

# November 2004 PPERRIA Newsletter



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## PPERRIA Board/Membership Meeting Notice/Agenda

**Monday, November 22<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 p.m.**

at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church, corner of Orlin and Malcolm Avenues Southeast

**Note: There is no newsletter or Board/Membership meeting in December**

1. Welcome
2. Approve agenda and minutes from 10/25/04
3. Information:
4. Items for Consideration:

**Motion: to approve proposed change to PPERRIA bylaws concerning membership**

**NOTE: 2/3 majority of Board Members required to pass.**

6. Announcements
7. New/Old Business
8. Adjourn

# Proposed Motion to Amend Bylaws on Membership

At the last meeting of PPERRIA the following Motion was on the agenda:

The Bylaws of the Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association, Inc., Article III, Paragraph B, is amended to read as follows: (bracketed words to be deleted, underlined words added):

- B. Eligibility any natural person [over 17] at least 18 years of age is eligible for membership in PPERRIA if the [permanent and primary] residence of the person is within the boundaries of PPERRIA. The person must complete and submit to the Executive Committee the adopted PPERRIA membership application.

Membership records shall be maintained and kept current by the Corporation.

Note: This proposed change raises the age requirement to 18 years of age, and removes the present requirement of permanent and primary residence within the geographic boundaries of PPERRIA.

Because an insufficient number of Board Members were present to pass an amendment, the matter was not placed before the body. The motion was postponed until the November meeting.

To amend the Bylaws a vote of 2/3 of the board members is required. With a 40 member board, the vote of 27 board members is required to amend the Bylaws. A special effort will be made to have board members attend the November meeting. This motion will be placed as the first item on the agenda.

## Motion to Transfer NRP Funds

A motion to transfer \$2553.43 in NRP Phase I funds in categories with remaining funds to Administration will be made. Funds to be transferred are: (1) \$1273.15 remaining from the Luxton Kiosk Fund; (2) minimal amounts remaining in Environmental Landscaping, Block Club Cleanup, Graffiti Removal Supplies, Prospect Park Directory and Childcare Startup, and Neighborhood Learning Center totaling \$14.76; (3) \$765.52 from Neighborhood Signs; (4) \$500 from Luxton Park Computer Classroom.

## Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Seeks Program Proposals for NRP-2

The planning for our neighborhood's participation in the NRP-2 Program is underway. The Steering Committee is seeking proposals for the use of approximately **\$348,000** for neighborhood purposes. Anyone may submit a proposal.

Proposals may suggest any general project that would benefit the neighborhood. Proposals that would improve housing are favored, with those that generate new affordable housing being particularly favored. Please note that "proposals" means general programs rather than individual applications for use of funds.

Each proposal should be separate and should include the following information:

- Σ Your name and contact information
- Σ A brief title for the project
- Σ A full description of the project
- Σ Your estimate of the project cost or budget
- Σ Your statement of how the estimated cost or budget was derived

You may be contacted to provide additional information regarding your proposal. For further information, including a useful but not required form for submitting a proposal, consult the neighborhood website at: <http://www.pperr.org>. or see **FORM ON PAGE 9**.

Please submit proposals by mail as soon as possible  
**but not later than January 3, 2005** to:

PPERRIA  
66 SE Malcolm Ave  
Minneapolis, MN 55414

Proposals may also be hand-delivered to the PPERRIA mailbox at the Pratt Office

## Care and Share Food Shelf Needs Donations

Please remember to donate to the Care and Share Foodshelf. Volunteers are also needed. Care and Share Foodshelf is located at 92 St. Mary's Ave. SE on the right side of the Headstart building. It is open on Mondays from noon to 4 pm and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Donations can be left at Prospect Park Methodist Church or the Luxton Park Building as well. The Foodshelf phone number is 612-342-1954.

