



**NENA MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 27, 2020**  
**ZOOM Virtual Meeting**

1. Role Call
  - a. Present; Mark, Chris, Autumn, Jonesy, Anne, Tory, Gary, Marcia, Courtney, Julie, John
  - b. Absent: None
2. Approval of April 2020 Minutes
  - a. Motion to approve.
    - i. Approved
3. Gary's Goodbyes
  - a. Last month as a board member; resigning due to move outside of NA boundaries
  - b. Thank you for your service on the board, Gary!
4. Vacant Board Seat
  - a. Mark nominates current Historic Preservation Liaison Sherry Battazzo
    - i. Approved. Welcome to the board, Sherry!
5. FINE Grant Request - SNOW Block Alley
  - a. Slightly North Of Washington alley, first started with a NENA FINE Grant 5 years ago, with the help of other sponsors
  - b. Would like to further improve the alley with a mural on the side of a garage. Design in the works. \$500 grant would go toward covering the supplies for the mural. Balance would be primarily covered by donations of time.
  - c. Mural application may be required by the city. NENA will support the application.
  - d. Motion to approve.
    - i. Approved
6. NENA Aid Program
  - a. Collected \$6k+ net in donations (direct, GoFundMe, and Board donations)
  - b. Reached out to recipients of previous funds to assess current needs.
  - c. Motion to donate an additional \$1500 each (\$6k total) to: FACES of Hope, Life's Kitchen, Interfaith Sanctuary, and City Lights Shelter
    - i. Approved
7. Booth Block
  - a. George Cooper (developer) states he has lost his funding, and bonds due from the city are holding up the project. Has received an offer to buy the property.
  - b. George will arrange a meeting for NENA with the buyer if the sale proceeds.

8. Garden Tour

- a. Volunteer Diana Parker has taken the planning lead.
- b. Tour will be in walk-by format for the last two weeks in June.
- c. Roster of gardens is filling out and growing.
- d. Recipient(s) of funds raised is TBD.

9. Treasurer's Report

- a. Income           \$3,517.00
- b. Expenses       \$10,072.28
- c. Net Income     \$6,555.28
- d. Checking       \$6,603.66
- e. Savings        \$134,566.26
- f. Total Assets   \$141,169.92

10. HPSF Update

- a. Boise city had a meeting regarding events in relation to the pandemic and we expect to get more information soon. Planning cannot be finalized without more info from the city.
- b. Applications received: 140+
- c. Application Deadline extended to June 1
  - i. Info about extension and application fee refunds in the case of cancellation to be posted to social media.
- d. John will email the board with any updates from Carl or the city.

11. Streets Committee

- a. ACHD lowered speed limits on 15th Street & Harrison Boulevard
- b. Board members: Please write Mary May and ACHD to thank them and ask for matching reductions on Fort & Hays.
- c. Mark will be talking to an ACHD rep regarding traffic calming.
- d. Mark & Anne have a meeting with Harrison & 15th Street residents scheduled.

12. Block 75

- a. No activity and nothing new to report at this time.

13. Neighborhood Plan

- a. Chapter sections currently under review.
- b. A new survey is coming out in the next week or two. A postcard will be mailed to each neighbor. Social media and sandwich boards will promote the survey.

14. New Business

- a. Autumn would like to recognize Elm Grove Park's 100 year birthday this year. Board agrees. Mark & Autumn to reach out to Parks Dept.
- b. Anne would like to encourage the enlargement of the native plant preserve on 7th by ACHD giving a small parcel of land to Boise City. A petition will be published to social media and website to gather community support. Goal of 500 signatures.

15. Meeting Adjourned