



NENA MONTHLY MEETING NOTES  
June 25th, 2024

**1. Welcome**

**2. Attendance**

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

**3. Hyde Park Street Fair**

- a. Issues with some vendors having not completed the application have been resolved and all vendors have been notified of their acceptance status.
- b. Duplicate app fees will be refunded and vendor invoices will go out on Sunday.
- c. Main Stage entertainment is all booked.
- d. Artwork due by end of July for poster and advertising purposes.
- e. Sponsors are still welcome.
- f. Parking at HealthWise location is undetermined due to change in occupancy at that site.
- g. Card payments for beer/wine will be available (previously cash only) will be taken in the NENA booth, where volunteers can accept card payment in exchange for beer/wine tokens that can be used at the beer/wine tents. All standard payment options previously available in the tents will still be accepted (i.e. cash, with ATM machines available on-site).

**4. Pride Flags on Harrison – Guest: Jimmy Hallyburton, Boise City Council**

- a. Ongoing theft/vandalism issues with flags on Harrison Boulevard.
- b. Flags are being repaired, when possible, and re-hung whenever possible.
- c. Neighbor volunteers made dozens of new flag poles so they are on hand.
- d. Update from Jimmy:
  - i. Thanks to neighbors and volunteers who help replace flags as needed.

- ii. Current tally of damage is more than 1k, including damage to flags, flag poles, and the pole mounting hardware on the light posts.
  - iii. Increase to police presence, with an emphasis on weekend nights.
  - iv. Charges expected to at least one party be the end of next week.
  - v. City will be more proactive moving forward and increase coordination w/BPD.
  - vi. Parks & Rec recommends using zip ties instead of nuts & bolts.
  - vii. Micron has offered to cover all costs of flags and poles and as many replacements are needed.
- e. Guest states that he has personally donated to the crowdfunding effort and knows many others who have, but also know that individuals are funding flags and poles directly and not via the crowdfunding, so there are questions about where that raised money is going and what is being done with it.
  - f. ASK: Please report all theft/damage to BPD of pride flags whether that be on public property (i.e. Harrison Boulevard median) or private property.

**5. Board Vote: Nomination of Sandy Herman and Cynthia Gibson to the Board**

- a. Motion: Erik
- b. Second: Autumn
- c. Approved unanimously

**6. Garden Tour Recap**

- a. Suggestion to move tour a little earlier than this year (11-3 instead of 12-4).
- b. Ideal amount of gardens to feature is 7-8. More takes too long and is visually exhausting for attendees.
- c. Tour was an overall success; more than \$2,500 in funds were raised and all feedback received thus far has been positive.

**7. Chalk & Chat Night**

- a. Possible coordination with National Night Out, which is August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- b. More details TBD.

**8. Streets**

- a. NENA sent two letters this month to ACHD:
  - i. First letter is regarding NENA's support of option B1 for changes to State Street from 8<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Second letter is regarding the change of one-way streets to two-way streets in the North End including 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> Streets. NENA and the City of Boise support these changes.
- b. ACHD Commissioner Miranda Gold got No Parking signs at 6th and Union to keep cars from parking so close to the intersection that pedestrians were not clearly visible until they stepped out. Code is no parking within 30 feet of a stop and 20 feet of a crosswalk. But no further traffic calming measures are added at this time.

## **9. Historic Committee**

- a. Coffee Shop and upstairs 4-plex at 13<sup>th</sup> Street & Heron across from Camel's Back Park was unanimously approved by HPC.
- b. Handful of other projects were approved, denied, or asked to come back next month with changes.

## **10. Planning & Zoning**

- a. Diocese project is potentially undergoing changes. Diocese reps agreed to talk about what it would take to gain NENA's support and met with Erik and Sandy to discuss. This outreach was appreciated and is something NENA has been asking for from the beginning, to little response.

## **11. NENA Email**

- a. NENA receives a lot of email, and to ensure that things are responded to and information being provided is correct, please reply all.
- b. Erik & Autumn will continue to respond to the majority of email, unless the incoming email is topic-specific such as Streets, Garden Tour, etc.

## **12. Motion to Adjourn**

- a. Motion: Autumn
- b. Second: Scott
- c. Unanimously Approved