

Minutes

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

Attendance: Bill Stenz, President; Marguerite Taylor, 1st Vice President; Chuck Nelson, 2nd Vice President; Mozell-Arthur Bowens; Derrick Perry; Gwen O'Brien; Beth Sanford; Erin Shell; Nan Tulchinsky; LuElla Webster

Guests: Lou Weber, Councilwoman Rachel Tomas Morgan, James Randolph (Holladay Properties)

Excused: Patty Walsh

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

II. Minutes Approval: February Minutes are not yet circulated.

III. President's Comments: Bill congratulated Marguerite who will be an honoree at the 100 Black Women History Month Celebration on March 20th at the Charles Black Center.

IV. Financial Report: Bill reported renewal of a CD last month with another coming up later in March. We have 4 separate CDs maturing in this year alone. \$11,000 in donations were received in February for the Food Pantry.

V. Special Reports

- a. Crime Report. Beth reported a shots fired incident coming from an Airbnb at 511 Howard Street (about 38 rounds of gunfire). The home at 917 Lawrence had a bullet penetrate the fence and house. Neighbors observed individuals running from the scene. LuElla reported a young man was assaulted at Howard and Hill Streets. Seven individuals jumped the victim and beat him with a brick. The victim was seriously injured and lost his eye.
- b. Notre Dame report. Ribbon cutting for the Link will take place at 10:30am on Thursday, April 24th outside the Firehouse. There will be refreshments served.
- c. Food Pantry Report. Nan reported that the Food Pantry is very busy. Martins gave Nan permission to purchase 10 dozen cartons of eggs at a time. The cartons are split in half and half a dozen are given to each family.
- d. Holladay Properties. James Randolph joined the meeting. Bill mentioned that the north façade of the building is a huge blank wall in front of the parking area. James said there is internal discussion about this issue and the wall will be fully clad perhaps with a brick veneer and other creative ideas. He anticipates that the first units will be available for occupancy in November. He may be able to arrange an NENC tour of the site sometime in early May.
- e. NNRO. Gwen reported that the NNRO will be circulating a neighborhood survey as part of the effort to update the strategic neighborhood plan. Residents will be notified in a variety of ways: text, postcards, signs, social media etc. The goal is to have data collected on resident needs by August. Bill reported that Karl King is working on expanding grant writing opportunities for the neighborhood affordable housing effort. The concept is to raise between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 for the purpose of working on multiple homes at once. The hope to generate some return for foundations willing to support this project. The Senior Housing project on Eddy Street is starting to gain momentum with negotiations underway for two parcels.
- f. Quigley Park, Ignite Grant. We now know the property lines and are in the planning stage for design. The Ignite grant is for a fence on the west side of the park which will display a sign identifying the Northeast Neighborhood. Hopefully, the fountain and trough can be cleaned up, perhaps lit and protected from further deterioration.

- g. Back the Bend. Gwen mentioned that there will be a crew of students assigned to both Kelly and Quigley parks. LuElla is planning the annual Back the Bend bus trip that takes 56 seniors to tour various locations around the city. In addition to sites on the Notre Dame campus, a planned stop this year was the Martin Luther King Dream Center. That stop was cancelled because of preparations for the dedication ceremony a week later. She asked for alternative ideas. Beth suggested the Morris and Palais Royale.
- h. Turnock Street Development. Mozell said progress is being made on several of the units. He also said that the divot he reported last month in front of 826 Turnock has now turned into a crater and poses a hazard to vehicles. Councilwoman Rachel Tomas Morgan was in attendance and advised that Mozell and other neighbors call 311 to get this problem on record so there can be follow-up.
- i. NENC Website. No report.
- j. COSB. No report

VI. Open to the Community. Erin Shell recently attended a Robinson Center advisory committee meeting. She asked if children in the 46617 zip code were given priority in the RCLC programs. The answer is yes but they need to apply, meet the criteria and pay the fees. LuElla said she has personally reached out to 46617 residents but they need to follow up. If residents need information they should call the RCLC and ask for her, Miss Ty or Miss Susan. Solomon suggested that we invite Miss Ty to a board meeting to further explain the programs and fee structure.

VII. Announcements.

VIII. Adjournment: 6:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Patty Walsh, Recording Secretary

Next Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting
April , 2025 5:30 pm
Hybrid Meeting: Firehouse, 803 N. Notre Dame Ave.
Or, Join Zoom Meeting:

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