 to legal to cover the full cost of Legal For Good.
10. Seconded by Dustin
11. Unanimous approval. No opposition.

### **Pull Tabs**

1. Topic deferred to a future Board meeting due to the meeting running long.

### **Annual Meeting Update**

1. Dustin updated the Board that the meeting place is confirmed at the Harrison Rec center's gymnasium. The League of Women's Voters will be assisting in running the election. We are currently working on the online voting process through ElectionRunner.com. Also, we're still working on the details of how members register for online voting if they aren't already listed as members.
2. There needs to be more guidance provided in an Election policy or the Bylaws for business or property owners that own more than one business/property and how multiple partners in one business split voting rights.

### **Equitable Engagement Plan**

1. Plan has been submitted but we have not heard back from Ariah/NCR on approval.

### **Survey Update**

1. Survey and postcard was sent to the mailing house. They need a couple adjustments/edits made and they'll be able to send out the postcard.

### **Executive Director's Report**

1. MPRB has upcoming listening sessions regarding the ash borer tree issue.
2. MURC is hosting a renter's assembly April 15th
3. MNDot is starting to work on a community engagement plan regarding the Bring Back 6th plan.
4. Copier contract would be aprx \$10k to get out of lease and would not be financially responsible at this time.
5. TC Habitat for Humanity training currently on hold.
6. Mitchel acquired 100 Twin's tickets to use for HNA promotional purposes.

7. Upcoming Earth Day events are being organized by Marcus Kar. HNA will be helping with the event and provide donuts and coffee at Peace Haven garden. Asking for volunteers.
8. Aaron had concerns about HNA's time and resources being spent on tenant's opportunity to purchase. He offered to help create opportunities for educating first time home buyer's. Discussion continued with arguments from both sides of the topic.
9. Motion by Aaron to have HNA no longer engage in activities to promote tenant's opportunity to purchase.
10. Motion passes 4-3
11. Yay's: Monica, Tim, Don, Aaron
12. Nay's: Dan, Dustin, Mars

9:13pm Motion to Adjourn by Don. Unanimous Approval.