



NENA MONTHLY MEETING NOTES  
November 26, 2019

**1) Welcome – President Mark Baltes**

**2) Roll Call – Autumn Street, Secretary**

- a) Present
  - i) Mark Baltes
  - ii) Autumn Street
  - iii) Julie Varin
  - iv) Steve Chaffin
  - v) Gary Roeder
  - vi) John Llewellyn
- b) Absent
  - i) James Jones
  - ii) Anne Hausrath
  - iii) Chris Wagener
  - iv) Tory Spengler
  - v) Courtney Brumbach

**3) Gruntwerks Final Report – Hyde Park Street Fair**

- a) Most successful in beer sales ever, but also the most expensive to put on
  - i) Security costs were higher
    - (1) Goal for 2020 is to cut back on number of hours that all gates have to be manned.
  - ii) Necessary reduction in vendors
    - (1) Possibly increase number of vendors in 2020
    - (2) Work on a topographical map to assist in adding more vendors
  - iii) Restroom costs were higher
- b) Consider renting pop-up canopies in 2020 if the weather is as hot as 2019
- c) Price raise for beer under consideration
  - i) Looking at silicone cups instead of stainless
  - ii) Consider Health Code issues with reusable cups

**4) North End Gateway Enhancement Project – Julia Grant**

- a) Southwest gateway to NE neighborhood – 28<sup>th</sup> & State Street needs to be beautified.
  - i) 55,000 car trips pass that corner daily (up from 38k a few years ago)
  - ii) Opportunity for enhancements in the right of way
    - (1) Discussions with City to revamp sidewalk
    - (2) Could tap into St. Mary's irrigation

- (3) Replace chain link fence with wrought iron
- (4) Expand into 28<sup>th</sup> Street
  - (a) Sidewalk in need of repair, goathead hazards
- (5) St. Mary's
  - (a) Cash match
  - (b) Irrigation and in-kind long-term maintenance
  - (c) Letter
- (6) NENA match in funding
- (7) City plans rapid transit bus line on State; city would prefer a more pedestrian-friendly corner for a bus stop
- (8) Not creating something obsolete, ensure plans are in line with new zoning
- (9) Possibility of two Class 3 trees
- iii) Motion to endorse the NE Gateway Enhancement Project
  - (1) Motion passed

#### 5) 5G – Cathy Cooke

- a) Cathy submitted an article to the NENA Newsletter regarding 5G impacts
- b) Mark suggests due diligence on claims
  - i) Concern of visual impact of additional antenna
  - ii) Potential health impacts
  - iii) Impact to tree canopy
- c) Request for Ordinance requiring antenna to be set back a certain distance from homes
- d) Currently ACHD agreement in place to place 4G and 5G on light/utility poles
- e) Discussion to put on alley grid and Idaho Power poles
- f) No local organization can talk about health impacts but can talk about property values or aesthetic or historic preservation impacts.
- g) Mark reports that City Hall told him it would be 5 years before 5G is widely rolled out in neighborhoods.
  - i) Public Comment opportunity when presented with Master Plan
  - ii) Put towers up in 2017 with public engagement

#### 6) TRICA – Jon Swarthout, Founder

- a) Meth vs Meth(odist): currently in the process of restoring 1907 Church, remediating prior drug presence and repairing extensive structural issues
- b) TRICA is a 5013c non-profit. Current dollars spent on restoration are over 7 million with remaining work to complete. 1.6 million dollars needed to gain occupancy.
- c) Founded on principle that arts should be part of every child's educational experience.
- d) Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation will fund large portion of the remaining balance if TRICA can meet a set fundraising goal by 2/1/20.
- e) Ask that NENA donate 10k to cover the outstanding bill for all handrails and safety railings, and write a letter of support for TRICA to show commitment to the project and dollar donation.
  - i) Donation can be made incrementally over months or years if needed and still count toward goal for LMC Foundation.
- f) Motion to support donation

- i) Motion passed

**7) Streets Committee – Gary Roeder**

- a) Submitting the top 3 priorities for the neighborhood
- b) Motion to support priorities
  - i) Motion passed

**8) Treasurer’s Report – Mark Baltes**

- a) Checking                      \$53,683.99
- b) Savings                        \$121,393.18
- c) Total Assets                 \$175,077.17

**9) New Business**

- a) Motion to support the NWNA appeal effort with a \$2500 donation
  - i) Motion passed unanimously
- b) Consideration that NENA Bylaws are in need of update/review
  - i) Brian Urtz, attorney, suggested as a resource
  - ii) Mark will invite Mark to the January Meeting
- c) Motion to join Boise Chamber of Commerce
  - i) Annual membership is \$200, John to attend meetings and report back
    - (1) Motion passed unanimously
- d) Election of officers moved to January due to attendance

**10) Meeting Adjourned**