



**NORTH  
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**North Loop Neighborhood Association  
Parks + Placemaking Committee September Meeting Notes  
Date: 9/14/2022  
Time 6:00 pm  
[Zoom Link](#)**

1. 6 of 8 Committee Members in attendance: Amber Taft, Tony Burke, Andrew Schafer, David Crary, Quentin Misiag, Sarah Holland
  - a. Committee Members Absent: Bri Sharkey Smith, Andrew Morse
  - b. Guest: Benjamin Lester
2. Committee Called to Order at 6:09 pm by Burke
3. **August Minutes: six committee members moved to approve the minutes via Slack, minutes are approved**
4. Sub-committee Updates
  - a. James I Rice Park (Crary)
    - i. Crary is setting up a meeting with the Park Commissioners to discuss funding and future plans laid out by the Friends of the Mississippi
    - ii. General Mills- Burke is bringing the proposal forward to the Nature Valley team in the coming weeks
  - b. Tractor Works (Crary)
    - i. The land survey has been done but we have not heard the results. Crary emailed Adam at the city this morning and asked for updates on the survey but hasn't heard anything. If there is no easement, P+P is going to ask Star Tribune for the easement, but are unsure if they will provide it
  - c. Zero Waste Subcommittee (Burke)
    - i. No update
    - ii. David did a great job trying to plan the electronics drive. NLNA vetoed this, planning to revisit in a future month. Need more time to publicize this. Might be a next spring project.

- iii. TerraGroup could come to a service Saturday. Potentially save this for a more popular time (Earth/Arbor Day). P+P can potentially take on more Service Saturday responsibilities in 2023
  - iv. P+P wants Instagram access to be able to make posts and boost events
  - d. Public Art (Holland)
    - i. Holland connected with Minneapolis Park Board (Colleen), MNDOT (Buck Craig) and Creatives After Curfew. Did a tour of a retaining wall that there could be a mural. If P+P goes forward with trying to do murals, NLNA will own the mural for 10 years, and can expect 10% maintenance fee over that time
    - ii. Creatives After Curfew is coming up with a quote for their work. Depends on what materials, medium, size, and scale of the project
    - iii. The Park Board really needs everything spelled out before giving final approval. The Northeast Minneapolis is going to help P+P with a blueprint
    - iv. Creatives After Curfew liked the idea of the Washington Bridge and the 94 overpass
    - v. Need to spend public art funds by 12/31/2021, need to figure out if Creatives After Curfew could be paid before then. Trying to get funds extended into 2023
  - e. Dog Park
    - i. Repairs were made to a seat in the park, planning to replace the rest of the rotted wood by hand
    - ii. Service Saturday for next spring
  - f. Third Street Park
    - i. An event at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Park with Ice Cream, Food Trucks, or Fall festivities? Collaborate with Scott Woller
  - g. North Loop Green (Taft)
    - i. none
5. New Business- Call for Additional Items
- a. Misiag is moving to Chicago by the end of the year, need a replacement for the Dog Park & Welcome Park sub committees
  - b. Ben Lester is interested in joining the committee
  - c. **Holland makes a motion, Misiag seconds the motion to add Lester to the Parks Committee the committee approves unanimously.**
6. Committee adjourned at 7:00 pm