



Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

Meeting Started: 6:02 PM

Voting Members Present: 24

Guests Present: 11

Minutes:

Motion to Approve March 2024 Minutes: Timothy Diko

Seconded to Approve March 2024 Minutes: Lonnie Boldt

Minutes Pass unanimously.

Chairs Report : (E.J. Iannelli)

- No update

Guest Speaker:

Northwest Sector Precinct Report: (Capt Tom Hendren)

- Hendren discussed that crime reports are up because the police are actively asking businesses to report all crimes. Residential burglary is 30% down year over year. He addressed, due to stories circulating in the media, that squatting is not legal in WA state. The park ordinance that was approved by City Council last year will start being emphasized next week. The police will be issuing infractions for violations.

SpoCanopy: (Justyce Brant)

- Justyce works for the non-profit the Spokane Lands Council. The SpoCanopy program is designed to increase urban canopy coverage in the city of Spokane to 30% by the year 2030. The Arborists are good at putting the right tree in the right place. To celebrate Expo 74 the Lands Council will be planting 500 trees the week of May 7-11. The EG neighborhood planting day will be Wednesday, May 8 at Corbin Park from 10:00AM-2:00PM and will plant 40 trees. Their website is landscouncil.org.

Discussion Items

Updates on City paperwork (MOUs, mobile trailers)

- Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) are signed with the city with regards to upkeep, traffic circle and parks. The city is changing how they administer these and the process will be a bit more formalized. The ONS-we will be alerted to current and old MOU's.
- Mobile speed feedback application was submitted. We voted as a Council to resubmit the same locations as last year. They allowed only 2 locations compared to 3 last year. However, E.J. did submit the 3rd location with the application and asked for consideration.

Concert in the Park

- The concert is booked for Sunday, August 18 in Emerson Park. Gene has found a band that is interested in performing at the concert. Rockabilly Space Force. Band fee is \$1,000 after a reduction for this event. So far there is one sponsor.

Motion to approve Rockabilly Space Force for the Concert in the Park band: Mary Charbonneau

Seconded to approve Rockabilly Space Force for the Concert in the Park band: Gee Sutherlin

Motion to approve Rockabilly Space Force for the Concert in the Park band Passes unanimously.

Proposed Asphalt Art locations

- Four locations have been suggested so far:
 - Intersection of Atlantic and Waverly
 - Intersection of Atlantic and Euclid
 - Locations that were suggested but are not eligible because they are arterials-the intersection of Buckeye and Washington, and the intersection of Post and Cleveland.

Other locations suggested during meeting:

- Intersection of York and Stevens
- Intersection of Park Place and Stevens

The council will vote for the locations in May.

Action Items

Vote on Zoom expense

- We need to purchase a Zoom account so that we can continue to offer remote meeting options and assists with meeting transcription. The estimated cost is approximately \$16 per month and is paid annually.

Motion to approve purchase of EGNC Zoom account: Bill Heaton

Seconded to approve purchase of EGNC Zoom account: Judy Heaton

Motion to Approve purchase of EGNC Zoom account passes unanimously.

EGNC officer elections

- Nominations:
 - **Chair**-Dani DeJaegher
 - **Vice Chair**-Eileen Kazura
 - **Secretary**-Katie Schneider
 - **Treasurer**-Judy Heaton

Motion to approve slate of officer candidates: Tim Musser

Seconded to approve slate of officer candidates: Timothy Diko

Slate of officer candidates pass unanimously.

Results-unanimous for the slate of officers above.

EGNC flyer funding

- Crystal created a flyer that highlights events and resources in the neighborhood. She is asking for funding for costs to print flyers.

Motion to approve up to \$100 of funding for flyer printing: Tim Diko

Seconded to approve up to \$100 of funding for flyer printing: Heath Kays

Motion to approve up to \$100 of funding for flyer printing passes unanimously.

Neighborhood Beautification project location vote-This will be moved as an action item during the May EGNC meeting.

Reports:

Spokane City Council: (Kitty Klitke)

- Upcoming public safety meetings are mainly about the open Police Chief position. The meetings will also include feedback about the opioid issue in Spokane. Next week the Council will also be considering a new ordinance requiring 6 months notice for rent increases. The Council is trying to determine when the optimal time is to put the public safety and parks bond on the ballot.

ONS: (Patrick Striker)

- Patrick said he will work to get the third mobile speed feedback unit allocated for EG. They put in another one. Chief of Police search meetings seeking input have begun. The Expo 74 50th anniversary starts next month.

Clean Up Program: (Jeff Thomas)

- The Cleanup event will be Saturday, May 18 from 9:00AM-12:00PM. The event will be at the Faith Bible Church again and will be held on the east side of the Church. They are actively looking for volunteers. Dump passes still available online on the city website.

Building Stronger Neighborhoods: (Crystal Glanz-Kreutz)

- Crystal attended the meeting virtually. The meeting was at the Hive. Amber from ONS discussed potential location for this year's upcoming Neighborhood Summit. Currently, looking at training tracks-DEI, technical training and assistance, safe and beautiful neighborhoods, and community and civic engagement. They are currently working on getting speakers, determining branding and grant and funding opportunities. Also discussed at the meeting was that the current SNLA cohort is going well.

Land Use: (Bill Heaton)

- The meetings are hybrid virtual and at West Central and are on the 4th Thursday of the month. At the March meeting Kevin Freibott discussed the current amendments to the action plan. The Planning Commission met and discussed density for multiunit facilities. There are continued discussions regarding parking in relation to new construction.

Pedestrian, Traffic, and Transportation (Carlie Hoffman):

- No update

North Monroe Business District: (Anne Luttrull)

- No update

Corbin Senior Activity Center: (Tim Musser)

- no update

Community Assembly: (Eileen Kazura)

- The CA approved that the BSN will manage all community and neighborhood awards. They are considering, in addition to awards to individuals awards, organization awards. The CA has authorized purchase of additional supplies that all neighborhoods have access to-such as movie screen and, popcorn machines). The public safety committee has spent several meetings discussing graffiti. Most recently there was a representative from the SRHD discussing walk audits. If you have a place in your micro-neighborhood that is in need of sidewalk renovations, the SRHD is taking nominations for places where they will perform walk audits. They will use this information to attempt to get funding for repairs. The form will be sent out with Minutes.

C.O.P.S.: (Gee Sutherlin)

- Spokane Fire Dept is giving out free smoke detectors and they will install them.

West Central Community Center: (Heath Kays)

- No update

Way Out Center: (Gerriann Armstrong)

- Things continue to go well at the Center. The residents are looking for opportunities to get involved. Gerriann will try to get volunteers for the cleanup event.

Treasurer: (Gene Brake)

- Balance \$1,375.68

Transitions: (Sarah Lickfold):

- No update

WQTIF: (E.J. Iannelli)

- They received a budget performance report which indicates that it is performing well. E.J. will ask Kevin Freibott from City Planning to come to present at a future meeting.

Emerson Garfield Farmers Market: (Anne Luttrell)

- The poster is complete. Market tokens will be handed out. Vendors are continuing to sign up. The first market is June 7.

The meeting was adjourned at **7:46 PM**