

Minutes

Northeast Neighborhood Council, Inc.
803 N. Notre Dame Avenue
Monday, January 13, 2020

Attendance: Bill Stenz, President; Chuck Nelson, 2nd Vice President; Solomon Anderson, Treasurer; John Butkovich; Jean Hanrahan; Torrence Moody; Dan Presler; Beth Sanford; Erin Shell; Peter Stone; Nan Tulchinsky; LuElla Webster.

Partner: Mike Hastings

Guests: Sgt. Anthony Ierici, SBPD; Capt. J. Leszczynski, SBPD; Ryan Rucker, COSB; Elliot Rosen; Ann Rosen.

Excused: Gary King, Kem Meyer, Jeanne Ewing, Patty Walsh, Marguerite Taylor, Meleah Pustelak.

I. Call to Order 5:30 p.m. by Bill Stenz

II. Minutes Approval: The November 2019 Minutes were approved as submitted.

III. Financial Report: Solomon Anderson reported. The account balance at the end of December 2019 was \$26,920.16. There was an anonymous donation of \$6,000 through the Community Foundation.

IV. President's Comments: An NRC Open House is being held on Friday, January 17th between 4:30 and 7:00 pm at the DTSB office. It will feature a workshop for Engaging Youth Engaging Neighbors.

V. Special Reports.

a. Crime report. A homicide investigation concluded that the murder of the victim recently found in a neighborhood alley did not occur in the neighborhood. Residents are encouraged to call the police about any suspicious activities. The police are continuing their walking patrols.

b. Notre Dame report. Mike Hastings reported that construction of the new Robinson Center continues to move along smoothly. Eddy Street, north of Howard will be open to traffic this summer. The foundation for row homes near the new Robinson Center has been poured. Mike confirmed that Simply Pressed will be opening at Eddy Street Commons in the former Yats location. 5 units in the Northeast Building in Phase II ESC are available for retail or office space. A retail space across from Old National is available and there is no information yet about the vacated Kilwins location.

c. Food Pantry Report: In September, 58 households and 245 total individuals were served. Sgt. Ierici mentioned that Shop With A Cop received a huge donation of toys and may be able to collaborate with the Food Pantry. Elliot Rosen suggested potential collaboration with Unity Gardens.

d. NNRO. Two lots in the Triangle currently owned by the Housing Authority will hopefully be developed with moderate income homes. Moderate income homes are under construction on St. Louis and Hill Streets. Planning is in the works for Senior Housing (possibly 20 units) on Eddy St. between Cedar and Miner. Redevelopment east of Eddy Street is being considered. There will be potential movement this summer regarding the future of the current RCLC site. There is no update on the Charlie Hays development at the old 5 Points (the curve on Eddy and 23).

e. Firehouse Restoration. \$160,000 has been raised so far with focus on the building's exterior. There will be some budgeting for interior work.

f. Robinson Center 20th Anniversary Celebration. The event will be held on Friday, February 14th between 5:30pm and 7:00pm. Everyone is asked to share memories of their RCLC experiences for the occasion.

VI. New Business. The City of South Bend is looking for residents to volunteer as citizen members on numerous committees of the Common Council and other city departments. This includes an initiative for South Bend to be a "CDFI Friendly City."

VII. Announcements.

- a. LuElla gave an update on Marguerite. She is at Holy Cross Rehabilitation in the St. John unit. Her room is 1120 and her phone number is 247-4120. Prayers for Marguerite's son, Michael, who is in the hospital. She extended an invitation to the board to sit on Marguerite's pew at church.
- b. Ryan Ryker from the City of South Bend will follow up with Alkeyna Aldrich on Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) opportunities for resident engagement.
- c. "Love Your Block" has a trailer outfitted with equipment to clean up neighborhoods.
- d. Martin Luther King Jr. birthday celebrations were announced.

VIII. Adjournment: 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary
From notes submitted courtesy of Erin Shell

Next Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting
February 10, 2020 5:30 p.m.
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