

Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

The meeting began at 6pm with 21 voting members present. The roster also recorded 9 guests. The April minutes were approved without any changes, with no objections and no abstentions.

Two items were added to the agenda. Karl will report on the neighborhood cleanup. Taylor will present two options for the neighborhood's <u>COPS Mounted Patrol</u> flag for the group to vote on.

The revisions to the **by-laws** were approved without changes, with no objections or abstentions.

Taylor discussed the landscaped pieces of land behind Perfection Tire and the need for volunteers to take over the landscaping. We discussed holding an annual clean up event for the landscaped traffic islands in the neighborhood beginning in 2020. We will hold a <u>traffic island cleanup</u> day on Saturday, May 25 at 9 am. Volunteers will meet at the Maple traffic island (<u>1500 W Euclid</u>). Volunteers should bring weed pullers, trowels, shovels, garden gloves, water, etc.

Our Community Engagement Grant was approved. We will be distributing door hangers that include neighborhood and City brochures. Taylor created a Neighborhood Treasure Map and took feedback on the content and design. We discussed using plastic sleeves rather than door hangers to save money and use the extra money on printed materials. Taylor will present this proposal to the Budget Committee. The group approved of these changes, with no objections or abstentions.

Karl presented to group about the <u>Neighborhood Clean Up</u>. We were briefly in danger of having to cancel the event; fortunately we were able to get a sponsor. We are looking for volunteers to help guide cars onto the site. If you would like to volunteer, call Karl 325-3031. Curbside pickup for large furniture and large appliances will be in October.

Spokane Public Library (Jeff Benefield): \$21000 in fines were waived during their Food for Fines month. Next week is Pet Week. Bring pet food, and the library will waive your overdue fines. He also brought information about the Shadle Library remodel and print materials for the door hangers.

EJ lannelli let us know that Spokane Arts will be conducting a lit crawl at local businesses on June 9. He also updated us on the sign design that will be installed between North Hill and Emerson Garfield neighborhoods. He filled us in on some initial design ideas.

Farmers' Market (EJ Iannelli): We were able to get our fiscal sponsor (North Monroe Busindess District) successfully transferred and approved to accept EBT. Many updates were needed with the transfer, and EJ worked diligently to get it finished. We still need KERNEL volunteers after the first two weeks of the market. The sponsor banner is filled.

Candace Mumm talked to the group about a new program that provides supervision for those convicted of auto theft. Flashing school radar signs were installed on Maple and Ash near Rowan and Monroe at Wellesley. Neighborhoods can apply for school related <u>traffic calming</u> projects at any time in the year. Knox Church is contemplating a childcare facility.

Building Stronger Neighborhoods (Anne Luttrull): Logan neighborhood Cleaning from the Corridor was 4/27. An in-depth marketing toolkit training took place. It will be online soon. They will be inviting the NUSA attendees to an upcoming meeting.

Treasurer (Gene Brake): \$540.59 is in our bank account.

Although we failed to fill out conflict of interest forms for CDGB, George Dahl let us know that he would still designate the funds for Rogers High School clinic project.

Pedestrian, Traffic, and Transportation (Carlie Hoffman): Visit <u>NSCplace.com</u> to view current projects, ideas, and upcoming planning events for the Children of the Sun Trail along the North Spokane Corridor. PeTT is also seeking funds to bring in <u>Strong Towns</u> founder Charles Mahron, a speaker and author focused on urban planning and community engagement, for a speaking engagement on September 10.

Walk Bike Bus (Ann, Sarah, Elena): They are conducting a targeted marketing campaign in the neighborhood to encourage walking, biking, and busing. The have mailers and canvassers to spread the word. They are holding Wednesday walking groups. They will have experts available to help residents set individual goals for health and exercise.

North Monroe Business District (Gene Brake): They had their first mixer at Bellwether on April 21. They signed up three new members that night and ten new members in the last few weeks.

Corbin Senior Center (Jeff Edwards): They are trying to tell the community more about the Senior Center. They are projecting a message of joy, and they are a place for seniors to experience joy. He asks that we, as neighbors, help spread the word to the community. Their annual golf tournament is June 21. They are also holding a picnic at Corbin Park on July 13.

Community Assembly (Tom Powell): They discussed the future of the Assembly when they switch to the District model. He also discussed the increase in new homes in North Indian Trail and the lack of strategic planning for the area.

Gene announced that Corbin Park Yard Sale will be June 15, 9am-2pm.

The COPS Mounted Patrol asked us to design a flag for them to wave at neighborhood events. We had two designs to choose from. The group suggested we use the black version but with the green color scheme in Hadley font if possible. This suggestion was approved, with no objections and no abstentions.

The next EGNC meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 12 at 6 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.

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