

Evergreen Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting by Zoom
August 26, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Board members present: Tom Newton, Dave Pinch, Diane Grover, Diana Boom, Mike Pridemore, Dave Hawley, Heidi Adler

Board members absent: Marilyn Pridemore, Kim Lowe, Elisha Joyce

Guests: Wiley & Beth Campbell, Cheri Newton, Louise Mengelkoch

Tom opened the zoom meeting at 7:00. Board members and guests introduced themselves.

A. Monthly Reports

1. Treasurer's Report. Dave Pinch said the ENA bank balance as of July 31 is \$2,046.95. The account is with Home Street Bank in the name of ENA. Dave has check-signing authority. He'll check to see who else has authority. We should have at least 2 people. ENA's last donation to Our Lady of the Lake was \$150 in March 2019. Diana made a motion to donate \$150 to OLL if we continue to meet there when public meetings resume. Vote in favor was unanimous. Dave will send check to Diana, who will compose a letter to OLL and mail it.

2. Approval of Minutes of Nov. 6, 2019 board meeting. Motion by Dave Pinch approved on unanimous vote.

3. Mayor/ Chairs meeting. Temporary suspension due to Covid-19. [UPDATE: The city scheduled a meeting on October 10 by zoom or webex. The agenda will include how to conduct annual neighborhood association meetings during Covid.]

4. Tree Committee. Mike reported on recent tree applications. ENA's appeal of the city's approval to cut 2 large trees on 9th Street was approved by the DRC, thus denying the application. The applicant can appeal the DRC's decision to city council.

5. Pre-app meetings. Diana said Eric Jones is ENA's rep for pre-app meetings. The last meeting was months ago.

6. Hospitality. Mike reported for Marilyn who is in the hospital. He and Marilyn track home sales in Evergreen, but have not been able to deliver welcome packets to new homeowners due to Covid. Many home sales have been tear downs or remodels, so it's difficult to contact the new owners - most homes are unoccupied due to construction. Mike & Marilyn are moving and they will pass on all the information before they move. We need another hospitality person.

7. Real Estate report. Tom's report includes all listings, pending sales and sold properties in Evergreen. He sent a link to his report. The market is active, probably due in part to low interest rates.

8. Correspondence. Diana said all correspondence has been by email. She forwards info to the board members when she receives it.

B. Old Business / Land Use Projects / Updates

1. North Anchor - The developer held a meeting this week to update the community and get feedback.

2. Civic Center - Bill Gordon said he will follow Evergreen Park restoration work.

3. Traffic / Safe streets - Tom & Wiley Campbell discussed problem areas: * 10th/ Evergreen &

6th & Evergreen intersections where hedges block views for cars, bike, and pedestrians. In the past, ENA has asked the city to address the problem, but did not receive a response. Tom submitted a NTMP (Neighborhood Traffic Mgmt Program) project application on May 30 to get the hedges trimmed to the 10' minimum visibility triangle required for driveways. Tom said hedges were trimmed, but not sufficiently. Wiley will follow up. * 6th St/ Ellis speeding - Wiley

* Next steps? talk to city council/mayor? We'll follow up at the next board meeting.

4. December Holiday Party Report - Diane Grover. Last year's party was the most successful ever - both in attendance and donations. [See discussion in new business.]

C. New Business

1. Co-Housing proposal by City - Diane has nothing yet to report. Carole Ockert (FAN/FH) wants to organize the NAs as a way to respond to and advocate for NAs with the city. The group might be called the NAA - Neighborhood Assn. Assembly.

2. Holiday Party this year? Apply for Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) grant for party funds? Due to Covid, we may have to postpone the party this year. Diane said businesses have been very helpful in the past, but are hurting now and it wouldn't be fair to ask them to donate for our raffle. Tom suggested an "End of Pandemic" party we can hold when the city opens up. We could hand out list of local businesses to remind people they need our support. The city has not yet opened up the application process for NEP grants. Diana will follow up with the city.

3. Current board / officers: Diana will resign as secretary; Dave Pinch as treasurer. Those positions will be filled at the annual meeting/ election of officers. Dave Hawley agreed to serve as treasurer. Nino resigned from the board in March. Mike & Marilyn are moving in the next few weeks. Diana will follow up with Cindy Knowles to serve on the board and to continue her work with the tree committee. Wiley Campbell was asked and agreed to join the board. On a motion by Tom, second by Dave Pinch, Wiley was unanimously elected to the board. Thank you Wiley. Tom asked Louise Mengelkoch if she was interested. She will get back to Tom regarding her involvement with ENA as a board member or in another way.

4. Board roles and responsibilities - Tom, Diane and Diana met to discuss. We'll probably divide up the secretary duties.

5. ENA annual meeting

* Date and time? Wed, Oct 14 at 7pm. Tom, Diane and Diana will coordinate how the meeting and election will be held.

* Select nominating committee for a slate of officers and board members? Diana will contact board members and see who's interested in staying on the board. * Agenda?

- Election of board members and officers
- Time for each mayor and council candidate to speak
- New board to set future board meeting schedule

6.. ENA Website - Tom said ENA has a google website. It's old technology, cumbersome in the way it's structured. Google is discontinuing service to this format and asking people to change to the new format . Tom has a background in this and has looked at other NAs. Since we have to change, Tom is willing to redo our website. The cost would be about \$500 for a consultant to build a new site; Tom can do the work to move our content to a new site. The ongoing cost is about \$12/month. This would be an easier-to-navigate and user-friendly site. We discussed the proposal to spend \$600 on the new site. Tom said he would investigate the new Google format, which is free. Diane suggested that we could apply for a city NEP grant to fund all or a portion of the cost for a new site.

D. Announcements / Other - None.

Minutes submitted by Approved: _____ Diana Boom, secretary