



**Mount Vernon Park Association, Inc.**

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**Minutes of the MVPA Annual Meeting  
Wednesday, February 13, 2019 - 7:45 PM  
St. Luke's Episcopal Church – Room 19**

**Present:**

Emily Bayer, President; Jim Phalen, Vice President; Chris Fulghum, Secretary; Will Lafley, Treasurer; David Starr, Chris Richey, Colin Crowther, Mary Godbout, Mike Miller, Kristine Kilbride, Sherrie Burdick, David Blondin, Tom French, Jasper Thompson and Jamey Piland.

**Absent:** Ken Rholl

**Treasurer:** Nancy Carolan

**Manager:** Duncan Wilkinson

**Call to Order:** 7:37 pm

**AGENDA**

- I. **Welcome:** Emily Cole Bayer, President of the Mount Vernon Park Association (MVPA) welcomed those attending the meeting and thanked them for their participation with the MVPA.
- II. **Approval of the 2018 Minutes: Motion** by Emily Bayer to approve the 2018 annual meeting minutes. Mike Miller seconded. The motion passed unanimously. There were no revisions.
- III. **Presentation of the Candidates for the Board of Directors:** Emily Bayer thanked the departing board members David Starr and Sherrie Burdick for their service to MVPA. She invited those up for election to make an introduction and provide a background on why they want to serve on the MVPA Board. The candidates are as follows:
  1. **Mary Godbout\***
  2. **Carlos Godby**
  3. **Kristine Kilbride\***
  4. **Eric Milito**
  5. **Jamey Piland\***
    - denotes current board member

Emily Bayer re-introduced herself and the other Board members and asked them to stand and say a few words::

**Jim Phalen  
Will Lafley  
Tom French  
Chris Fulghum  
Chris Richey  
Mike Miller  
Colin Crowther  
Jasper Thompson**

**IV. Vote Board Members (Results Later)**

Emily Bayer asked that those present turn in their ballots for the board and approval of the budget.

## V. Committee Reports:

### **FINANCE - Will Lafley**

Will Lafley presented the budget for 2019. He stated that there is not much change from 2018 budget. One of our major goals is having a surplus each year to manage future capital projects. He noted the account balances on the last page include the \$384,000 in savings. There was a question from the floor about the line items for golf cart and chairs.

### **RULES & REGULATIONS – David Starr**

David Starr thanked the board and discussed the implementation of the tennis court key project.

### **MEMBERSHIP – Jim Phalen**

Jim Phalen reported that approximately 200 people are on Membership wait list. He suggested that anyone interested in joining should get on the list now. Currently, the wait list is approximately two-seasons– Summer 2021, and average of 70-80 members that drop off each year.

### **TENNIS – Sherrie Burdick**

Sherrie Burdick stated that the tennis team is getting ready to hire coaches and they are reinstating the stroke of the week again this year. They are gearing up for the next season.

### **SWIM – Jamey Piland**

Jamey Piland noted that the winter season is going great, and they are preparing for the summer season with seeding meetings, summer coaches, and swimsuits. Gator gear up will be in mid-May. Please go to swim team site later for additional details. The team is about 260 swimmers.

### **ACTIVITIES – Kristine Kilbride (Adult) & Mary Godbout (Kids)**

Regarding Adult activities –

Kristine Kilbride requested help from volunteers for ideas and organizing. Calendar will look similar to last summer – wine tasting, campouts, July 4<sup>th</sup>, food trucks, etc. If there are activities that you want to see, please volunteer to execute. A calendar of upcoming events will continue to be sent out during the summer via email on a weekly basis.

Regarding Kids activities –

Mary Godbout asked for volunteer and ideas for the little kids. There will be a great elementary age program again this year – laser tag, movie nights, etc. If you know anyone who wants to handle a special activity for the youngest kids, please let Mary or Kristine know. Special thanks were given to James Brannon who does a lot of volunteer work behind the scenes.

### **OPERATIONS – Duncan Wilkinson**

Duncan Wilkinson reported that there will be several projects this spring such as installation of a life guard work area, security cameras (upgrade with additional access point), tennis court access under new key policy, repair of tennis court, tree work, etc.

Please refer summer lifeguards. There is a pay raise over last year, and staff applications will be done through the website. The pavilion scheduling form will also be available on-line after the park event schedule is set.

### **PLANNING & ENGINEERING – Duncan Wilkinson / Tom French**

2019 Projects

- 50M pool – 50-year-old pool. There is a possibility of the failure of the 50M and baby pool.
- Tom French provided an outline (hand out attached) to attendees for review during meeting.
- Discussion has begun on replacement of the 50M pool.
- Board would like to hire an aquatic design professional for idea gathering through an RFP.
- Preserve length but investigate new features such as “beach area” or small wading/baby area.
- Design ideas may reveal options and rough pricing through the spring and early summer.
- Focused on completing the work during the off-season.
- Goal to include the bathhouse, but all items will be financially dependent on overall budget/costs.
- Plan is to discuss on paper, then move toward budget, permitting and construction.
- Earliest would be end of 2020 season or 2021.
- Suggestions are welcome.
- Note from the floor about a including a snack bar.

## **SECURITY AND SAFETY – Jasper Thomson**

There will be an implementation of a security camera system once the Wi-Fi access points are updated. Question from the floor about the safety of storage area behind management house, and it needing attention.

### **VI. Membership Votes**

### **VIII. Election Results**

There were no nominations from the floor, a quorum was present and Nancy Carolan noted that the slate for the Board was elected as proposed by the election committee and the budget was approved.

### **VIII. Questions**

Emily Bayer noted that the monthly board meetings are held the first Monday of every month - in the winter at St Luke's and in the summer at the MVPA Pavilion.

Mike Miller mentioned getting ideas of fundraisers such as a raffle – any ideas from those present are welcome. Ward Foley mentioned that the 50M pool work must be done. This is not a project that can be delayed.

### **IX. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn, seconded and carried. **The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm**

#### **Motions:**

1. Motion to Approve the Annual Meeting Minutes – **Approved.**
2. Motion to Adjourn – **Approved.**