Ginia Klamecki

## Neighborhood Information Available

For current information on the status of Pratt School, see the Save Pratt! website at <http://44clarence.com/pratt>. Also, check out the PPERRIA website at <http://www.pperr.org>. To subscribe to the community e-list and receive current neighborhood news and events announcements, send an email to [jon.and.lois.willand@worldnet.att.net](mailto:jon.and.lois.willand@worldnet.att.net).

If you find that your newsletter comes late, you can find the newsletter on the PPERRIA website at [www.pperr.org](http://www.pperr.org).

## Minutes from 10/25/04 Meeting

- 1) The 10/25/04 Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. (PPERRIA) Board of Directors (BOD)/Membership/Neighborhood meeting was called to order by Joe Ring, President, at 7:05 p.m. at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church (PPUMC) (Orlin and Malcolm Avenues S.E. Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414). A quorum of the BOD was present. A number of guests were introduced or introduced themselves, including John Wall of the Minnesota Innovation Center, concerning the grain elevator site; Kathy Carlson and Steve Pak of the MN Pollution Control Agency; Laura Nolen, Community Attorney for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct; Greg Simbeck, new aide to Council Member Paul Zerby; Jan Morlock, Steve Spahn, Lorelee Wederstrom from the University of Minnesota. Motion made (P. Anderson), seconded (R. Kain) and passed without noes to approve the meeting agenda.
- 2) Joe Ring described the homicide at University Village approximately nine days earlier as an isolated incident. A meeting of all parties took place on this date (10/25) at the Zerby office. More detailed reporting will come at the November meeting.
- 3) The following corrections were offered for the minutes of September 27: substitute "concrete" for "concert" in "back yard;" change spelling of "aspin" to "aspen." Bill Kahn will email the secretary an announcement he made at the meeting that missed the minutes. Motion made by Peter LaSha, seconded by Julia Wallace and passed without noes to approve, with those changes, the September 27 meeting minutes.

- 4) Motion by Jerry Stein, seconded by Tom Kilton, was passed without noes and with the abstention of Rachel Ramadhani because of conflict-of-interest, that "The Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association (PPERRIA) calls upon the Mayor and the City Council to immediately suspend the CPED Policy on Fees for NRP Implementation Activities until a consensus can be reached between the CPED, the City Council, the neighborhood organizations and the NRP Policy Board." (CPED is the City's planning department.) The proponent noted that A) The City Council took contracting away from NRP after a decade of successfully writing and managing contracts. Even the School Board and County used NRP for writing and managing their contracts; B) Of all the agencies in the City, only NRP is being charged the CPED fees to write and manage contracts; C) The CPED fees approved by the Council and imposed by CPED are supposed to cover costs but we have yet to see in writing what actual costs our fees are going toward; D) The CPED fees are commission based; are not based on actual costs, and were also retroactive; E) The City offered no opportunity for public input or comment about adding and imposing this policy and were late with notification to the neighborhoods; F) There is no accountability or oversight of this policy in place, and no recourse if contracts are managed unsatisfactorily. The neighborhoods have no choice; no ability to go elsewhere if unhappy with the City's management of the contracts; G) The imposed CPED fee policy takes funds away from neighborhood revitalization projects that need it the most; H) Most importantly, we are concerned that the City commitment to NRP and the neighborhoods is wavering." Council Member Zerby reported learning from NRP director Bob Miller that NRP and CPED entered contractually into agreement for these fees.
- 5) Information. Laura Nolen, Community Attorney for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Precinct explained her role. She can be reached at 773-2883 or [Laura.nolen@ciMinneapolis.mn.us](mailto:Laura.nolen@ciMinneapolis.mn.us).
- 6) Information. University of Minnesota medical facilities plan. Jan Morlock of University Relations outlined the components of the University's Academic Health Center. Lorelee Wederstrom, Director of the AHC office of facilities distributed copies of the executive summary of the Strategic Facility Planning Report's Clinical Sciences Campus Plan. She made a concise presentation of the four-plus scenarios for enlarging and reconfiguring the units of the AHC which will substantially change the south-of-Washington Avenue landscape. Jan Morlock desires to communicate with this neighborhood following the expected regents' decision in spring, 2005. (Information at [www.ahc.umn.edu](http://www.ahc.umn.edu))
- 7) Information. Proposed permit amendment for the University of Minnesota steam plan, Minneapolis campus.. Kathy Carlson and Steve Pak of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency distributed test results and explained the issue of the 'U' seeking to incorporate biomass (chiefly oat hulls) into its required 70% share of fuel being natural gas and wood. They have made the presentation to the Como and Marcy-Holmes neighborhoods as well.
- 8) Motion by Steve Cross to approve resolution on PPERRIA Fund Accounting as follows (PLEASE NOTE: The following wording is what was eventually approved, slightly amended from the overhead presentation):
- (1) Separate funds shall be maintained for community events, the Garden Club, the Historic District, Prospect Park History, and for professional services as follows:
    - Community Events in the Community Events Fund
    - Garden Club in the Garden Club Fund
    - Historic District in the Historic District Fund
    - Prospect Park History Fund
    - Professional Services in the Professional Services Fund
    - Choir in the Choir Trust Fund.
  - (2) The money collected from the sale of Prospect Park history by the Prospect Park History Committee and for the neighborhood cleanup shall be maintained in the general fund.
  - (3) Annual budgeting and accounting for any activities involving separate funds presumes that money is spent first from money received or collected by the responsible committee and only after exhausting that money is money spent that is budgeted from the PPERRIA general fund.
  - (4) The activities and budget of each committee maintaining separate funds must be reviewed each year by the Executive Committee as part of the budget process. If a group for whose benefit a separate fund is maintained shall cease operations, or when maintaining some or all of the funds is no longer necessary for the group's operations, or when the Executive Committee otherwise finds it necessary for continuing

