



Date & Time: Wednesday 13 September 2023, 3:30 pm (early start)

Location: Tennis Club of Albuquerque (TCA)

Members present: Bill Gannon, Tony Prosser, Spencer Gerwin, Cheryl Gerwin, Meghan Eastep, Ana Maria Casey, Zephyr Renner, Sara Mills

Members absent: Susan Bennett, Chris Narkun

Guests: Fiona Wong, Jeremy McCollum: Solar Advisors from Positive Energy Solar

Call to Order: 3:36 pm

#### Usual Business

1. Secretary's Report: Presentation of Minutes; no additions or corrections. Cheryl moved to approve the minutes; Zephyr seconded the motion
2. Treasurer's Report and budget analysis: Cheryl explained the additional monies paid to Paige Romero for the last two weeks of the food truck season, given the early termination of the season. So far, \$34 has been paid for golf scramble. The balance in the account is \$1797.46. Zephyr moved to accept the report, Sara seconded the motion
3. Crime Report: The report this meeting appears extensive given that it encompasses a 91 day period. The only surprising crime reported is of an attempted abduction with little other information available on this issue. The crime report will be posted on the website.
4. Website: Tony has posted numerous upcoming neighborhood events on the website
5. Newsletter – Discussion of adopting a new format is ongoing.

#### Old Business

6. Fiona Wong and Jeremy McCollum, two Solar Advisors of Positive Energy Solar, presented information on equipping a home with solar panels including rebates, determination of how many panels are needed, limitations to adding solar to homes. They also commented on the solar industry in ABQ and how solar energy could benefit our neighborhood. Business cards were provided along with current information on solar power in New Mexico. Further information on solar energy will be provided to the neighborhood in future newsletters.

7. Netherwood Park Bites Food Truck Nite: wrap up for this season. We discussed the problems we experienced this year (extraordinarily hot weather, food trucks failing to show up for food truck nights, vandalism/theft of the large sign previously in the median). Paige will attend a board meeting in January or February to discuss the plan for making the next food truck season more successful.
8. Netherwood Park NA Sign: Added security is needed for seasonal notices. Cheryl contacted the ONC about signage to promote neighborhood activities. The ONC only supports using hanging signs below the existing Netherwood Park Neighborhood sign present in the Indian School median. Given the speed of traffic along Indian School a sign hanging below the major sign will likely not be seen easily. We discussed installing a second sign advertising upcoming events perhaps in the median near Montezuma Elementary School. Discussion is ongoing.
9. Memorial to Chuck Maguire: Bench and plaque placement update. Despite multiple calls to the city by Bill and Susan regarding when the bench and plaque would likely be available for installation, further information is unavailable. [Update: installation planned for October]
10. Neighborhood Watch progress: possible new captain on Richmond, Anne O’Keefe; other areas still need captains.
11. Former K-Mart / Whole Food site: construction is ongoing with Whole Foods sign now present on the building itself. Alpine High: no new information. *Nobody Calls Me Chicken*: restaurant is now open and board members who have dined there give it positive reviews.
12. Urban Forest Guardians report: The park has been without significant issues for the last 3 months. Some neighbors have taken up trying to protect their homes by themselves by planting cactus, trimming park trees to prevent access by homeless people.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Bylaws committee Update: No new updates regarding the bylaws themselves. Bylaws must be presented to neighborhood residents prior to them being accepted by ONC. The bylaws have been placed on the website and residents should present additions or corrections to the neighborhood board/bylaws committee prior to the Balloon Blast on October 14 so that these changes can be incorporated.
2. Solar eclipse/Balloon blast 14 October: Cheryl has posted a signup online for balloon blast duties. The October board meeting will also be organizational.
3. Chuck Maguire Annual Neighborhood Golf Scramble, 30 September – Sign up is available on the website. Cheryl will post additional information via Nextdoor. Tom Feldman and Mary Lipscomb will coordinate the actual scramble with Carol Feldman organizing the food for lunch after the match. Further discussion about the extra funds will be used for is ongoing.
4. Fall NPNA Yard Sales – The yard sale will take place this weekend with 8 sales confirmed so far.

Next board meeting to be held 11 October at 4:00 at TCA. Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Tony at 4:57 pm; adjournment seconded by Zephyr.

#### **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 4<sup>th</sup> Activities and Parade – **July 4<sup>th</sup>**--No Board meeting
- Annual NP Yard Sales – **September 16**
- Food Trucks last Wednesday for the year – **1 September**
- Annual Chuck Maguire Neighborhood Golf Scramble – **September 30**
- Balloon Blast/ Solar Eclipse – **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](http://ww.cabq.gov/report-abandoned-vehicles/report-abandoned-vehicles)

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