

**Eastmorland Community Association Monthly Meeting
June 9, 2020
Agenda**

Meeting will be hosted on Zoom

<https://iliff-edu.zoom.us/j/92092148874>

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 May, 2020 meeting		
7:10 Discuss Board of Directors election results, hold officer election from among the Board Members		
7:20 Discuss Ash Tree Fund and future uses		
7:30 Discuss summer parks clean up event ('virtual' or 'independent' with ECA helping with resources?)		
7:40 Updates of city committees/commissions (Grant Foster, Alderperson, and Kristen Audet, County Supervisor, if present)		
8:00 Updates from ECA committees (e.g., Facebook accounts, PayPal options, recommendations for By-Law changes, etc.)		
8:10 Treasurer's Report		
8:20 Call for agenda items for the July 2020 meeting		
8:25 Adjourn		

- 1) **Attendance:** Breanna Illene, Kathy Soukup, Patrick Soukup, Carrie Ezzell, Ed Woolsey, Dan Zimmerman, Emily Sprengelmeyer, Amanda Hammatt, Fred Svensson, Kris Whitman, Amanda T,

Ed moves to approve the minutes, Dan seconds, minutes approved.

2) Board of Directors for 2020-2021

- Kathy Soukup 2 yr
- Dan Zimmerman 2 yr
- Patrick Soukup 1 yr
- Emily Sprengelmeyer 1 yr
- Fred Svensson 2 yr
- Emily Mixon 2 yr
- Kris Whitman 1 yr
- Amanda McKaig 1 yr
- Breanna Illene 2 yr
- Alternates: Collin Roland + Carrie Ezzell 1 yr

Officers 2020-2021 (1 year terms)

- **President:** Kathy Soukup

- **VP:** Fred Svensson
- **Treasurer:** Dan Zimmerman
- **Secretary:** Emily Mixon

Dan moves to close slate, Carrie seconds, approval

3) Ash Tree Fund

- Treatment in 2021, need to raise ~\$5,140 by Fall 2021
- Kris thinks Amanda McKaig was interested in fundraising, but Amanda is not in attendance
- Newsletter is a primary driver for fundraising
- Kathy volunteers to post on Nextdoor
- How do people make donations? Button on website, check to ECA PO box (listed on website) and/or paypal.
- Ed: have progress tracker on website with how much money we have raised (on front page of website)
- Aim for ~\$6500-7000
- Recycle articles from previous newsletters (edit and post article on website and NextDoor)—Kathy will edit this and prepare it.

4) Parks Clean Up

- Do we want to have a virtual clean up or a central resource pick up since Earth Day event got cancelled
- Fred has some leftover bags, could do socially distant clean up
- Friends of each of our neighborhood parks—establish 'friends of' groups (meet at a park and clean up in small groups/household units)
- Saturday June 27th: Fred, Emily M, Grant, Ed,
 - Meet at Eastmorland Park 10 am and then split up into groups and head up different parks
 - Eastmorland (Ed)
 - OB Sherry (Fred)
 - Olbrich
 - Ontario (Emily M, Emily S)
- Emily M will email Jennifer Moore and market on FB and NextDoor

5) Elected Official Updates

Police Reform

- Common Council ~3000 emails on police reform in last week
- Finance committee met on 06/09/2020: two recommendations from ad hoc committee working on this 1) civilian oversight board 2) independent monitor
 - Monitor will be a paid position, board will be volunteers.

COVID

- 2021 Budget looks strongly affected: initial projections \$20-25M shortfall

- Possibility of federal relief money but unknown
- Furloughs, etc, unknown, much of operating budget is people

Development Proposal: Take down Exhaust Pro and old Jade Monkey/Shopping Center

- Krupp proposal: Replace with pair of buildings: ~200 apartments (studios to 2 bedroom) and ~3500 sq ft commercial space (currently 25,000 sq ft of commercial, big shrink down)
- \$1200 for studio to \$2000 for 2 bedrooms
- Public meeting 06/08/2020
- Demolition and 30 day notice submitted by developer
- July-August Plan Commission meeting
- Many questions and concerns at 06/08 meeting
 - Loss of commercial area (developer insinuated losses already there and vacancies, but concern about limiting future opportunity)
 - Some neighbors concerned about density, traffic, parking, school enrollment, concern about neighborhood character (apartment v single family homes)
 - Suggestions: wider sidewalks, car sharing, transit and bike access, have space for local business
 - About 60 people attended the meeting
- Ed has Q: what were concerns of neighbors from meeting? Suggests Grant include concerns and summary in weekly update.
- Fred has Q: Any requirements for greenspace? Grant: Area is well served by parks according to commission report. Wouldn't necessarily lead to a new park. More opportunities include Voigt or places that already have greenspace.
- City has power: demolition permit, zoning, etc. Rationale of ordinance is to keep buildings with useful life and preserve economic state. Grant argues might be existing demand for lower priced commercial sq footage vs new (more expensive). Do we want to trade for additional housing units? Community discussion.

Amazon

- Proposal approved for 3 parcels (only 2 being developed right now), lobbying from Urban League, Grant opposed.
- Milwaukee St Special Area Plan: Didn't change zoning to match plan, which is inconsistent. Grant wants to prevent and fix this in past (Planning Commission, Staff, Common Council)

Dog Park

- Mike Stern: working on an online presentation to be posted with information and survey to collect feedback, Grant has not heard from him, hasn't been posted yet. Possibly next 1-2 weeks.
- After that, figure out about a meeting etc. or non-support.

6) Committee Updates

Fred: Eastmorland Facebook Page, do we want to take it under our wing as ECA?

- Breanna and Fred, Allison Friedel Warner, Erin McWalter are currently admins, consider writing a policy and pinning (about language, also consider more closely tying to ECA).
- Will need to moderate if officially tying to ECA (SASY moderation policy suggested by Kris).
- Dan: standing committee on communications, functionally don't have one. Fred, Breanna, Erin, Allison now functional committee, bring procedure to next meeting for discussion and approval.

Newsletter recruitment

- Kris needs to put together an announcement about responsibilities for Nextdoor and FB
- Correct email for Dan on website (Emily M)

7) Discuss Eastmorland Website updates

Emily M can email Jennifer: Update elected officials and also Board of Directors info, add Ash Tree fundraising feature (will cc Kathy about article).

Website items

- Officers and board members
- Parks clean up announcement
- Newsletter message from Kris

8) Treasurer's Report

Annual report filed with WI Dept of Financial Institutions

Dan created a file with IRS approval etc. can share with Board of Directors.

	6/9/2020
General fund	\$12,582.94
Save the Park Ash Trees	\$892.26
Total Checking/Savings	\$13,475.20
PayPal account - general	\$199.62
Paypal account (ash trees)	\$278.24
Accounts Overdue/due	\$520.60
Checks not Cashed (Liability)	\$10.00
Prepaid ads	\$1,165.38
Balance	\$13,298.28

Paid to Tree Health Management on 9/6/2018 for treatment of 33 ash trees in the neighborhood	\$6,311.23
currently donated	\$1,170.50
Left to raise	\$5,140.73

9) Discuss ECA meetings for future

Carrie moves to meet in person when Lakeview opens again, Kathy seconds

Dan makes point that we can't plan for it because we don't know when they will open

Grant: If we meet in person we need to have internet access and remote meeting option—logistics could be complex and people could get left out. Hybrid creates 'worst of both worlds'

Fred: Would need to have policies and guidelines for social distancing and cleanliness and supply cleaning supplies etc. Legal quagmire.

Motion denied, vote fails.

10) Call for Agenda Items

Update on newsletter