

## **Minutes**

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

Netherwood Park Neighborhood Association

**Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 7:00 PM**

**Location: The grass, Netherwood Park**

**Meeting called to order** at 7:07 PM

Members Present: Susan, Tony, Herb, Spencer, Peter, Chuck, Bill (Minutes).

Guests: Valerie Hermanson (Pace Bike Share); Mary Ann Rozzell, James Strange from Kimo's Hawaiian BBQ

**1. Guest Presentation:** Valerie Hermanson, Program Manager, Pace Bike Share, talked to the board about the expanding city-wide effort to provide rental bikes and bike stations sponsored by the Rio Metro Regional Transit District. The program has a federal grant. In the first three weeks of operation, there were over 1000 trips by over 800 users in Albuquerque. Valerie is meeting with associations and business groups to introduce the program and take suggestions for new stations from which the public can rent bikes for \$1 per half hour. Board members suggested the Tennis Club; also an area near Whole Foods or perhaps near Padilla's on Girard. Valerie provided a map that showed, currently, the closest station is designated at Summit Park.

**2. Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the April 11, 2018 Board Meeting, sent this week by email to the Board, were approved by the Board at this meeting. Chuck moved to approve. Peter second. Unanimous approval

**3. Treasurer's Report (Sara):** The report was emailed by John Vittal to Board last week for review. Sara is out of town. Susan gave a summary. Herb mentioned that we really do not spend much money (members get a bargain!) Chuck motioned approve, Herb second. Unanimous approval. May balance, \$3,046.25.

### **Old Business**

4. **Safety report:** (Tony) The way that crime reports are presented has changed. More reports are showing up such as:

A. We have 20 disturbance of the peace reports as the most common. In the last reporting period we have had 1 burglary and 1 vehicular break in, 1 auto theft, and 1 robbery at park. Reports of shots fired on Morrow and another report on Cutler. There are descriptions of crimes on <http://nextdoor.com> of crime and although many are accurate, it is good to see that these reports are factual and detail crime activity that are documented by police reports.

B. Reporting App: The Ring app (<https://ring.com/>) is part of the Ring doorbell or Ring security light system that is popular. If they have this product, invite neighbors to participate in Ring social network and its cloud service to compare observations.

C. Offer of talk on Safety Tips by Richard Martinez (Susan). Richard Martinez does training on concealed weapons. Mr. Martinez offered to do a training for free for the neighborhood and preferred somewhere indoors (rather than out in the park). NPNA could promote this training

event during 4th of July event; set it up for later in July (or August) and count as a monthly Board meeting (early August); large enough place such as TCA for a crowd.

D. Email from Laura Kuehn, APD to answer Susan's question-think about a proposal to pay for police to live in the neighborhood. May be a good idea, but at the moment this is just for discussion.

5. APD Patrol, Program (Peter): More patrols? We have 4 hrs. to do and will go for it in June. Peter will make it happen.

6. Urban Forest: Parks and Rec responded to claim sprinklers were left running entire weekend. Bill observed that they were not on all weekend, but every morning for about 2 hours. Herb made a call for a P&R person to respond who did check the situation on Sunday. No sprinklers on at the time but maintenance was contacted. Tree trimmings obviously from Forest trees were found in the Cedar Apts' dumpster (Susan). Also, tree trimmings from the park should not end up in private apartment dumpsters in both trash and recycling. Put in newsletter "don't dump in private dumpsters."

7. Netherwood Park Bench: No update on park bench for the park – still no comment from the UNM north golf course (Chuck)

### New Business

8. Food Truck Wednesdays (Chuck) – going great! Ask vendors to keep music volume down to background level so neighbors can talk and get a sandwich! There were about 40 users at tonight's event.

9. Ad Team subcommittee Report: Susan mentioned that the signs developed by Angie Steward are put up on Wednesdays in medians at Princeton and Indian School. Susan showed the draft design for large banners to go on either side of the Netherwood Park wooden median sign on Indian School. Per the City, the banners can stay there during the whole food truck season. The Board chose bright yellow with black letters for max visibility. More discussion to come by the NPNA Ad Team of advertising on city sites and the *Journal*. Banner, signs look great – new banner 60 inches long by 18 inches high and attached by bungee cords.

10. Indian School Road Traffic Study (Carlisle to Broadway) - complete streets – no update but Herb will talk to Councilman Benton Tuesday to determine if this project is moving forward. "Street diet" or "calming" is what this process on the table is called.

11. Netherwood Park second bench (Chuck), No new information except that completion date is between mid-July to mid-October

12. NextDoor.com - Fred Christ post of April 30, re: racing around the park (Susan)

13. Block by Block lists - Block by block resident contact information: (Bill and Chuck) - Mary Ann Rozzell provided 15 pages (most are neighborhood blocks) towards compiling a NPNA master list. There were a number of other lists provided to Chuck and Bill to compile. More data are coming in that will be compiled this summer.

14. Nikle Farm to Table restaurant and Distillery (Alpine Sausage bldg.) a neighbor-generated appeal was denied regarding the City's approval of parking waiver filed by Nikle. Parking is granted to Nikle as originally proposed and approved. Parking is being negotiated and approved at TCA between Liz and Nicole. The word is that Nikle will be done and opened sometime between July – September.

15. 2504 Harold Pl., NE: NPNA member and realtor Angie Stewart contacted Dr. Mark Cito (son of Dentist Stephen Cito) with buyer for neglected property. He denied it was neglected and he turned down potential buyers or investors suggested by Angie. He claimed that he was making progress on renovation. He is not “almost done, “but seems to be making good progress.

16. Stephen Butler – non-profit business – called Susan and offered health fairs for community centers.

Next meeting June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM at Netherwood Neighborhood Park. Meeting emphasis will be preparation for July 4<sup>th</sup> meeting and writing of newsletter that will be going out to all 4000 neighbors.

**Adjourn:** Meeting ended at 8:15 PM

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