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Northern Metals Recycling Settlement Update

Here's the news: Instead of using settlement funds to hold Northern Metals Recycling (NMR) accountable for the industrial pollution they have caused, the City of Minneapolis Department of Health has recommended that these funds be directed to existing City programs and the general fund.

NMR settlement funds that were earmarked for the City of Minneapolis total \$2,000,000. In March 2017, these funds were awarded to the City by the NMR agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). There are few legal strings attached to the dollars received by the City. The Health Department's assignment of those funds was put on hold at the City Council's Health Environment and Community Engagement (HECE) committee meeting held on May 15, 2017. HECE directed the Health Department to form a NMR Settlement Advisory Committee comprised of North/Northeast residents affected by NMR pollution.

Residents attending the HERC committee meeting sharply disagreed with the Health Department recommendations regarding the NMR settlement funds. The Health Department suggested the funds be spent like this: First, \$1,000,000.00 goes to the City general fund. General Fund money is used for street paving

NEighbors Garage Sale Weekend

A Community-wide Garage Sale Spread Across All of Northeast Minneapolis

Fri. and Sat. June 19-20
Rain date Sun. Jun 21

See Northeaster for Map of Sales

and such. Second, \$600,000 would to be used on community health initiatives. Current programs such as in-home lead abatement and asthma trigger education would get more funding. These initiatives are already funded by many millions in federal grants. Third, more air pollution testing would be done. The MPCA already has this covered: NMR's air pollution fallout area is currently being monitored with an additional \$500,000 in state money for the next 18 months. The expenditure of the remaining \$400,000.00 of settlement funds was unclear as to use.

Thanks go out to the HECE Chair, 2nd Ward Council Member Cam Gordon, for allowing a few residents and environmental organizations to testify on May 15th. CM Jacob Frey is a HECE committee member. Residents want NMR to be held

Phone

Police, Fire and Medical
Emergency:
911

Minneapolis City Info:
311

Bottineau Neighborhood
Association
367-7262

3rd Ward Councilmember
Frey
673-2203

Hennepin County
Commissioner Higgins
348-7882

Parks Commissioner
Wielinski
230-6443

Bottineau Park
370-4958

Family Violence,
Domestic Abuse, Child
Abuse
673-3072

Housing Inspections
673-5858

East Side Neighborhood
Services (ESNS)
781-6011

Community Crime
Prevention
673-2797

Pierre Bottineau Library
630-6890

Minneapolis Park Board
230-6400

Minneapolis Solid Waste
and Recycling
673-2917

Traffic Enforcement
673-3443

accountable for the harm NMR's industrial pollution has done in the community and suggest NMR pay for residents' medical bills and damages associated with lead poisoning, asthma and cancers. Residents want remediation of soil pollution at the site and in the River, caused by NMR, to be paid for by NMR. Bottineau Neighborhood Association requests settlement funds be used to conduct public health studies to show the extent of the damage for which NMR is responsible. Taxpayers should not be left holding the bag.

Upper Harbor Development

On May 30, over 60 people attended the Above the Falls Citizen Advisory Committee (AFCAC) meeting. It was billed as a community engagement event for the Upper Harbor Terminal (UHT) development of the 48 vacant acres owned by City and Park Board on the west side of the River. Kate Lamers is the Park Planner and Ann Calvert is the CPED Planner on the project. Developers from United Properties and Cohen and Partners Design led the discussion. The community voted on community engagement practices and river access. There was no avenue at the meeting to comment on land use, economic development or housing. Anna Bierbrauer is Bottineau Neighborhood's representative on AFCAC.

Share the River Nordeast

*Wednesday, June 28
5pm-8pm
Stormwater Park & Learning Ctr
2522 Marshall St. NE*

You're invited to a family-friendly evening of ice cream and canoeing on the Mississippi River with the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO).

The second annual Share the River Nordeast event offers visitors the chance to take a free, introductory canoe ride on the Mississippi River with experienced guides. Attendees can also enjoy complimentary ice cream and tour indoor and outdoor exhibits at the MWMO's Stormwater Park and Learning Center.

The event is open to kids and adults of all ages. Visitors who wish to take a canoe ride must be at least 30 pounds in order to fit the provided life jackets. Canoe trips will be led by National Park Service rangers and staff from the Mississippi Park Connection and Wilderness Inquiry.

