



NEHA MONTHLY MEETING NOTES  
March 26th, 2024

**1. Welcome**

**2. Attendance**

- a. Present
  - i. Erik Hagen
  - ii. Autumn Street
  
- b. Absent
  - i. Ryndy Williams
  - ii. Don Plum
  - iii. Louis Comstock
  - iv. Brittany Kemp

**3. Guest Speaker: Leslie Scantling – Flock Cancer Stroll & Fundraiser**

- a. Homegrown annual fundraiser started by a Harrison resident takes place in May each year on the Sunday before Mother's Day
- b. Going into their 4<sup>th</sup> year, the event has been doubling in size and fundraising efforts each year.
- c. Filled a gap left by the exit of the Komen Breast Cancer Walk
- d. Raises money to support local breast cancer survivors, programs & support groups and is a registered 501c3

**4. Guest Speaker: Seth Jarsky from ACHD and Evan Reed from Kittleson & Associates – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Projects**

- a. Kittleson & Associates is the designer on the project, currently in the Conceptual Design Phase.
- b. Presenting as an intro to the projects, to relay info and collect feedback for the next stages. Working for full neighborhood collaboration.
- c. Primary project goals: manage speeds, Improve safety & accessibility for pedestrians, Improve Roadway Surface, and Minimize impacts to private property, large trees, and on-street parking.
  - i. Bulb-Outs (throughout, main mitigation tool).
  - ii. RRFB's.
  - iii. Raised Intersections & crosswalks
  - iv. Considering Traffic circles (at strategic locations).
  - v. Midblock options: Speed bump tables, Radar speed signs

- d. April & Cynthia raised concerns regarding the project scope not extending all the way up 8<sup>th</sup> past Lemp to Sandstone as their neighborhood canvassing included that as a major area of concern. Seth will look into why the 3 blocks north were not included. Adding them now might derail the current project
- e. 30% design to be complete by June 2024; first round of public engagement to begin in August 2024. 75% in spring 2025. Construction not until 2028/2029.
- f. More information can be found at <https://www.kivity.com/north-end/achd-in-early-phases-of-improvements-to-8th-and-9th-street>

## **5. Hyde Park Street Fair**

- a. 163 application fees paid, 130 applications submitted.
- b. Application review is underway; some updates to application are needed.
- c. Stage lineup is in beginning stages of consideration.
- d. Sarah Christianson, long-time vendor, attended to provide feedback re: booth locations, adjacencies, vendor parking. HPSF chairs will follow up.
- e. Jo presented anticipated expense increases we would incur if we started accepting credit card payments in the beer/wine tent. Extra cost for 5 credit card stations (5 extra servers, credit card machine rental, card service fees, etc) would be about \$3,600. Cost/benefit to be considered by board & HPSF chairs.

## **6. Financial Update**

- a. Total Assets: \$109,866.52
- b. Down ~3k due to a grant paid out and a P&Z appeal filed for the Diocese project at 8<sup>th</sup> & Fort.

## **7. Historic Preservation**

- a. Booth Block project application to demolish the chapel at 24<sup>th</sup> & Bella, which was previously slated to be preserved. Developer proposal includes a new construction duplex facing Bella.
- b. Meeting with East End Neighborhood Association representatives to gather concerns regarding the City not adhering to historic code and inconsistent application of code. Concerns to be brought to Historic Preservation office and PDS.

## **8. Planning & Zoning**

- a. CVA Hearing Examiner 3/27 for 2nd floor addition over existing footprint 2' into the side yard setback
- b. New code requires basement window wells to not extend into the setback, where the old code allowed basement window wells to extend into the setback, which could narrow a basement by 7 feet, which could encourage 2nd stories over basement builds which can be preferable on some lots on some blocks.

- c. Appeal filed for the Diocese Office and Event Center project at 8th & Fort Streets. new code porches are Habitable spaces now. Also, 1.5 story no more. Now partial story. Found in definitions.
- d. Appeal will be heard at City Council on Tuesday, April 16th at 6 pm at City Hall

#### **9. Communications**

- a. Autumn ordered NENA note cards and letterhead paper.
- b. Autumn posted online asking for board & volunteer help, and approximately 15 people expressed interest. All were invited to attend tonight's meeting, and some did attend. Everyone will receive a follow-up email.

#### **10. Newsletter:**

- a. Not progressing until we can get some help. Volunteers needed.
- b. In lieu of getting a newsletter out, Erik will continue to send email updates. Trying for Quarterly email update covering important item updates. Not weekly.

#### **11. Neighborhood Association Collaborative Visioning**

- a. After the Zoning Code went into effect, limited participation for the NA's. So, the monthly meetings have been cancelled.
- b. Email updates between NA's will continue. Share any NA concerns with the Board and we will share with the NA's

#### **12. Mobility Summit**

- a. Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> in Hyde Park
- b. Will have a number of organizations and businesses involved for a full mix of booths, presentations and activities
- c. Planning to close 13<sup>th</sup> between Eastman and Brumback

#### **13. Garden Tour**

- a. Need an event planning chair
- b. Need gardens/yards to feature
- c. Possible early June tour date, would need garden commitments by late March/early April

#### **14. Open Floor Discussion**

- a. Volunteers needed. Events are fundraisers. Without volunteers to drive things, we can't make the events happen. No events, means less funds for grants.
- b. Neighborhood parking issues, specifically during HPSF. Need to research how to better get vendors to park in the vendor lot and use the provided transportation.

#### **15. Meeting Adjourned**