



Minutes:

Date & Time: Wednesday 9 August, 2023, 4:00 pm

Location: Tennis Club of Albuquerque (TCA)

Call to Order. 4:06 pm

Members present: Bill Gannon, Susan Bennett, Cheryl Gerwin, Spencer Gerwin, Zephyr Renner, Chris Narkun, Sara Mills

Members absent: Tony Prosser, Meghan Estep, Ana Maria Casey

Usual Business

1. Secretary's Report. Presentation of Minutes: minutes were reviewed and discussed briefly. Chris moved to accept the minutes; Spencer seconded the motion.
2. Treasurer's Report and budget analysis: Cheryl presented the treasurer's report and discussed the remaining expenditures for 2023. Currently the account balance is \$1256; the total cost of the July 4 event was \$876.29. The October balloon blast is estimated to cost approximately \$400. Susan moved to accept the treasurer's report; Sara seconded the motion
3. Crime Report; No formal crime report was given; Bill reports that there has been a lot of activity of the Albuquerque Community Team at Urban Park.
4. Website: No updates to the website at present. Forms for registration for the golf tournament will be on the website shortly
5. Newsletter to distribute email/web. The board discussed changing the format of the newsletter to be more attractive, detailed and eye catching. The Summit Park newsletter was reviewed as an example. Discussion ensued regarding possible advertising in the newsletter to offset costs. Bill will discuss adapting the current newsletter format with John Vittal for his input. Spencer and Tony have been working on increasing the mailing list as well.

Old Business

6. Netherwood Park Bites Food Truck Nite: According to Cheryl the food truck attendance has been much less than last year's and the numbers of attendees especially decreased when the weather was so hot. Some food trucks were unhappy about the decreased attendance as well and have chosen to stop coming for the food truck nights as well. Other parks have also experienced

decreased attendance but the decrease in numbers for Netherwood Park have been more marked. For these reasons we have decided to end the food truck season on August 16 instead of continuing on into September. Suggestions for next year's food truck season include offering food trucks for a shorter season, charging the food trucks \$40 to attend (normal fee for other parks) and providing music at each food truck night. The vandalism of the food truck banner in the median on Indian School is likely a factor as well as without the banner there is less publicity for the food trucks. We have no suspects for this vandalism. Several suggestions have been made for other types of median signs which would be harder to destroy and over the next 2 months board members will suggest 3 possible designs.

7. Memorial to Chuck Maguire: Bench and plaque placement update. In February Susan was informed that benches and plaques were about 6-8 months out for completion so the bench and plaque for Chuck should be available soon.
8. Neighborhood Watch progress: many areas still need captains. There was a neighborhood watch event this month called National Night Out. Several streets participated with good attendance but not all City reps made it to NNO event.
9. Former K-Mart / Whole Food site: progress is being made for the Whole Foods and American Furniture build out with planned completion December 2023. There has been no movement on the former Alpine Sausage Kitchen (now Alpine High) site. A new vegan restaurant (Nobody Calls Me Chicken) is opening in the Tikka Hut site with the opening date scheduled for this month. In addition, a large estate sale was held over two consecutive weekends at the former Blue Dragon coffee house site.
10. Urban Forest Guardians report: No new updates

NEW BUSINESS

1. Indian School update/ Tammy Fiebelkorn (District 7) / District 7 Coalition update notes, and meeting with the other two adjoining NA's presidents: No recent meetings have occurred between the neighborhood association representatives of Summit Park, North Campus and Netherwood Park. There are no additional updates about the Indian School corridor plans.
2. Bylaws committee Update: Due to new standards presented by the office of neighborhood coordination, the bylaws of the neighborhood association have been updated. The bylaws have been presented to the ONC and accepted. They must be presented at a general neighborhood meeting to the neighborhood residents with bylaws being distributed to residents at least 10 days prior to the meeting. The Balloon Blast on October 14 will serve as the meeting for voting on the bylaws. The September newsletter will refer neighbors to the NPNA website where the bylaws will be accessible. Any corrections to the bylaws will need to be sent to the neighborhood board via the website within 2-3 weeks of receipt of the newsletter. Voting on the minutes will take place at the Balloon Blast.
3. Megan Bott of Positive Energy Solar will present information on equipping a home with solar panels at the 13 Sept board meeting. Further information on solar energy will be provided to the neighborhood in the September newsletter.
4. Solar eclipse/Balloon blast 14 October: The Balloon blast which is traditionally held on the second Saturday of Balloon fiesta will be held this year on October 14. This year the blast coincides with a total solar eclipse. The eclipse will begin at 10:30 am.