National Night Out 2017

Time's flying: National Night Out 2017 is right around the corner. If your block applies for a block party permit before the **deadline of July 18** you will not have to pay the \$100.00 permit fee. Get registered now. If you have held an NNO event in the past you should have already received an email from Luther Kruger with all the relevant info.

And, according to Kruger, there are rewards for organizers: "The MOA Mystery Tickets are in, packets started going the last week of May and every organizer gets the complete set of 2017 Minnesota Twins Crime Prevention Baseball Cards!"

If you hand off the party duties to a new organizer they will need to register here:

<http://apps.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/blockeventapp/>

If you need help contact Luther Kruger at 612-673-5371 or lutherkruger@minneapolismn.gov

Community Meeting about 2018 Construction Project on University Ave.

*Monday, July 17, 2017
6:30-8pm
Columbia Heights Library
3939 Central Ave NE*

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is having a meeting for residents of affected neighborhoods on July 17 at the Columbia Heights Library.

At this meeting, MnDOT staff will share information about a project planned for 2018 on University Avenue from 40th to 27th Avenue that will require closure of the road from 44th in Columbia Heights to Lowry Avenue in Minneapolis. They want to talk to residents about the traffic flow during construction and try to address any concerns.

If this is an issue that concerns you, this is your opportunity to be heard. More details will be provided in handouts at the meeting.

The Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition Has a New Name: Our Streets MPLS

In 2016, The Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition expanded their work to include pedestrian advocacy, and have now updated their name and redefined their mission to better fit with this new, expanded scope:

"Our Streets MPLS works for a city where biking, walking, and rolling are easy and comfortable for everyone."

To become involved as a volunteer and member, please visit their website: <http://www.ourstreetsmpls.org/>

Elder Law Clinics at ESNS

From 10am to 2pm on the fourth Saturday of the month through October, neighborhood seniors can meet with an attorney for a half-hour consultation at no charge. Call East Side Neighborhood Services at 612-781-6011 to make an appointment, or email Laura at lmurphy@esns.org.

Homes Sold in Bottineau since January 1, 2017

Address	Sale Price	Bedrooms	Baths	Square Ft	Year Built
2431 Grand St NE	\$210,000	3	1	1,062	1910
2101 Grand St NE	\$190,000	3	1	1,040	1923
2410 2 nd St NE	\$220,000	2	1	1,369	1923
2315 Grand St NE	\$210,500	3	1	1,570	1906
2227 2 nd St NE	\$235,000	3	1	1,885	1947
1815 3 rd St NE	\$245,000	3	2	1,740	2003
2219 Grand St NE	\$275,222	3	2	1,594	1914
2019 3 rd St NE	\$303,000	3	2	1,564	1900

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BNA's Facebook Page
tinyurl.com/zmgldlw

Minneapolis
www.minneapolismn.gov

3rd Ward
www.minneapolismn.gov/ward3

Inspections
www.minneapolismn.gov/inspections

Hennepin County
www.hennepin.us

Park Board
minneapolisparcs.org

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
www.pca.state.mn.us

Public Education NE
publicedne.blogspot.com

Friends of the Mississippi
fmr.org

NE Minneapolis Arts Association
nema.org

Northeast Investment Cooperative
neic.coop

MN State Legislature
www.leg.state.mn.us

Minneapolis Crime Alerts
www.minneapolismn.gov/police/crimealert

Dislocated Worker Program
tinyurl.com/mn-gov-deed

Neighborhood & Community Relations
www.minneapolismn.gov/ncr

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Mark Your Calendars



- 6/13 BNA Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
2205 California St NE, Suite 107
(Call 612-801-7834 if door is locked)
- 6/28 Share the River NE – See page 3
- 7/17 University Ave Meeting – See page 3
- 8/1 National Night Out!

Sheridan Memorial Park Improvement Meeting

*Wednesday, June 21 @ 7pm
East Side Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St NE*

Only one meeting remains for making your voice heard. On May 24, a consultant provided concept alternatives for how the site might be organized, with options for playground and picnic facility design. On June 21, a preferred concept will be discussed and participants will be asked for final input on the design of all elements.

NOTE: The public is welcome at all BNA meetings. All meetings are accessible and requests for special accommodations at BNA meetings may be made by contacting us no less than one week prior to the event. This publication can be made available in an alternative format. Please contact BNA with specific requests.