



Emerson-Garfield Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Meeting Started: 6:00 PM

Voting Members Present: 24

Guests Present: 7

Minutes:

Motion to Approve Minutes as Changed: Karl Boldt

Seconded to Approve Minutes: Timothy Diko

Minutes approved unanimously. Approved with changes

Agenda:

Guest Speaker:

Jeff Stevens Spokane Neighborhood Leadership Academy (SNLA).

- A 6-month course, open to people who want to become more active in their neighborhood council and who are potentially considering a leadership role within the council. This class is once a month for six months, starting in January and running through June, and takes place on Saturday from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM.
- Criteria to join program include less than 1-2 years of experience attending neighborhood council meetings.
- Information session next Monday, November 14, at 6PM at the Northeast Community Center.

STA Presentation for Division Street BRT Project:

- Brandon, representing the STA BRT Project presented the program.
 - Highlights of the program include modifying the buses themselves, as well as increasing routes along the North Division corridor from every 15 minutes to ever 10 minutes, during peak hours. Capital improvements are in the planning phase to accommodate the new buses. Planned construction is estimated to be 2025.

- The project also includes a reduction of one lane on Division and one lane on Ruby south of North Foothills. One lane of each of the streets will also transition to Business Access and Transit (BAT) lanes. Additional discussion included addition of bike lanes along this corridor.

Discussion Items:

Chair's Report (E.J. Ianelli):

- Gina Campbell asked in the October meeting if there was any interest in having a crime prevention workshop. Gina was able to get that scheduled. The Neighborhood Safety Crime Prevention, hosted by COPS on Knox will be held Wednesday, November 16, from 5:30-6:30PM.

Action Items:

December Potluck: Winter Potluck will be held on Wednesday, December 14. Arrive at 5:00PM to set up, participate in the potluck. The meeting be at 6:00PM.

Reports:

Spokane City Council (Zach Zappone):

- Redistricting was completed. It does not affect the Emerson Garfield neighborhood. Council chose to go with the map that reenforces neighborhood boundaries.
- Bringing up an ordinance to the Urban Experience Committee that caps 3rd Party Delivery Fees at 15% maximum (Uber Eats, GrubHub, Door Dash).
- Another thing being brought up next week at the Urban Experience Committee is a package for Renter Protection and landlord reform.

ONS (Gabby Ryan): not present

Clean Up Program (Karl Boldt):

- Faith Bible Church has confirmed May 20 for the cleanup day. Still awaiting hearing back from the Department of Corrections.
- Notified the day after our last meeting from the city that free dump passes are done for the year.

Emerson-Garfield Farmers Market (Anne Luttrull):

- Volunteer for music program.
- SNAP Market Match Program renewed through 2023.
- Farmers Market Nutrition Program is renewed instead of vendors getting checks. Payments go directly to the vendor.

Building Stronger Neighborhoods (Anne Luttrull):

- CA Retreat went well and about half of the Neighborhood Council's were represented. CA Handbook has been updated.

Land Use (Bill Heaton proxy: Judy Heaton):

- Last meeting was completely administrative so there is nothing to report.

Pedestrian, Traffic, and Transportation (Carlie Hoffman):

North Monroe Business District (Anne Luttrull):

- Focus on getting Small Business Saturday, November 26. Several businesses on Monroe will be having activities.

Corbin Senior Activity Center (Claudia Ouwerkerk):

- Building security is being addressed as well as clean up and painting projects.
- Received several grants.
- Friendsgiving-with live music. Tickets are \$25.

Community Assembly (Eileen Kazura):

- Last meeting was mostly discussing CA Retreat. They are focusing on Governance structure to continue to move things forward. Discussion of hybrid type meetings. Council President Beggs was there and discussed an interest putting together a one-year group of individuals to refresh the ONS, CA and Community Council relationship. He shared work around upcoming legislative session which included a focus on finding funding to support a land purchase for the American Indian Community Center. He mentioned expanding the use of speed camera to more locations. There is funding for approximately 20 more. Please bring ideas of potential locations for the December meeting. This will ensure time to discuss, vote on recommendations and submit them for timely consideration.

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

- There was an incident of 100 tires slashed recently. The victims worked together to file a police report. Reminder not to leave valuables in your vehicle.

West Central Community Center (Heath Kays):

- Wrap up of Building Dreams. Winterfest is coming up. Currently a Coats for Kids drive going on.

Way Out Center (Gerriann Armstrong):

- Center is completely full. Celebrate Recovery is still happening every Thursday at 5:30PM. There is a volunteer opportunity to assist on Thanksgiving which will be served from 11:00AM-1:00PM. To inquire about volunteer opportunities, call 509-325-6801-ask for Caitlin.

Treasurer (Gene Brake): \$824.25 bank balance (unchanged from last month).

Transitions (Sarah Lickfold):

WQTIF:

- Second meeting just cancelled. EJ is going to look into the second meeting cancelation.

The meeting was **adjourned at 7:28 pm.**