PPERRIA operations, the money in a separate fund shall be transferred to the general fund.

In the discussion prior to the vote, concern was expressed that the Executive Committee acting alone was being empowered to transfer funds. President Joe Ring stated that the Bylaws assure the membership as well would have to approve such a transfer. Motion by Lois Willand, seconded by Vera Marshall to delete the words "or when the Executive Committee otherwise finds it necessary for continuing PPERRIA operations,". Voting by a show of hands defeated the amendment. A motion to call the question was approved without noes. The vote on the primary motion was passed with some noes.

- 9) Motion by Betts Zerby, to approve a proposed change to the PPERRIA bylaws concerning age and residency requirements, was not acted upon because of an insufficient number of board members present.
- 10) Announcements. A) Steve Cross on NRP Phase 2: Forty-four people attended the October 13 meeting. At the October 20 organizing meeting, Steve Cross and Dick Poppele were named Steering Committee co-chairs. January 3, 2005 is the deadline for proposals. Seventy percent of our allotment is to go to housing. Vacancies remain on the Steering Committee. The Action Plan and neighborhood approval are hoped for by next summer. B) Joe Ring reported on Wellington Management's response to PPERRIA's objection to using "Prospect Park" in its Metro Lofts promotion. Copies of the Wellington response letter were available. Since the developer is making no concessions, Joe will follow up with the St. Anthony Park land use committee and probably the St. Paul Finance Dept. and the Dept. of Commerce. C) Florence Littman called attention to the urgent need for the Care and Share house to receive non-perishable foods and cash prior to Thanksgiving. D) Bill Kahn reported that SECIA has signed an agreement with Rock Ten, a recycler of cardboard.
- 11) Zoning. Florence Littman reported that prospective signage for the three new tenants at the former Travel Company site on University Avenue will probably be flush with the building and so eliminate the hazard of the protruding previous sign.
- 12) Staff report: See newsletter.

At 9:40 p.m. Dick Kain moved, Phil Anderson seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed.  
Meredith Poppele, Secretary pro tem

## PPERRIA Committees and Chairs

Community Events	Lois Willand	378-9697
East River Gorge Park	Tom Kilton	339-3064
Education & Human Services	Susan Larson-Fleming	331-8819
Environment	Bill Kahn	378-5287
Executive	Steve Banks	321-9064
History Project	Betts Zerby	379-8095
Housing Redevelopment	Florence Littman Dean Lund	331-2970 378-2486
Housing Improvement	Andy Mickel	331-8396
Landscape	Mary Alice Kopf	379-7436
Landscape subcommittee: Tree Health Project	Paula Denman	338-1871
Membership	Dan Patenaude Tom Kilton	378-3038 339-3064
Tower Hill Park	Susan Thrash	379-4587
Transportation and Land Use	John Dewitt Phil Anderson	338-1871 627-9471
Zoning & Plan Review	Florence Littman Phil Anderson	331-2970 627-9471

## November NRP/PPERRIA Contractor Activities

Reporting period October 7, 2004 through November 5, 2004. Major activities and results:

Supported various PPERRIA committees and the Executive Committee	Maintained the neighborhood calendar & supported production of PPERRIA newsletter		
Worked to establish and strengthen Block Clubs	Worked to wind up Phase I of NRP		
Worked with students, parents, and teachers at Pratt	Worked to begin planning Phase II of NRP		
Expense for contractors' services:	Hours billed	Total expense	% of total Budget
Totals 10/07/04 to 11/05/04	<b>96.65</b>	<b>\$1,931.81</b>	<b>1.1 %</b>
Totals 10/18/95 to 10/07/04	<b>10,040.01</b>	<b>\$170,653.34</b>	<b>97.2 %</b>
Totals 10/18/95 to 11/05/04	<b>10,136.66</b>	<b>\$172,585.15</b>	<b>98.3 %</b>

Total revised PPERRIA NRP budget for independent contractor services = \$188,873.46\*; **\$2,954.29\*** remains.  
 \* These revised amounts reflect additional funds reallocated to this strategy 11/27/00, 2/27/01, 6/25/01 and 7/22/02 and adds in funds from Safety & Security A.1. Block club coordination, PARC B.2. History editor and from Education A.1.a. Neighborhood learning center – Education committee worker and Neighborhood Education Worker, \$15,000 from Education A.1.a Pratt Liaison (contract 12/3/03) and \$7,250 of Phase II Development funds. *NOTE: Current NRP Contractors include Kari Simonson, Block Club Coordinator and Joyce Barta, Implementation Coordinator, whose contracts expire 10/30/04, and Janet Madzey-Akale, Education Worker, whose contract expires 12/15/04.* Total PPERRIA Funds Available for Buckthorn Removal per Exec. Committee 7/8/02: \$1,400.00; Total PPERRIA Staff Funds spent to date: \$168; Total Hard Costs spent to date: \$0; Total Remaining: \$1,232.00.

-Joyce Barta

# Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar

To include items in PPERIA calendar, contact Joyce Barta at 378-9268 by **Thursday, January 6, 2004.**

