



MNA Board of Directors Meeting 7-9:00 pm, June 29, 2026 MINUTES

Location: The Wil-Mar Center, 504 S. Brearly Street

Board Members Present:

Elle Grevstad
Eric Hamilton
Anita Krasno
Lynn Lee
Lola Manning
Lindsay Marlovits
Claire Myers
Jen Plants
Mike Tarby
Winston Thompson
Logan Wille

Community Members:

Officer Sydney Davila (virtually for the MPD Update)
Alder Davy Mayer

Excused Absences:

Del Lorenson

Call to Order: 7:01 pm

Approval of May meeting minutes: Jen moved to approve, 2nd: Eric. Motion passes, with one abstention.

MPD Update: Officer Sydney Davila

- Officer Davilla shared the options for self-reporting (rather than calling 911) and encouraged folks to use it. Reports are important for data collection and identifying bigger issues. Go here for details: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/police/report-an-incident>
- Encampment removals happen due to the city—not the MPD. If on city property, the city posts notices that the property needs to be vacated and belongings need to be removed. MPD may be there for item removal, but they are there to provide security—they are not involved in the process of removal or item storage in any way.
- MPD has been having good communication with the SJC board president.

Alder Update: Alder Davy Mayer

- The Mayor's Office is developing a strategy for addressing encampments—that can be on both city and private property.
- Mayer confirmed that the city attorney will be responding to MNA's letter re: the SJC soon.
- Mayer also noted that he is continuing to try to find a time to meet with leadership at The Beacon to discuss their "Good Neighbor Policy".
- The new lock timing of McPike Park bathrooms is delayed due to city/technical issues. Mayer will follow up with parks to see if McPike Park bathrooms can be manually opened earlier.

- There was a community meeting re: Commonwealth's development plan for the former Port St. Vincent site. The plan is for 14 units on 3 stories. Demolition is currently scheduled for September. (The board has previously voted and approved a zoning request from Commonwealth for the project.)
- School Streets was a success, and it is likely the program will continue next year. There's a survey open now to take feedback on this year's spring trial.
- There is a move to put up a temporary speed meter on E. Washington near where the recent pedestrian death occurred.
- There is concern about the safety of the intersections and pedestrian crossings where Winnebago turns into Williamson and Mayer and MNA's Traffic and Safety Committee are investigating the issues and solutions.

President's Report: Eric Hamilton

- Congrats to the board on an amazingly successful Waterfront Festival!!!
- At July's board meeting, there will be motions put forward by the Bylaws Working Group for bylaws revisions.

Preservation and Development Committee Report: Mike Tarby and Winston Thompson

- At a meeting earlier in June, Commonwealth reviewed the pressures, opportunities, and difficulties in building and sustaining affordable housing availability.
- 1053 Williamson Street has come under new ownership and developers hope to turn the property into a small hotel and restaurant. There are zoning issues that the project will need to address with the city in order to go forward. The owners will be at the July P&D meeting.

Enhancement Committee Report: Winston Thompson and Jen Plants

- Thanks to all MNA tent volunteers!!!
- 2026 Scholarships were presented to both awardees at the Waterfront Festival.
- Coming up on July 19: Kickball Tournament with TLNA!

Treasurer's Report: Elle Grevstad

- We closed May with liquid assets spread across three accounts. This is similar to our free cash in April. This is due to money from sponsorships and festival vendor income offsetting our grant to the Orton Park playground project. Activity was low in May, but in June we will recognize Waterfront revenue and start to see music and operations expenses hit the books.
- The board plans to purchase two additional card readers no later than the 2027 Waterfront Festival.
- Keep in mind that MNA makes more money from cash (as there are no credit card fees associated with that income).

Report to CommComm on forthcoming newsworthy items

Review of Board Assigned Tasks (see below)

Adjourn: Elle moved to adjourn, 2nd: Anita. Motion passes with one opposition.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:03 pm

Board Tasks for May

- All: Promote kickball tournament!