

Northeast Neighbors (NEN) Board Meeting Minutes
April 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order: 6:32 p.m.

Board Attendees: Kevin Reed, Anne Millhollen, John Faville, Kirstin London, Rick Edwards

Other Attendees: Al Johnson, Charlotte Pearce

Minutes 3/1/21 Board Meeting: Anne moved approval; John seconded. Approved unanimously.

June 8, Spring General Meeting speakers:

- Neighborhood Watch. Kevin met with Rick Alderson (lives on Dale, 541-335-9350, aldybaldy@aol.com) about Neighborhood Watch presentation, particularly focused on porch pirating.
- Homelessness Shelter. All City neighborhoods will be expected to find micro-sites or other provisions for the unhoused. NeN will seek to be proactive informing neighbors of the inevitability and guiding the process. Anne is contacting Regan Watjus, Policy Analyst, City of Eugene, as a speaker. Kirstin is contacting Katherine Ryan, Program Services Coordinator, Lane County. Kevin will speak about NeN's role when (not if) the process will begin for the NeN area.

Possible speakers for future General Meetings:

- Potential future development: John has spoken with Gabe Flock (Principal Planner City Planning Dept.) about presenting assessment of buildable lands in NeN area. This would include Rebecca Gerschow, Project Manager Urban Reserves.
- Roundabouts. John will find speaker for brief discussion of the strengths of roundabouts and potential for use at certain NeN intersections.

NeN/Divisive issues: Kevin

- NeN has long had a policy of advocating on neighborhood issues but not broad citywide issues. On those broad and potentially divisive issues, we inform rather than advocate. We invite speakers to our meetings. We send out e-news encouraging people to participate in polls and voice their opinions.

NLC: Anne

- The NLC wants more power and influence but is not necessarily representative of all or even the majority of neighborhoods. NeN at times cannot back NLC initiatives.

Safety Tax Allocation Zoom Meeting: Kevin Tended to be kidnapped by "Defund the Police" voices.

Committees: In order to draw wider neighborhood involvement.

- Preparedness committee, led by Kevin.
- LTD/Ride Share committee, led by Anne.
- Neighborhood Safety committee, led by Kirstin.
- John will draft eNews soliciting neighbor involvement.
- Future committee about inclusiveness/representativeness may be formed after City releases neighborhood analysis based on 2020 census data.

NeN Priorities List: John will gather Board votes to shorten the list before asking neighborhood comment.

Outreach budget: John

- Postcard will announce June 8 General Meeting. Agenda must be set by May 12.
- Four-page color newsletter will immediately follow June 8 meeting before June 30 end of fiscal year.
- Remaining outreach funds will be \$550.

New NeN Website: Anne Check it out. It's beautiful.

Updates

- Delta Ridge: Hearing is April 8 at 5:00. NeN will have no comment because dominant issue is traffic impact, but TIA was not required because the application was as "needed housing."
- WinCo: LUBA decision is due soon.
- Striker Field: Ground breaks this summer but name may not be decided until after opening.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm