

**Community Engagement Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, April 12, 2023, 6:30-8:00 pm**  
**Hybrid Meeting: MCAD, 2501 Stevens Ave + Zoom Digital Meeting**

**Attendees:** Nick Hutchinson, Kate Davis, Daniel Hansen, Jesse Overvides, Anna Befort

**Staff:** Meggie Sanchez-Garcia, Willow Rheault Kreibich

**Presenters:** Al Swintek and Jon with Centerpoint Energy; Flo Golod and Elizabeth Gorman from the University of Minnesota Extension Master Gardeners Program

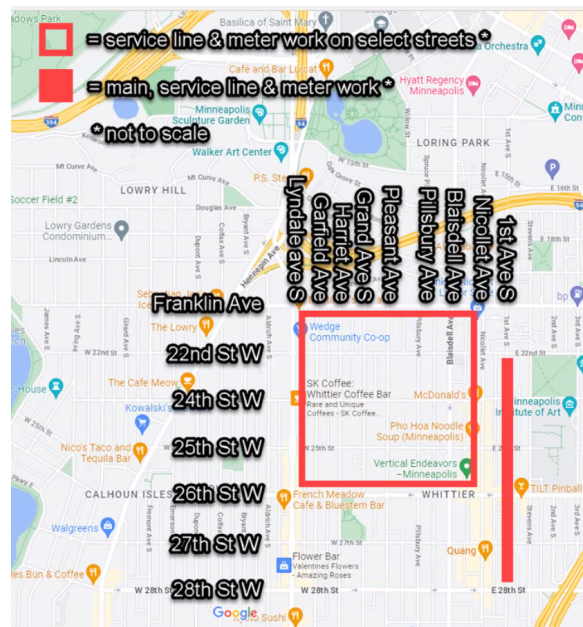
**Introductions & Meeting Overview**

- Welcome at 6:34 pm by Nick Hutchinson.
- A round of introductions is done.
- The Standard of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policies are reviewed.
- The agenda is reviewed.
- The minutes from January are reviewed.
  - Motion to approve the minutes from the October 2022 meeting is made, seconded, and approved.

**Centerpoint on projects impacting the Whittier Neighborhood:**

**Al Swintek and Jon**

- Aligning two natural gas infrastructure projects with City of Minneapolis road work in the neighborhood this summer.



- Homes with meters in the basement will be upgraded to new meters with auto-shutoff and auto read capabilities (almost 400 services in the box on the map).
- Where the company has to dig in grass, sidewalk, or street, all will be replaced (no cost to property owners).

**Community Engagement Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, June 14, 2023, 6:30-8:00 pm**  
**In Person Community Meal at Whittier International Elementary**  
**315 w 26th st**

**Attendees:** Nathan Hultmann, Lolila English, Jess Kochick, Kedar Deshpanshe, Megan Mathew, Christine Popawski, Glenn Crewon, Shawn Foster, Kacey Tait, Arjun Kataria, Arcel Watson, Brian Stallon, Mary Vanderford, Elijah Pares, Valerie Mack, Danny Villars, Madeline, Scarlett, Ashley Boldin, Jacob Molho

**Staff:** Meggie Sanchez-Garcia, Willow Rheault Kreibich, Fartun, Nick Hutchinson (chair)

**Community Meal**-Food from Christos Greek Restaurant was provided by the Whittier Alliance for the community to share. In addition to the meal and connecting with the community, attendees had the opportunity to provide feedback for the Whittier Alliance rebranding process, both in person on posters and the online survey available via a QR code.

**Introductions & Meeting Overview**

- Welcome at 7pm by Nick Hutchinson.
- Round of introductions was done
- 2023/24 Community Engagement Committee Chair Election
  - Nominations for Chair of the Community Engagement Committee for 2023/24 were solicited from the floor.
  - Nick Hutchins was nominated.
  - The nomination was moved and seconded
  - Nick Hutchins was unanimously elected Chair by voice vote.

**Notifications**

Twin Cities Really, Really, Free Market first Saturday of the month 1-4. Next Event July 1st.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.**

**Meeting minutes submitted by Willow Rheault Kreibich/Meggie Sanchez-Garcia.**

**Community Engagement Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, August 10, 2023, 6:30-8:00 pm**  
**In Person Community Meal at Whittier Recreational Center, Multipurpose rm**  
**315 w 26th st**

**Attendees:** Raudousa Mohamad, Asha, [Halley Norman](#), Crystal Lee, Natasha, Arjun, Jesus, Jesse, D'Lylah Smith, Jeff Carlson, Marion Mac, and several children from activities happening at the center.

**Staff:** Meggie Garcia, Nick Hutchinson (chair), Matthew, Halley, Jesse, Fartun,

**Community Meal**-Food from Marhaba Grill Restaurant was provided by the Whittier Alliance for the community to share. In addition to the meal and connecting with the community, attendees had the

opportunity to provide feedback for the Whittier Alliance rebranding process, both in person on posters and the online survey available via a QR code, Calvary's Wildflower pre-school, and Electric Mobility.

#### **Notifications**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.**

**Meeting minutes submitted by Meggie Garcia.**

**Community Engagement Committee Meeting Minutes  
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**Attendees:** Jarred Simonson, Ra....\*, Brian Johnson, Ben Johnson, Ezra Maddoy, William Grahs, Fouday, Megan Mathews (B.M), Jeff Nelson, Henry Bromelkamp, Shannon Dotson, Christine Popowski, Varshethaa Krishnan, Rajin Olson, Anna, Tom Johnson-Manslynt, Maggie, Ko Sandra\*, Juanch\*, Dari Kohstad, Kaitlin Kalstons, Morgan Appleberry

**Staff/Volunteer:** Meggie Garcia, Nick Hutchinson (chair), Jesse, Fartun, Natasha (V), Arjun

**Community Meal-**Food from Quang's Restaurant was provided by the Whittier Alliance for the community to share. In addition to the meal and connecting with the community, attendees had the opportunity to provide feedback for the Lyndale reconstruction project team.

#### **Notifications**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.**

**Meeting minutes submitted by Meggie Garcia.**