

Minutes

Northeast Neighborhood Council, Inc.
803 N. Notre Dame Avenue
Monday, January 13, 2025

Attendance: Bill Stenz, President; Marguerite Taylor, 1st Vice President; Chuck Nelson, 2nd Vice President; Patty Walsh, Secretary; Solomon Anderson; Gwen O'Brien; Erin Shell; Nan Tulchinsky.

Guests: Leigh Hayden (UND DPAC), Mary McAfee (Director EEE, COSB), Harry Gilbride (COSB), Sgt. Jarvior Bourne (SBPD), Lou Weber, Karl King

Excused: Kisha Hoover, Beth Sanford, LuElla Webster

I. This meeting was called to order at 5:30pm

II. **Minutes Approval:** The November minutes were approved.

III. **President's Comments:** A new laptop has been purchased for the Food Pantry and Bill plans to purchase an Owl device shortly to set up for hybrid meetings. We should be able to meet in both person and on Zoom by the spring. Bill updated the board on Felicia Caponigri's efforts to have Harter Heights designated as a Conservation or Historic District if neighbors agree.

IV. **Financial Report:** No report

V. Special Reports

- a. Crime Report. Sgt. Jarvior Bourne was in attendance. He announced that SBPD will be hosting a Citizen's Police Academy beginning on March 4th. It is a 9-week course. Applications are available. He encouraged us to contact his office for issues such as recurring traffic problems so extra patrols can be assigned to monitor (sbpdoutreach@southbendin.gov). Erin asked about the status of a problem house on the 1200 block of Miner. Officer Bourne said he would find out and report back. He also emailed the December crime stats to Patty for circulation to the Board.
- b. Notre Dame report. Gwen will update us on plans to welcome the football team back after the National Championship game. Planning is also underway for the UND tables at the Martin Luther King Jr. breakfast.
- c. Food Pantry Report. Nan reported that the Pantry served a record number of clients on a recent Tuesday. 30 families were served in one day which translates to 140 people. During that same week, 54 families, 220 people total were served. Nan and her staff are busy but able to keep up with the demand.
- d. Holladay Properties. Paul Phair and James Randolph were not able to attend but sent us the following report on the 5-corners project:
We are nearing completion of the framing of both buildings and should be done with that task by the end of this week. Siding and exterior masonry should start in the next few weeks contingent on the weather, but most of the immediate work is being completed interior to the buildings. There are currently 2 of 4 condo units under contract in the building on the corner, and we have a few very early prospects for the commercial space (1st floor of the corner building) but no tours yet. Most potential users are waiting to submit anything until we have an enclosed space that they can visualize. The corner building is scheduled for completion in May of this year. In addition, we are starting to receive phone calls for apartment units in the south building. We are providing as much information as we can to those who call, but we do not plan to start active marketing of the rental units until June of this year which is about 6 months prior to completion. At that point, we will add information to our website and set rents for the units.

- e. NNRO. Karl King spoke about the NNRO 2.0 document which was developed 5 years ago. He and Gwen are working on a draft of an updated document which will be circulated for comment. The NNRO fact sheet and the NNRO page on the South Bend Heritage website haven't been updated since 2020. Karl emphasized the importance of getting this done, as well, to reflect the accomplishments of the CLT and Owner Occupied Rehab programs among many other updates.
- f. Quigley Park, Ignite Grant. Property lines still must be defined, particularly on the west side so the fence bearing our neighborhood sign can be erected. A boundary survey will be conducted. Karl will find out if the title work needs attention.
- g. Turnock Street Development. The ranch CLT home is at the framing stage with other work moving along nicely.
- h. NENC Website. Our ".org" website will be live soon. There was discussion about the need for a social media presence. Karl pointed out that social media is the best way to draw people to the website. He noted that Facebook is the main interaction lower income people have with the internet. Gwen recommended developing a strategy for the type of page we want and how open or closed it should be. Harry Gilbride suggested we also consider Instagram. Harry, Gwen and Karl will work on this.
- i. COSB. Mary McAfee and Harry Gilbride were present. Mary announced that the city wants to celebrate and honor the neighborhood associations of South Bend. Harry asked our group to consider what type of celebration might be appropriate. Mary thanked us for our leadership and hard work.
- j. Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting and holiday celebration was a success. It was an evening of fellowship, good food and reflection on the accomplishments during the past year. Two of our community leaders were honored with the Monk Malloy award for their outstanding contributions: Beth Sanford and Karl King.

VI. Open to the Community. No announcements

VII. Announcements. No announcements

VIII. Adjournment: 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary

Next Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting

February 10, 5:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

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