

Minutes

Northeast Neighborhood Council, Inc.
803 N. Notre Dame Avenue
Monday, July 8, 2019

Attendance: Bill Stenz, President; Marguerite Taylor, Vice President; Chuck Nelson, 2nd Vice President; Solomon Anderson, Treasurer; Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary; John Butkovich; J Kisha Hoover; Mattie Hoover; Gary King; Kem Meyer; Torrence Moody; Mary Nelson; Meleah Pustelak; Beth Sanford; Erin Shell; Nan Tulchinsky, LuElla Webster; Ella Williams

Guests: Rick Kettler, Megan Twietmeyer

Partner: Greg Hakanen

I. Call to Order 5:40 p.m. by Bill Stenz

II. Introduction of new board members. Meleah Pustelak and Ella Williams introduced themselves as we welcomed them to the NENC board.

III. Minutes Approval: The May, 2019 Minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. Financial Report: Solomon Anderson reported that the balance at the end of June was \$20,924.28. Marguerite reported that \$200.00 was collected in \$5.00 annual membership fees at our annual meeting. She also announced that the NENC contributed \$100.00 to the Holy Temple book bag drive

V. President's Comments: Bill Stenz introduced Megan Twietmeyer, a graduate student at IUSB and teacher at Adams. As part of her graduate studies, Megan is interested in assisting the NENC by assessing our needs and researching solutions. Bill also mentioned that Jo Broden has advised that the city is beginning the process of zoning revisions by adding a new class, SF3 to include additional dwelling options such as duplex. Jo's zoning ordinance update materials were forwarded to the board on via email attachment on July 8th. We will be kept in the loop as the process moves forward.

VI. Special Reports.

a. Crime report. No officers present. LuElla talked with Officer Corey Calvert about "House Chat" in an effort to help improve the police image among neighbors (adults, young adults and children). We can choose which officers to invite to this casual meet and greet event. A date has not yet been set.

b. Notre Dame report. Greg Hakanen expressed his appreciation for the 2019 Monk Malloy Award. He wanted us to know that he emailed Monk Malloy with the news. He advised us that Buildings B and D on the east side of Eddy Street will be open to graduate student rental in late July. At the same time, that section of Eddy Street will open to pedestrians on the east side of the street. Cars will temporarily enter off Georgianna. When the project is complete, cars will access the buildings through St. Vincent. Greg's successor, Mike Hastings will attend the August NENC meeting with Greg.

c. Food Pantry Report. Nan Tulchinsky reported that things are going well at the Pantry. June activity was consistent with May. Clothes are now available for clients. They are sorted and shelved at the Pantry. Larger donated items will be sold during the "garage sale" at our Back To School Picnic.

d. NNRO. The recent meeting included discussion of proposed re-zoning, mostly in the downtown district. Early plans for the next phase of Eddy Street development which will move south towards LaSalle Street were also discussed. A small committee has been formed to fill vacant residential board positions. The Annual NNRO Board Meeting will be

held in the fall; date to be announced. Every member of the NENC Board will be invited to this meeting/luncheon event.

e. East Side Reunion. The event takes place on August 2nd and 3rd beginning with a meet and greet on the evening of the 2nd at Perley School. Tickets are \$30 for a family of 5. The fee covers insurance, security, golf carts to transport the elderly, Joy's Johns, etc. Expenses are estimated at \$5,700. T Shirts will be sold on Friday and Saturday.

f. Firehouse Restoration. Fundraising is halfway to meeting the goal with \$135,000 now committed. There was an anonymous donation of \$17,000. Contractors will be sought on a bid basis with some effort to seek donations in kind. Some work may begin before summer ends. The restoration website is: <https://historicfirehouse7.com/>

VII. New Business

a. Gary King has volunteered to revive the NENC Newsletter. Megan Twietmeyer offered to research options such as digital production in addition to print production. A motion was made and passed to explore reintroduction of the NENC newsletter and Gary King will head the committee.

b. Rick Kettler, a new resident on Frances Street, asked about progress on traffic calming and proposed signage. LuElla reported that new signage is beginning to appear including reflection bars on 4 way stop near Kelly Park. A Yield sign with flashing lights is being installed on the corner of Howard and St. Louis.

c. Marguerite handed out a spread sheet with board member contact information. The board was asked to contact her with changes, additions and corrections.

d. A Public Forum on the State of our Local Minority Community will be held at the Bendix Theater on Sunday, July 14th. The public is encouraged to attend.

IX. Announcements. No announcements.

X. Adjournment: 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary

Next Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting
August 12, 2019 5:30 p.m.
Northeast Neighborhood Center
803 N. Notre Dame Ave.
South Bend, IN 46617