



## Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

*Wednesday, April 11, 2018*

The meeting began at 6:01 p.m. with 18 voting members present. The roster also recorded 11 guests. The March minutes were approved without any changes, with no objections and no abstentions.

Council member Candace Mumm spoke about the permitting of a lot to build a home near Corbin Park. Neighborhood members are concerned that the building does not meet the historic district requirements.

She also spoke about the Corbin Senior Center parking lot and using street funds to assist with repaving.

Business on Monroe has dropped about 30% since the beginning of the street project. The City will match investments with property owners who are seeking façade improvements and the applications already exceed over \$800,000. Ms. Mumm will be looking into having the Traffic Department look into changing the timing of the lights on Post.

Taylor attended the [Spokane Matters 2.0](#) kickoff. It is an opportunity for multiple neighborhood council representatives to come together with City department representatives and other community stakeholders to discuss neighborhood priorities. Selected projects include zombie houses being turned into low income housing, 6-block safe routes surrounding schools by placing sidewalks and ramps, and safety around Shadle Park and Shadle Library. If you are interested in participating in any of these projects, contact Taylor at [myneighbortaylor@gmail.com](mailto:myneighbortaylor@gmail.com).

The Corbin Senior Center and Neighborhood Council partnership for a picnic will move forward. The picnic will be Saturday, July 7, and it will have a luau theme. More details will come soon.

Legislative Assistant to Senator Billig, Noelle Connolly, spoke about an upcoming town hall. It will be at the East Central Community Center ([500 S Stone](#)) on Saturday, April 14 from 10-11:30am.

Neighborhood Clean Up (Karl Boldt): Over the past 9 years, over 662 tons of refuse have been removed. Saturday, May 19 will be this year's clean up date. It will be at Faith Bible Church ([600 W Cora](#)) from 9am-12:30pm. The Salvation Army will be available to accept donations of useable items and electronics recycling. Volunteers are needed from 8am-1pm to help direct traffic and to pick up trash in their pickup trucks. Contact Karl Boldt at 325-3031 if you would like to volunteer. Dump passes will be available at the Farmers Market on the first Fridays. On the last Saturday in October, a clean green pick up is planned.

Building Stronger Neighborhoods (E.J. Iannelli): They typically do one training per quarter. They are looking for a new representative from our neighborhood. Contact E.J. at [ej.iannelli@gmail.com](mailto:ej.iannelli@gmail.com) if you are interested.

Farmers Market (E.J. Iannelli): Please sign up for the [Neighborhood e-Newsletter](#). The market will be in the same location as last year in the parking lot of the Institute for Extended Learning. They are seeking volunteers. The first day of the market will be June 8 at 3pm.

Historic Preservation Committee: If you are interested in serving on that committee, contact E.J. at [ej.iannelli@gmail.com](mailto:ej.iannelli@gmail.com).

Corbin Senior Center (Laura Schlagen): They had 350 people at their health fair and signed up 48 new members. The [annual golf tournament](#) will be on June 22 at Deer Park Golf Course. They met with EGNC to plan a picnic.

Community Assembly (Tom Powell): The meeting focused on a proposed tax code adjustment. There will be a workshop about this on May 31 from 6-8pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Spokane ([4340 W Fort Wright Dr](#)). CDBG applications are due in June.

Land Use Committee (Barb Biles): They are working on commenting on a change in an ordinance for electrical fences so light industrial will be able to use these. They are continuing to work on the comprehensive plan amendments.

Neighborhood Safety Committee (Mella Harmon): They received 311 responses from a survey. They will be looking at the results more deeply next month. The key word from their preliminary look was regarding crime.

North Monroe Business District (Gene Brake): They elected [new officers](#) at their last meeting. They have an Earth Day event on April 21-22. Visit North Monroe businesses for a free gift. Go to [meetonmonroe.com](http://meetonmonroe.com) to get updates regarding businesses and the street project.

Pedestrian, Traffic & Transportation (PeTT) Committee (Tom Powell): There was a forum in lieu of the regular meeting. The City would like to have 20 mph limits around parks, but they do not have a way to enforce it. This discussion will continue at the City because different departments have different answers regarding what the current limits are.

The council voted to move forward with the current officers for another year. Tim and Taylor will continue as co-chairs (unless Tim protests), Karl and Tom will continue as co-vice chairs, and Carlie will continue as secretary.

The meeting broke up into smaller discussion groups to discuss crime issues. A note taker for each group will record their topics to be collected and analyzed. Taylor will choose the most popular topics to discuss at the next EGNC meeting.

The next EGNC meeting will be held on May 9 at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

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