



NENA MEETING MINUTES
October 28th, 2025

1. Welcome – President Erik Hagen

- a. Recap of 2025 NENA activities
 - i. Hyde Park Street Fair, new coordination team coming next year due to retirements – building off the success of previous years
 - ii. Garden Tour Fundraiser in June was a huge success
 - iii. Holiday Home Tour scheduled for December – still need a few more homes to pull this one off!
 - iv. The North End Newsletter is back!
 - v. The Inaugural National Night Out at Elm Grove Park was a smashing success – more than 700 neighbors attended
 - vi. Farewell and thank you to Erik – this is his final Annual Meeting as President. THANK YOU for all you've done to help build NENA up over the past few years.

2. Attendance

- a. Present
 - i. Erik Hagen
 - ii. Autumn Street
 - iii. Scott Graves
 - iv. Sandy Herman
 - v. Travis Champion
 - vi. Garrett Lamm
 - vii. Cynthia Gibson
 - viii. Dominique Naegele-Clifford
 - ix. Kari Forney
 - x. Chris Wagener
- b. Absent
 - i. Donna Llewellyn
 - ii. Student Honorary Board Member: Ella

3. Election Day

- a. Open Space/Clean Water Levy
- b. District 6 City Council Seat
- c. Get out and vote!

4. Holiday Home Tour

- a. Currently have three homes confirmed, with another 1-2 still deciding
- b. Reach out to Kate if you are interested or have any questions about participation
- c. Homes need to be confirmed ASAP in order to get all event pieces completed and ready by the tour date December 13th 12-4pm

5. Halloween on Harrison

- a. Harrison will be closed by ACHD from 3-10pm from Hays to Hill.
- b. NENA sponsored porta-potties will be in place with 2 on the north end of Harrison and 2 on the south end.

6. Historic Committee

- a. Historic resurvey is trucking along and nearing completion for 2025, with additional phases to occur starting in 2026
- b. Several applications coming through HPC that the committee is monitoring
- c. Booth Block development; one new project failed to get a single neighbor attendee. PLEASE contact HPC and the City with comments and/or concerns.

7. Streets Committee

- a. 8th and 9th street traffic calming has been in the works for years; a project plan is underway but likely will not begin until funding is identified at some point in the future.
- b. Three projects need to be identified for grant funds from the city. Grant can be up to 250k, so this is a big opportunity.

8. Newsletter Committee

- a. Winter Edition coming out the first week of December

9. Hyde Park Street Fair

- a. Most successful fair yet! Income looks to be nearly double what it was in recent years.
- b. Former long-time event coordination team has retired. RFPs will be released this week to begin the process of identifying a new coordinator.
- c. Motion to release the RFP
 - i. Passed Unanimously

10. Board Election

- a. Five seats will be up for vote tonight.
- b. Candidates:
 - i. Kari Forney, incumbent with 1 year experience on the board, serves as Harrison liason
 - ii. Scott Graves, incumbent, 1 year experience on the board, serves as Hyde Park business liason as a Hyde Park business owner, also serves as Treasurer and has worked hard to get our processes streamlines and ensure NENA money is working for NENA as hard as it can.

- iii. Cynthia Gibson, incumbent, 1.5 years experience on the board, serves as Street Safety Committee Chair and advocates for shared street spaces and improved safety for walkers and bikers, has lived in the North End for 35+ years, works in the statehouse and relays important information to the neighborhood about bills in progress to be aware of
- iv. Neysa Jensen – current North End Newsletter Editor, 30+ year North End resident, loves the vibrancy of the neighborhood and hopes to strengthen community with newsletter content
- v. Danielle Cheatle – 4th generation North Ender, North End business owner, dedicated to building and preserving the welcoming nature of the North End community

11. TRICA – Erik Hagen

- a. Children’s Arts institute on 14th & Eastman.
- b. Looking for ways to partner with NENA and the neighborhood.
- c. Coming soon: Community Bingo nights!
- d. Holiday Snow Globe Event coincides with the Holiday Home Tour; possibilities for partnership to have a joint ticket for the Holiday Home Tour and Snow Globe event.

12. Holiday Home Tour – Kate/Sandy

- a. 2 confirmed homes so far
- b. Need 4-6 more homes to make a tour. Please talk to your neighbors and help us nominate homes!

13. Treasurer’s Report – Scott Graves

- a. Total Income from HPSF: 125k, profit is about 35k, expenses were 87k
- b. Profits up compared to this time last year

14. Newsletter Committee – Garrett Lamm

- a. Approved for an ACT grant from the City. Nice work, Garrett!
- b. New advertisers: Lost Grove, AI Business, Shuz Idaho, Goody’s
- c. Additional advertisers in the pipeline
- d. Content is assigned and in the works for Winter edition
- e. Newsie roster is full, complete with 2 subs! Thank you, Donna!

15. Street Safety Committee

- a. 2 surveys open for public comment on ACHD’s website:
 - i. 15th & 16th
 - ii. 8th & 9th

16. Motion to Adjourn

- a. Motion passed