

**ViNA Board of Directors**  
**August 5, 2008**

Present: Ann Kaari, Diane Spector, John Trombley, Michael Anshel, Gary Mortensen, Kris Brogan,  
Staff-Debbie Nelson  
Absent: Matt Massman

The meeting was held at the ViNA office and was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Chair John Trombley. Items were added to the agenda. The May 2 minutes were corrected thus: “City of Lakes Community Land Trust”, and under CAN “Connie Beckers”. The amended agenda and the corrected May 2, 2008 minutes were approved by consensus.

**Financial Report** - Ann briefly reviewed the budget and financial reports. She noted that Debbie has requested \$10,000 for Phase II and \$4,866 for Youth Corps. She also noted that there is still \$1,495.63 in Phase I for traffic activities, and that the Lincolns for Lincoln account will soon be presented to the Park Board.

**Committee Reports** – The Business Committee recommends that the Committee be renamed the Victory Business Association. **Kris made and Gary seconded a motion to approve the change.** Kris explained that businesses were more apt to participate in an association because a committee seems like work. There was concern that calling it an association would discourage residents from participating. **Motion carried.** Ann made and Michael seconded a motion to accept a recommendation to recognize Barbara and Aaron Hardley. **Kris made and Ann seconded a motion to present them with a framed four seasons photo of Lincoln from The Warren, and to announce this in the Camden News, costs to be funded from Miscellaneous. Motion carried.** Ann reported on upcoming events. Gary reported on the Sustainability Committee. He would like to meet with each of the committee chairs to discuss a development plan. They have distributed letters about volunteering to the block clubs. Michael reported that the Housing Committee hasn’t had an official meeting because has been hard to get people to meetings. There was a long discussion of some of the details of the proposed housing programs. The Livability Committee has met and is still trying to organize a stenciling project. Diane reported that the Environment Committee has 87 signatures on the Ryan Lake trail project. **Gary made and Kris seconded a motion to pay for a portable toilet for the movie at the flagpole at a cost of \$70, from Miscellaneous funds. Motion carried.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Lincolns for Lincoln Funds**– The rehabilitation project is complete, and the project manager Nick Eloff has suggested that the neighborhood make a presentation to the park board. The Board discussed having a park board representative to the September meeting, and having Loring School students present the check.

**Route 19R Update** – Debbie reported on the status of the Board letter and the suggested information for residents to use in their own letters. The agreement has not yet been scheduled for the Public Works Committee, and the Park Board is waiting for that agreement before starting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**NNA** – Gary discussed having a proposal considered at the September meeting about electing or appointing 3 community members to represent the neighborhood rather than having Board members. It was suggested that information be included in the newsletter soliciting volunteers.

**Strong Schools Strong City** – Debbie reported that Strong Schools Strong City would like to present the proposed referendum and ask for the neighborhood’s endorsement. It was agreed to invite them to present at the August ViNA meeting.

**Northside Community Reinvestment Coalition** – Request for volunteers to review mortgage records at Hennepin County to identify mortgage holders that may be facing a change in interest rate. Board decided not to participate

**August 27 Meeting** – Strong Schools Strong City, Metro Transit Police

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Spector, Secretary  
August 25, 2008