

Eastmorland Community Association Monthly Meeting

September 10, 2019 Agenda

Board Officers: Kathy Soukup, President Fred Svensson, Vice President Dan Zimmerman, Treasurer Emily Mixon, Secretary	Board Members: Patrick Soukup Amanda McKaig Kris Whitman Breanna Illéné	Alternates: Carrie Ezzell Collin Roland
7:00 Call to order and call for changes to the agenda		
7:05 Review and approval of minutes of the August 13, 2019 meeting		
7:10 Update on development on Cottage Grove Road by Movin' Out		
7:35 Discuss creating an 'edible landscape' at the Starkweather and Richard intersection (Emily Steinwehe)		
8:00 Update on the potential winter party as a community building event		
8:10 Updates of city committees/commissions		
8:15 Updates from ECA committees (e.g., Facebook accounts, PayPal options, recommendations for By-Law changes, etc.)		
8:20 Treasurer's Report		
8:25 Call for agenda items for the October 8, 2019 meeting		
8:30 Adjourn		

1) Call to Order & Review of August Meeting Minutes

Board members present Emily Mixon, Kathy Soukup, Fred Svensson, Amanda McKaig,

Excused Absences: Breanna Illéné, Patrick Soukup, Kris Whitman, Carrie Ezzell, Collin Roland (alt)

No additions or corrections to minutes.

Fred motions to adopt the minutes, Amanda seconds—motion passes.

2) Cottage Grove Movin' Out Update

Kathryne Auerback (Movin' Out)

A bit of organizational history: Statewide Organization: 25th anniversary, founded by parents of adult children with disabilities. Initially focused on homeownership in neighborhoods around the state. Since then, 1600 families served to become first time homeowners.

- Services have been added through time: portfolio of ~60 homes (mixture single

- family, duplexes, four flats, condos etc. that are rented to disabled persons).
- Multifamily rental properties have been developed over the last 12 years—such as Pinney Lane. Over 1000 units of affordable housing created, about 25% are supported units (set aside for households with a disabled member). 30% county median income qualification for supported units.
- First tenet: **community integration** with existing neighbors and housing. Support system in place to make this possible, this ranges from in home 24/7 support to drop-in help, to task specific help.
- Second tenet: **self-determination**: people with disabilities making decisions about their lives. Supportive services and housing are financially and organizationally separate. E.g. residents can choose their own services etc. Can adjust services without losing or disrupting housing.
- 75-80% of units available to anyone who qualifies based on income—several categories: 30%, 50%, 60%, 80% median income categories.

Ace Project on Cottage Grove Road: partnership with additional developer: The Commonwealth Companies (formerly Mirus), who Movin' Out has worked with in the past.

- Neighborhood meetings—iterative design process.
- Total of 48 units:
 - 12 designated supported (30% income and disabled bracket, veteran status also qualifies you for this bracket)
 - Mix of 30%, 50% and 60% with a few market rate units (because of developer partnership)
- **Next step: Public meeting with Urban Design Commission (October 16, 2019)**
- Then Common Council, also public meeting (TBD, November)
- 10,000 ft² of commercial space on ground floor: zoning and encouragement from City for mixed use.
 - Non-profit partner: Options in Community Living, good mission alignment
 - Metcalf property next door to Ace Project: good neighbors, sharing easements etc.
- Coordinate with service agencies and third-party property management organizations with mixed income/affordable housing experience. Movin' Out connects these two by providing some services: “good neighbor skills”, income counseling, financial assistance for short term issues to prevent eviction etc.
- Working to design a proactive program about social capital and community building “asset-based community development approach”—new program will be designed to help people share their talents/skills—looking for community participants! E.g. gardening!
- **Timeline:** break ground in Spring 2020, occupancy Spring/Summer 2021 (applications in late winter/early spring)

Question about Royster: how is it going? (~3 years old)

- Full occupancy with waiting list
- Mix of ages, a few children
- Likely pilot program for community impact program—hoping to open channels with neighborhoods
 - co-located with Movin' Out office
- “Resident Key Holder” kind of like RA in a dorm—checks on people, picks up litter etc. and provides a model for the community.

3) Edible Landscape

Emily Steinwehe (Neighbor in Glendale, has friends here and comes here often)

Map: Emily Steinwehe will email to Emily Mixon

Edible Landscape proposed!

- Perennial, low maintenance, small fruit so not a mess if people don't pick it, need 4 people total to commit to water, weed, mulch, pick up fruit per city regulations
- Emily has experience and has low maintenance species in mind
 - Juneberries, Aronia, possibly pears (European or Asian, x2), currants, gooseberries, rhubarb, asparagus, apricots (Stephanie Fitch), pawpaws, planted in rows per city requirement to mow around
 - Other interests: ground cover under trees: herbs, strawberries
- 2 meetings onsite: 6 people to first, 5 to the second
 - Other interests: seeding, shade tree, rain garden, natural playground
- Engineering Department Meeting: they were up for anything if funds are raised, and volunteers do installation and maintenance
 - Eastmorland Community Association would need to approve rain garden but not other things
 - Rain gardens: history of problematic upkeep on Dawes Street
 - Emily will survey people about desires of use for space
- Erin McWalter has spoken to one house, other is a rental
- **Timeline:** survey this fall, present plan in winter
- **Possible cost:** one-time expense \$300-400 for landscape, bench would need a concrete pad (\$1000), Jackson Street Plaza as example of community placemaking (Jason Tisch)
 - Hi Neighbor! in November—good siting for survey about perennials, uses etc. put in estimated costs for possible add-ons, direct people to an online site for more info.

4) Winter Party

VFW Dining Area on a Sunday \$150 for non-member to reserve, \$75 for a member. Booked through November on Saturdays

Social event? Pizza party with music? Upper dining area.

Maybe January? After holiday hustle?

5) City/County Commissions/Elected Official Updates

None sent.

6) Treasurer's Report

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Balance as of 09/10/2019	
General fund	\$14,309.95
Save the Park Ash Trees	\$70.00
Total Checking/Savings	\$14,379.95
PayPal account - general	\$102.49
Paypal account (ash trees)	\$67.37
Accounts Overdue/due	\$1,078.50
Checks not Cashed (Liability)	\$0.00
Prepaid ads	\$2,333.90
Balance	\$13,294.41

- 2018 minutes: 1st motion: to support up to 5 block parties, amendment to support first time permits
- Wilshire Lane Block Party is third annual! Only other one is Anchor.
- Dan makes a motion to support up to five block parties during calendar year 2019 year by paying the permit fee on a first come first come basis, Fred Svensson seconds, motion passes.

7) Future Agenda Items

Update on Edible Landscape from Emily Steinwehe (November)

Update on VFW dates for winter party (October)

End: 8:40