

MVNA General Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2008

Imagine School 3740 Marine Avenue

Social Time 6:30 PM -7:00 PM

Pledge of allegiance

Mike Siculan resigned as President of Marine Villa Improvement Association, submitted letter.

Mike Siculan read Mike Ferguson and John O. resignation letters.

As result of Mike Siculan resignation as President of Marine Villa Improvement Association, Eddie Brauer, Vice President Marine Villa Improvement Association, immediately became President of Marine Villa Improvement Association.

Introduction of Members

Police Reports (both districts) Police not present.

NSO Report

- **Dena Hibbard** nothing to report except that Barb and she are a good team.
- **Barb Potts** on vacation.

Alderman Reports

Schmid

- Receiving phone calls from renter that the house is in foreclosure.
- 1-888-995-hope can be of help for foreclosures.
- Chippewa Broadway Association Sept 21 Business Expo 2-4PM Carnahan High School of the Future.

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- Benton Park is getting a new play ground second week of September.
- Report if street lights are out to the CSB. If they are blinking, please inform CSB.
- Pam Lanning does a great job with the ward maps!

Nominations

- **Sergeant At Arms** James McKee nominated himself.
 - Aaron Daugherty nominated himself through email.
 - Rodney Cook sent an email expressing interest.
- **Marketing Chair** Susan nominated Marty Dames.
- **Treasurer** Marty Dames nominated Amanda P.

Guest Speaker Metro

Todd Plesko Planning and System Development

- 30 minute presentation including
- Q&A on proposed service cuts and public hearings in September
- Metro's mission: "Regional economic development through excellence in transportation."
- The Agency was created in 1949 through a compact between Missouri and Illinois and ratified by the United States Congress. Metro's broad powers enable it to cross local, county, and state boundaries to plan, construct, maintain, own, and operate specific facilities in its efforts to enhance the

quality of life in the region. Its service area encompasses 200 municipalities.

- Metro owns and operates the St. Louis Metropolitan region's public transportation system. The Metro System includes MetroLink, the region's light rail system; MetroBus, the region's bus system; and Metro Call-A-Ride, a paratransit van system. Metro also oversees the operations of the St. Louis Downtown Airport and surrounding industrial business park, the Gateway Arch Revenue Collections Center, the Gateway Arch Transportation System, the Gateway Arch Riverboats, and the Gateway Arch Parking Facility.
- Metro carried over 54 million passengers on MetroLink, MetroBus, and Metro Call-A-Ride vans in Fiscal Year (FY) 2007.
- Metro has a fleet of 409 MetroBus vehicles, 87 light rail vehicles and 123 Metro Call-A-Ride paratransit vans.
- The FY 2007 operating budget for Metro's Transit System was \$197.8 million. For FY 2008, the Transit operating budget is 214.8 million.
- The FY 2007 operating expense budget for Metro's non-transit entities (Gateway Arch Tram, Gateway Arch Parking Facility, Gateway Arch Riverboats, St. Louis Downtown Airport and Executive Services) is \$11.4 million. The capital budget totals \$8.6 million.
- Metro System operations are subsidized by sales taxes from St. Louis City and County, the St. Clair County Illinois Transit District, federal and state grants and subsidies, and from fares paid by customers.
- Without transit makes St. Louis hard to compete with other cities

President's Report None

Treasury Report None

Approve Minutes

- Monica Rose made a motion to approve Amanda P. second.

Committee Reports

- **Beautification** -Pam Wucher Imagine School had work day in preparation for plants they will be receiving from Gateway Greening. Greg Lamb, Hannah Gilk, Pam Lanning and Pam Wucher volunteered. Another work day is planned for September. Pam Wucher thanked Craig Schmid for getting the mulch for the old firehouse.
- **Finance** -Amanda Penick Due to the NLA program Eddie and Susan attending they received applications from Lutheran grants ranging from \$500 to \$1500. Hannah Gilk and Penny volunteered to help write the grants.
- **Quality of Life Committee** Mark Magas Four people have express interest in this committee. Need to find problem properties. Mark can be contacted at 772-home

Old Business

- **National Night Aug. 5** Susan stated this was the 3rd year and it was great for one hour then it rained.

New Business

- Betty Moore Chippewa Broadway Association Sept 21 Business Expo 2-4PM Carnahan High School of the Future.
- Carnahan High School of the Future now has a band, football team. They have worked with CBA to keep Minnie Wood park clean.
- Oct 4th Fire Engine Rally at Old Fire House. Antique fire truck show and BBQ at the Firehouse on S. Broadway. This is fire prevention week more information to come.
- More information at Website <http://www.chippewabroadway.com/>
- [Contact Betty Moore 314-771-5212](mailto:info@chippewabroadway.com) send email to: info@chippewabroadway.com
- Children's Froggie Garden , located at the corner of Chippewa and Oregon Streets. Will be maintained by Region Bank.

Adjourn Eddie motioned to adjourn Penny 2nd **8:06 PM**