

Birchwood Connection Committee



**CITY OF BIRCHWOOD VILLAGE
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

October 13th, 2026

6:00 P.M.

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of the Birchwood Village Connection Committee is to advise the City Council on opportunities for residents to gather including how to fund each activity.

Committee Members

Jamie Eisele, Chair

Nan Drews, Secretary

Ashley Belisle, Member

Shelley Ross, Member

Jennifer Arsenault, Council Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE AGENDA

APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

COMMITTEE BUSINESS - REGULAR AGENDA

1. Flannel Festival - day of planning

ADJOURN



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BIRCHWOOD VILLAGE CONNECTIONS COMMITTEE
CITY OF BIRCHWOOD VILLAGE
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**SEPTEMBER 28, 2026
6:00 P.M.**

Committee Members Present

Jamie Eisele, Chair
Nan Drews, Secretary
Ashley Belisle, Member
Shelley Ross, Member
Jennifer Arsenault, Council Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion: Nan Drews; Seconded by Shelley Ross. Agenda approved by unanimous vote.

OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: Ashley Belisle, Seconded by Shelley Ross. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS - REGULAR AGENDA

1. Flannel Fest

- The committee discussed its outreach to the League of Minnesota Cities legal advisors to clarify what is allowed when planning and holding city events. In general, cities are allowed to use budget for events of historical significance or related to the arts.
- In light of this information, the committee discussed re-scoping the Flannel Fest to rely on donations only. Event attendees will be encouraged to bring their own yard games and beverages and enjoy music, food for purchase from El Pariente food truck and simple games and activities for which the supplies and prizes have been donated.

Motion: Nan Drews moved that Flannel Fest be re-scoped as a casual community gathering and fully funded by donations. Seconded by Ashley Belisle.

ATTACHMENTS

N/A

ADJOURN

Motion: Shelley Ross; Second: Ashley Belisle. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Next meeting: October 13 at 6 pm

Minutes submitted by Nan Drews, secretary, Birchwood Village Connections committee