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Event and Location</b>	<b>Whom to contact</b>
Monday, 7:30-9 pm November 15	<b>NRP Steering Committee meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Tuesday, November 16	<b>JOY Outing</b> Call for information.	Kris Hammes 370-4925 Roberta Mark 331-6621
Tuesday, 7:00 pm November 16	<b>(Tentative) Zoning &amp; Planning Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
Thursday, 6-8 pm November 18	<b>Pratt Council Meeting</b> at Pratt Community Center; childcare and rides available.	Gary Jordan 673-9713
Thursday, 6-8 pm November 18	<b>Harvest Dinner</b> at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Monday, 7:00 pm November 22	<b>PPERIA BOD &amp; Membership meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587
Wednesday, 7:30 pm Dec 1	<b>Luxton Park Council meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Jim Widder 331-6129
Friday, 11 am-1 pm December 3	<b>JOY Book Club</b> at Luxton	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Monday, 7:30-9 pm December 6	<b>NRP Steering Committee meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Wednesday, 5:00 pm December 8	<b>Glendale Resident Organization meeting</b> at 92 St. Mary's Ave.	William Tweet 342-1952
Monday, 11:30 am - December 13 1:30 pm	<b>JOY Pot Luck</b> at Pratt	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Monday, 7:00 pm December 13	<b>PPERIA Executive Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring 379-4587 321-9064
Thursday, 6-8 pm December 16	<b>Pratt Council Meeting</b> at Pratt Community Center; childcare and rides available.	Greg Bernstein 378-3489
Monday, 7:30-9 pm December 20	<b>(Tentative) NRP Steering Committee meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Tuesday, December 21	<b>JOY Outing</b> Call for information.	Kris Hammes 370-4925 Roberta Mark 331-6621
Tuesday, 7:00 pm December 21	<b>(Tentative) Zoning &amp; Planning Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
	<b>No PPERIA BOD &amp; Membership meeting in December</b>	
Monday, 7:30-9 pm January 3	<b>NRP Steering Committee meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Steve Cross 376-0094 Dick Poppele 378-9242
Wednesday, 7:30 pm Jan 5	<b>Luxton Park Council meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Jim Widder 331-6129
Friday, 11 am-1 pm January 7	<b>JOY Book Club</b> at Luxton	Kris Hammes 370-4925

Monday, November 8	11:30 am - 1:30 pm	<b>JOY Pot Luck</b> at Pratt	Kris Hammes	370-4925
Monday, January 10	7:00 pm	<b>PPERIA Executive Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring	379-4587 321-9064
Wednesday, January 12	5:00 pm	<b>Glendale Resident Organization meeting</b> at 92 St. Mary's Ave.	William Tweet	342-1952
Monday, January 17	7:30-9 pm	<b>NRP Steering Committee meeting</b> at Luxton Park	Steve Cross Dick Poppele	376-0094 378-9242
Thursday, January 20	6-8 pm	<b>Pratt Council Meeting</b> at Pratt Community Center; childcare and rides available.	Gary Jordan	673-9713
Monday, January 24	7:00 pm	<b>PPERIA BOD &amp; Membership meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Joe Ring	379-4587
Wednesday, January 26	6:30-8:30 pm	<b>Garden Club</b> location TBA	Mary Alice Kopf	378-7436

<b>Day and Time</b>	<b>Recurring Community</b>	<b>Whom to contact</b>
Mondays noon - 4pm Tues, Thurs 10am - 4pm	<b>Food, toys, art supplies, seasonal clothing, necessities</b> can be donated to Care & Share Food Shelf, 92 St. Mary's Ave. Donations can also be left at Prospect Park United Methodist Church or at Luxton Park.	Ginia Klamecki 331-7056 Shirley Davis 342-1952
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues. 4- 4:30pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon 11-11:25am 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon 11:30am -12:00pm	<b>Bookmobile</b> at Luxton Park <b>Bookmobile</b> at Univ. Good Samaritan Center <b>Bookmobile</b> at Pratt Community Center	Bookmobile 630-6630
Tuesdays 7:00 pm	<b>Community Choir</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church (Note: does not meet during the summer)	Curt Oliver 763-208-6556
Fridays 10am - noon	<b>Luxton Painters</b> at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925



**Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood  
NRP Phase 2  
Project Proposal**

Please complete this form either by typing or careful handwriting. You will be contacted if further information is necessary.

**Project Title** (In 10 words or less):

**Lead Proposer's Name:**

**Address:**

**Contact Phone Number:**

**Names of Other Proposers:**

**Proposal Description:**

**Funds Requested:**

**State how that cost figure was derived:**

Please mail your proposal to:

PPERRIA  
66 SE Malcolm Ave  
Minneapolis, MN 55414

Proposals may also be hand-delivered to the Pratt Office.

**PPERRIA Web Site: <http://www.pperr.org>**

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