

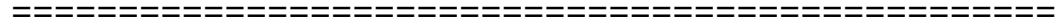


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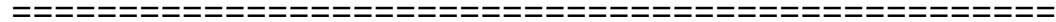
Public Meeting

Rolling Meadows Neighborhood Association
November 09, 2023



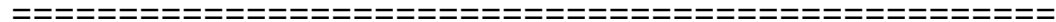
Participation

Location: Pinney Library
Webcast: N/A
Start time: 7:00 pm
Duration: 90 minutes
Attendees: Mark, Seth, Robert, Dan, Katie, Alder Derek Field



Agenda

- Alder Fields Update
- Future of RMNA
 - Marilynn and Sean have left the board
- Planning for 2024 Events
 - Wildlife Workshop
 - Ice Cream Social
 - Movie Night
 - Car wash



Minutes

Notes taken by Robert Beets, RMNA Secretary
Reviewed by RMNA Board members
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Alder Fields
[District 3](#), Madison Common Council

DISCUSSION

Streets

- [Brush, Leaf and Yard Waste](#) lookup dates
- [Winter alternate side parking rules](#), November 15 to March 15

Budget

- Both Capital and Operating budgets before the floor next week
- Overview from wisconsin policy forum
- Highlights
 - City cost estimate increase \$110 annual tax (on \$410,000 value)
 - County and school districts will also provide their estimates

Metro bus

- Metro transit improvements and changes is part of cost
- East / West starting now, with other improvements
- North / South line, pending more funding, updates soon
- Issues at University Ave and East Campus mall
- Submit feedback:
 - Via form: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/metro/contact/feedback>
 - Contacting Alder Field

Funding for Housing

- Affordable Housing Trust Fund
- City gives money to developers

PFAS

- Well 15 on East Washington Ave, shut down in 2018
- \$5 million for remediation of well

Violence prevention

- Effort to prevent gun violence at 'struggling' complexes
- Often at newer places before community, connections establish
- Funding to support project passed

Traffic Engineering

- Proposal to get another in-house engineer to carry out planning, projects
- Private sector projects taking contractors

Cares Program

- Submitted proposal to get a Cares Team a vehicle
 - \$300k for three utility vans
- Three locations and have three vehicles, calls have gone up steeply
- They have the oldest vehicles in the city's fleet
- They are wanting vans to have consultations in the vehicles
- Two years of operation
 - [First year report](#)

Traffic Engineering

Meadowlark & Cottage Grove

- Request for traffic light at Meadowlark and Cottage Grove Road

- Scored highly at recent meeting
- Additional study and design needed, next review in January

Acewood & Cottage Grove

- Didn't make the cut, but is always in the study list
- There's also a lot of pedestrians here, which I'm curious how that impacts

Onyx / Meadowlark & Acewood

- Lots of speeding on this stretch (recently a pet died)
- City does look at ancillary impacts of recent changes
- Other problems that arise in this way, sometimes get priority quicker

Harmony Apts

- Had town hall with partners, residents
- Discussing mismanagement and severe negligent issues
- Hoping to force property to do improvements with nuisance abatement
 - Nuisance threshold is three (3) issues in a 90 day term
 - Issues have to be related to how property is manage

Investigation

- Vehicle from shooting was found, abandoned
- No arrests, as of Tuesday

Meetings

- November 20 meeting with North Grand residents, others welcome to join

Future of RMNA

DISCUSSION

State of the association

- Many active members joined at the start of COVID (2020/21)
- We have had diminishing participation among community at large
- Some events have been productive though, thanks to Board participation
- Questions: How are we doing? What do we want to do?

Discussion

- Seth: I know that I could be doing more for a VP
- Robert: I know we could be doing more communications efforts
- We've done a decent job doing events we have committed to
- Events have gone well, when things line up
 - But we're also been just scrambling to get them done
- Other associations are also going through this too, diminishing participation
- We've established some connectivity with events and newsletters
- People that come to events are not ultimately coming to meetings
- When we do have public at meetings, their interests are to talk more about negative issues not not about community building

- Maybe we should focus on when and where people want to show up
 - Slip in some meeting type things at those events, rather than meetings

Question: What are other neighborhoods doing?

- Marquette
 - Alternating board and public schedule
- [Elvehjem](#)
 - Monthly board meetings
 - Have issues forums and many events, recruit prominent speakers
- Grand View has good participation
 - Will likely become a HOA at some point, have dues
 - Twice a year public meetings, and get speakers
 - Have a newsletter that goes to 1400 homes

Planning Process

- Public planning effort in 2023 for Eastside, including Rolling Meadows area
- Other areas planning efforts go well when neighborhood infrastructure exists
- Could take advantage of this process and coordinating events in parallel
- City Planning Division, [Plans](#)
- Madison is very plan-oriented with development and have significant influence
- Derek will share more as it gets figured out

Meetings

- Katy: Doesn't seem worth our time to do public meetings that are solely meetings
- Pull back on every month meetings? Perhaps every other or quarterly?
- Just to public meetings and not Board only meetings?

Leadership

- We don't really have a pipeline of leadership or officers too
- Structured meetings and promotion could certainly help, but enough?
- Scrambling to hold the events we do have
- Need better project management for events we're planning

ACTION ITEMS

- Review historical paperwork and bylaws
- Hold a Board meeting in December, focused on planning future

Next Meeting

Thursday, December 14, 2023

DISCUSSION

- Let's hold a meeting in December
- Focused on the future of RMNA

ACTION ITEMS

- Complete any required pre-meeting research
- Develop and share agenda for meeting

RESOURCES

- Notes: [RMNA Meeting 20231214 Board](#)

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