5. Chuck Maguire Annual Neighborhood Golf Scramble – This year the Annual Chuck Maguire Neighborhood Golf Scramble will be held on September 23 at the UNM North Golf Course and will include golfers from the Summit Park and North Campus neighborhoods as well as those from Netherwood Park. After the scramble a pizza lunch will be provided with the cost included in the registration fee. Cheryl and Bill have been working closely with Mary Lipscomb and Tom Feldman on this. The registration forms are on the NPNA website and offer a QR code to scan to register as well.
6. Fall NPNA Yard Sales: Bill reported that the NPNA neighborhood yard sales will take place on September 16. Maps to the yard sales will be available.

Spencer moved to adjourn the meeting; Chris seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:19

Next board meeting to be held 13 September at 4:00 at TCA.

2023 Calendar of Events:

Looking ahead at the full year of NPNA neighborhood activities! “Official” calendar.

- Board meetings every second Wednesday of the month (except for July and Dec)
- Urban Forest Clean-up – **February 12th**
- Bike Path Clean-up – **TBD**
- Annual Meeting – **March 26**
- Abq Great American Clean-up (Indian School) – **April 22**
- Start NP Bites Food Trucks in the Park May 3 **NP: <https://daysintheparkabq.com/>**
- July 4th Activities and Parade – **July 4th**--No Board meeting
- National Night Out – **August 1**
- Food Trucks last Wednesday for the year – **August 16**
- Annual NP Yard Sales – **September 16**
- Annual Chuck Maguire Neighborhood Golf Scramble - **September 23**
- Balloon Blast – **October 14**
- December – No Board meeting

Current 2023-2024 Officers, Board & Standing Committees

President – Bill Gannon

Vice President – Zephyr Renner

Secretary – Sara Mills

Treasurer - Cheryl Gerwin/Spencer Gerwin

Web Master/Crime Mapping – Tony Prosser

At-large Board Members: Susan Bennett, Ana Marie Casey, Meghan Eastep, Chris Narkun

Committee to Calm Indian School Road – Carol Toffaleti

Newsletter/Historian– John Vittal

Urban Forest Guardians: David Broudy/Rifka Stern, Jim Cornfield/ Jana Bordegaray,

Bill Gannon, Sarah Geiger, Jeff/ Susan Hagemann, Teresa Law,

Tony Prosser, Eugene Sedeno, John Vittal / Debbie Ham

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 - *Go to APD website <https://www.cabq.gov/police/> to file a crime report
 - *Go to APD APP (search ABQ Police in App store) to file crime report, crime mapping and more
 - *CALL 242-COPS (2677) or 911(if crime in action) and report your crime.
 - *Go to NM DOT website <https://dot.state.nm.us/> download traffic accident report. Take completed report to APD substation to file.
 - *Go to ABQ311 web App <https://www.cabq.gov/311/abq311/311-web-app> [Report and upload photos](#)
 - ***DO NOT confront** criminals or act on your own. Know your neighbors. Keep in touch with block captains who work with NPNA.
 - *Homeless Assistance Hotline 505-768-HELP (4357)
 - *Report abandoned cars on neighborhood streets and request they be towed away. Call 311 to make a report, download the ABQ311 App on your smartphone, or online at ww.cabq.gov/report-abandoned-vehicles/report-abandoned-vehicles
 - NPNAalert@gmail.com or netherwoodpark@gmail.com
 - NP Bites Nite Website (info, calendar, vendor/music applications): <https://daysintheparkabq.com/>
 - Instagram posts: <https://www.instagram.com/daysintheparkabq/>
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