

**Memorial Northwest Common Area Management Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
January 30, 2016 – MNW Community Center**

**Committee Members:**

	Present?		Present?
Kelley Minor, Chair	X	Allison Caraway	X
Robin Lent	X (by phone)	Louis Hallewell	X
Carol McNally	X	Sandy Brassard	X (by phone)
Candice Cowin	X		

**Issues Discussed:**

1. Monument Lighting

- Two bids were received. A third was solicited, but the electrician never submitted his bid after being reminded twice.
- Electricians are reporting back that the carriage lights may not be salvageable.
- Vote to approve the low bid passes unanimously.
- Action: Kelley to get with 1VP and Treasurer for approval.

2. Ladybugs' Arbor Day program

- Diane Payne, who chairs the Arbor Day program for the Ladybugs, was invited to present the group's plan for this year.
- Mrs. Payne indicated that the Ladybugs wanted to be a supplier of trees for the community, and that the CAMC would select the variety of trees desired, as well as where the trees were to be planted. Kelley confirmed with her that this was the desire of the group even if esplanade planting locations were not selected by the CAMC. Trees to be provided are in the 15-30 gallon range.
- After thanking Mrs. Payne for joining us, the group discussed the proposal.
  - Louis felt there were too many trees on the esplanades already.
  - The trees originally proposed weren't native, and there were concerns about care.
  - Concern about water supply on the esplanades; new trees need 5 gal, once a week.
- Vote to approve Mrs. Payne's proposal passes unanimously, with the provision that the Ladybugs be responsible for watering the newly planted trees and that they choose tree varieties from a list provided.

3. Acceptance of new members

- Vote to accept new members, as they arise, after vote of the committee

4. Wildflower area in back of nature trail

- Robin indicated that she and Sandy would like to plant wildflowers on the back part of the community center property. Cost estimated to be around \$500 for seed. No vote taken on this initiative yet.

- Louis suggested checking with the Ladybird Johnson Foundation for seed donations. Robin to check into it.
  - Brookway bush hogs the area twice a year. Group approved bush hogging soon. Robin to request it of Brookway.
5. Drain in back of property
- Robin indicates there is a drain needing to be cleaned out.
6. Meeting dates
- Rather than meeting the weekend before the Board meeting, we will now meet two weekends before to allow time to prepare minutes and reports before the reporting deadline.
  - Kelley will post meeting dates on CAMC's Facebook page.