

Minutes

Northeast Neighborhood Council, Inc.
803 N. Notre Dame Avenue
Monday, February 10, 2025

Attendance: Bill Stenz, President; Marguerite Taylor, 1st Vice President; Chuck Nelson, 2nd Vice President; Patty Walsh, Secretary; Solomon Anderson; Mozell-Arthur Bowens; Kisha Hoover; Derrick Perry; Gwen O'Brien; Beth Sanford; Erin Shell; Nan Tulchinsky.

Guests: Harry Gilbride (COSB), Officer Brian Meador (SBPD), Lou Weber, Karl King

Excused: LuElla Webster

I. This meeting was called to order at 5:31pm

II. Minutes Approval: Bill gave a brief correction on the January Minutes, Turnock section. Just a single family home is in the process of construction right now, not a duplex. He will talk more about this during the Turnock Street discussion. The correction was made and January Minutes were approved.

III. President's Comments: No new comments

IV. Financial Report: Bill reported. Another large CD is coming up for renewal. We received almost \$5,000 in donations for the Food Pantry last month

V. Special Reports

- a. Crime Report. Officer Brian Meador attended and reminded the NENC that the monthly crime stats meeting would be held on Wednesday, February 12 at the Police Station at 6:30pm . Public is invited to attend. He was happy to report crime reduction for the 4th year in a row due to GVI strategies. Bill mentioned that we signed up for a grant to get security cameras at the Firehouse. Officer Meador will check into that for us.
- b. Notre Dame report. Gwen provided the date for Back the Bend, March 29th. The ribbon cutting for the Link will take place on April 24th outside of the Firehouse at 10:30 a.m. At 10:00 a.m. a walk will begin at Notre Dame Ave. and Angela proceeding to the Firehouse. Gwen announced that the RCLC has received a 3.7 million dollar grant from Lilly to expand the "Talk With Your Baby" program. The parent curriculum will grow from a singles module of 8 lessons to 4 modules of 32 lessons delivered in both English and Spanish. This grant will also allow the program to expand into Elkhart, LaPorte and Marshall Counties. Another grant from Early Learning Indiana will support the expansion of licensed pre-school programs and teachers. Gwen reminded us Mozell asked if children within the 46617 zip code might have priority access to these programs and how families can apply. Gwen said that the 46617 children do have priority, their families just need to apply. She will discuss ways of getting information to neighbors with Susan Devetski, RCLC director. Solomon asked if there would be an anniversary celebration at the RCLC this year. Gwen will check but said emphasis would be on the 25th Anniversary celebration next year.
- c. Food Pantry Report. No report
- d. Holladay Properties. Paul Phair and James Randolph were not able to attend. Bill mentioned the visible wall of concrete on the north face of the building. He said this will be remediated although he did not know the plan.
- e. NNRO. Karl King and Gwen O'Brien are working on updating the NNRO 2.0 document originally published in 2020. They would like to re-visit several items in the original document that haven't yet been addressed. One such item involves identifying ownership of properties on the east side of Eddy Street. Karl and Gwen will provide the Board input while Marco and Kristin will offer staff input on creation of the NNRO 2.1 plan. Karl hopes to have a version of 2.1 prepared soon for the NENC Board to review. He will have much more to report in the coming months.

- f. Quigley Park, Ignite Grant. We await property survey results in order to proceed with planned signage. The hope is to have something in the works to highlight Quigley as an important site along the Link Trail in time for the April ribbon cutting.
- g. Turnock Street Development. The ranch CLT home is at the framing stage with other work moving along nicely.
- h. NENC Website. Gwen and Karl recently met with Coleen Wilcox, a colleague of Gwen. They discussed developing a strategy to improve outreach to neighbors, including a social media presence. The existing NENC website is now updated and will eventually be migrated to the new, more interactive site.
- i. COSB. Patty reported that she, LuElla and Marguerite attended the Neighborhoods Consortium meeting last week. The city is looking for citizen input on updating the city website. There is also a tree canopy initiative which includes tree giveaways to residents. This includes trees for planting on private property. Harry Gilbride said this is part of a large USDA grant to plant several thousand trees in various locations identified around the city. Mozell inquired whether the city can help repair a large divit caused by construction on Turnock. Harry will reach out to see what can be done. Mozell also asked if there is a source for ordinance code. Harry located a brochure on the city website that he will forward to Mozell. Officer Meador also said to Google South Bend Municipal Ordinance and a resource (library.municode.com/south bend/) will pull up with a complete listing.

VI. Open to the Community. No announcements

VII. Announcements. Marguerite announced that Derrick Perry is being honored on the billboard on South Bend Ave. for Black History Month. Derrick was congratulated by everyone.

VIII. Adjournment: 6:22 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary

Next Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting
March 10, 2025 5:30 pm
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83549818267?pwd=RXp3WEg1K2RVbkxKUkZlWkVxeW9LZz09>