MABA MINUTES - January 11, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m. @ The Hangout

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Natalie and we entered into a closed session.

Closed session ended at 6:50, and we entered into the open session and began the business of the meeting.

Board members present: Natalie, Michelle, Bonnie, Gary, Caroline; Additional guests: Greg Pierce, Marcie Scott, Allen Obermiller; Absent: Stephanie, Cheryl and Teresa

**Secretary report:** The secretary's report was given. Approved by Greg, seconded by Gary.

**Treasurer report:** The treasurer's report was presented by Bonnie. No action was needed.

## **Old Business:**

- Lantern Launch: Despite the weather, there was a great turnout. We're looking to purchase a more permanent option for the luminaries rather than the paper bags.
- Festival of Trees: Again, great attendance for this event. The line for Santa was so long we had to cut it off due to the time. Perhaps we need to get Santa for longer. Caroline will put together a reimbursement sheet for the crafts that were purchased for the kids at the library.

## New Business:

- Approval of Updated Bylaws: Purposed update: *Officers shall be elected annually from and by MABA membership at its regular meeting in November of each year in the following staggered terms. President and Secretary on even years and Vice President and Treasurer on odd years.* Bonnie motioned to approve the bylaws as presented; Caroline 2nd, motion carried.
- Installation of Officers: Officers for 2024 include: Natalie Lancial, president, Stephanie Bowden, vice president; Bonnie Pierce, treasurer; Michelle Zanders, secretary; board members, Caroline Obermiller and Marcie Scott. We have one open seat on the board.
- 2024 Budget: Tabled to February.
- 2024 Letter to Bank: Michelle will send the updated letter of authorization to the bank. Those authorized on the account will be: Natalie, Stephanie, Bonnie and Michelle.
- Valentine's Dinner: With the change in the Super Bowl date and other events happening locally, we've decided to cancel the dinner for 2024. We are looking at other events we could do in 2024. A few ideas include: a bingo night, hosting a gala to celebrate the community building turning 100 this year. More to come in February.
- East Mills PTO 5k: The East Mills PTO is looking to host a 5k run in the spring and is asking for donations. Michelle will ask Shelby Blum to make a formal request for her to present at the March meeting. We're looking at donating water for the runners or prizes.

## Additional Discussion/Comments:

Adjournment: motion \_\_Michelle\_\_ and 2nd \_\_Caroline\_\_ adjourn time: 8:02 p.m.

Next Meeting: February 8, 2024 @ 6:30 pm @ Classic Cafe