

Minutes

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

Attendance: Bill Stenz, President; Chuck Nelson, Second Vice President; Solomon Anderson, Treasurer; Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary; John Butkovich; Kisha Hoover; Meleah Pustalak; Beth Sanford; Erin Shell; Nan Tulchinsky, Ella Williams

Partner: Mike Hastings

Excused: Marguerite Taylor, LuElla Webster, Jean Hanrahan, Mattie Hoover

- I. Bill Stenz hosted this meeting on Zoom. He called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Minutes Approval: The June 2020 Minutes were approved as submitted.
- III. Financial Report: Balance at the end of June was \$29,378.59. Donations were received from Margaret and Karl King and OneHope Winery in Napa Valley, California.
- IV. President's Comments: No comments.
- V. Special Reports.
 - a. Crime Report. No police officers present. Erin Shell informed the board that Officer Ream (2nd shift) says the area has been generally quiet. However, early morning prior to this meeting, there was a shooting on Notre Dame and Corby Avenues. The victim was shot in the leg. Ella Williams mentioned that young people are still hanging out at the McKinley Ave. house where a 17-year-old was shot and killed in May.
 - b. Notre Dame report. Mike Hastings reported that Notre Dame will be welcoming students back to begin classes on August 10th. The Robinson Center will be safely starting some programs in August. Demolition of the old Robinson Center and adjacent buildings is delayed for a short time until a contractor agreement is reached. The green space near Brothers will be developed as a park (conceptually a dog park). A playground for young children will be installed on the southeast corner of the new Robinson Center property. A South Bend Police Dept. substation will soon be opening near Brothers on Eddy Street. Cunningham Restaurant Group is transitioning the Livery Restaurant at Eddy Street Commons to its BRU Burger Bar concept. The restaurant is expected to open in August.
 - c. Food Pantry Report: Nan Tulchinsky reported that things are going well at the Pantry with all clients being served regardless of where they live. 261 people were served during June. The staff (Nan, Jim Kapsa and Meleah Pustalak) keeps the Pantry meticulously clean and strictly adheres to minimal contact and social distancing. Fresh salads are now provided from Green Bridge, a local farm worked by young people on the autism spectrum. They harvest, package and deliver the salads the same day they are ordered. Purple Porch provides onions, green beans, tomatoes etc. Individual families are also contributing produce from their gardens.
 - d. NNRO. Bill Stenz reported that NNRO 2.0 was approved at the July 8th meeting. It is a 20-page document outlining the next 1 – 5 years of community development along and east of Eddy Street and south of Howard. Four major committees have been created: Resident Wellness, Partnerships (stakeholders), Affordable Housing and Economic Empowerment. The document will be sent to the board as soon as it is available.

e. Firehouse Restoration. Work is now underway on the building's exterior; the board was encouraged to drive by and take a look.

f. City of South Bend. No report.

g. Fredrickson Commons Development. The site plan for this project was forwarded to the Board prior to the meeting. It includes 35 lots and will feature mostly townhomes with some single-family houses similar to the homes on the north side of the Firehouse (community center).

VI. New Business.

a. Neighbors who want to attend the NENC meetings can sign in through the link. Let Bill Stenz know who will be joining in advance so he can sign them in.

b. Tom Mustillo, the neighbor on the south side of the old Pandora's building, continues to pursue his case after the Indiana State Supreme Court ruled that he has standing to sue.

VII. Announcements. No announcements

VIII. Adjournment: 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary

Next Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting
August 10, 2020
Zoom
South Bend, IN 46617