

NENA MONTHLY MEETING NOTES January 30, 2024

1. Welcome

2. Attendance

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

3. Guest Speaker: Marcee Clark - Children's Entrepreneurial Market

- a. Farmer's market run entirely by kids
- b. Market that helps children be entrepreneurial in an accessible way
- c. Develops self-esteem, confidence, and independence
- d. Kids ages 5-17 can participate
- e. Markets have a minimum of 50 booths and as many as 100+
- f. Looking for venues, partnerships and connections; hoping it might be a good fit for Hyde Park Street Fair but due to space limitations will not be. Board provided several community partners for her to connect with

4. Guest Speaker: Diane Ronayne - NeighborWorks Boise Homeshare Hub

- a. Program helps homeseekers and sharers define values and needs
- b. Online matching system
- c. Partners with Jesse Tree
- d. Landlord education provided for first-time landlords/homesharers
- e. More info available from the National Shared Housing Resource Center
- f. Homesharing can be beneficial for individuals and/or families
- g. NeighborWorks is essentially free to use for homeseekers and sharers

5. Hyde Park Street Fair

a. Costs for 2024 are expected to be 10K+ higher than 2023, mostly because of the new requirement for EMS services on site, additional fencing & cordoning

- b. There may be structural engineer in the neighborhood who could volunteer time for any required stage checks
- c. Application fee increase from \$40 to \$50
- d. Applications are moving to an online format (vs paper as previous)
- e. Research is ongoing with possibility of accepting cards at the beer tent
 - i. Jo to meet with HPSF Committee
 - ii. Update will be provided in February or March
- f. Carl will share stage/entertainment lists with the board prior to finalization

6. Budget

- a. No reports from Chelle to review for previous month
- b. Annual budget line item review for proposed 2024
 - i. \$224,500 in expected revenue
 - ii. \$206,592 in expected expenses
- c. Proposed budget results in a positive balance of \$17,908
- d. Motion to approve: Autumn
 - i. Second: Britt
 - ii. Approved unanimously

7. Past Minutes

- a. Minutes for August, September, October, and November
- b. Motion to approve: Britt
 - i. Second: Lex
 - ii. Approved unanimously

8. Historic Preservation and Planning & Zoning

- a. Vinyl window appeal to city council was denied
 - i. Vinyl windows are not allowed in the historic district
- b. Catholic Diocese project at 8th & Fort was approved with a stipulation for a height of 45 feet (reduced from more than 60 feet)
 - i. P&Z Hearing is scheduled for Monday
- c. Lost Grove expansion is expanded in scope to extend to the sidewalk and enlarge the indoor seating space. They are applying for a variance to accommodate the change.

9. Grants - Incoming

- a. Available grants from the City are ACT (up to 2k) and NIP (up to 100K)
- b. Possibility to apply for NIP grant to help fund an historic re-survey. NIP grant deadline for 2024 is tomorrow, so any application would be for next year
- c. Other projects up for grant application consideration may include Hyde Park street recycling and trash service, Historic Pools

10. Streets

a. Director Wong is retiring at ACHD in May

- i. National search to be conducted for his replacement
- b. 9th Street traffic calming is in discussion at ACHD
- c. 8th Street traffic calming is on the 5 year plan at ACHD
- d. Comments on the 5-year workplan are being solicited until 2/9

11. Grants – Outgoing

- a. O'Thatchell Alley request for \$488.22 for alley improvements including plantings
 i. Unanimously approved
- b. Black History Month Flags for Harrison Boulevard
 - i. Motion to approve: Louis
 - 1. Second: Brittni
 - 2. Motion fails; various concerns. One abstention.

12. 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

13. Mobility Summit

- a. Planning underway
- b. Lex will continue volunteering despite moving out of the North End and no longer qualifying for a seat on the NENA board. (*Huge thanks to Lex for all her hard work during her time on the board. The North End will miss you!*)

14. Newsletter

- a. Relaunch requires substantial work both initially and ongoing
- b. Proposed first year return with 2 issues, possibly starting in spring 2024.
- c. Current board membership does not support this workload and Autumn is working to recruit new directors and non-director volunteers.

15. Meeting Adjourned