

KNA Board Meeting, October 11, 2017

6:30pm at NECN office

Board Members present: David Kennedy, Christen Cannon, Emily Leuning, Andrew Neerman, Diego Gioseffi

Neighbors present: Amy Higgs with Bureau of Environmental Services, Margaret O'Hartigan

Agenda:

6:33pm **Intros & check-ins** (5-10 min)

6:36pm: **Approving September meeting minutes** (5 min)

\*\*\*\*\* Emily motions we approve the September meeting minutes as is.

David seconds

All board members vote in favor: David, Emily, Diego, Christen, Andrew

6:40pm: **Sewer project update** (15 min)

Amy Higgs from BES: this projects focuses on the worst 2% of pipes in the city. Usually about 90 year old clay pies – replacing to protect water quality and public health. Woodlawn-King alleys started this summer. Woodlawn-King streets construction is scheduled to start the week of Oct 19.

Will inevitably be noise, dust, vibrations, potential traffic delays – should not be any interruptions in sewer or gas service. Sewer work happens in phases – do one thing, then move on to another site and do the same thing and then come back to original site to continue.

Alberta, Williams, Killingsworth, MLK will have some night work.

Work around King School will happen when school is not in session – coordinating with PPS and Principal.

Will try to maintain access for all businesses, work around truck or treating on Alberta, King farmer's market, etc.

Can subscribe for email alerts to stay up to date on what's happening.

Please let Amy know if there are questions/concerns.

Margaret says there was a couple six houses away from her who found the construction workers broke their lateral pipe. Asphalt put in the alley – used to be concrete, but now there are 3-4 inch differences

in height of pavement. Major hazard for folks walking in the dark – hard to see and weren't there before.

This is temporary asphalt – will be fixed once there are enough places to send an entire concrete truck.

David asks about open trench construction – how long do those take to construct from start to finish? Amy says open trench can take a couple of months (to have permanent patch) but it's not all at once. Might be plates on the construction area until permanent patch can happen. Depends on complexity of project. They're starting on Stafford between 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> – general schedule will be North to South.

Diego asks for follow up about rat situation. Could let folks know in advance to expect to see dead rats. If they're poisoning rats, where does the poison go?

6:55pm: **Bylaws – code of conduct** (15 min)

Code of Conduct – do not have an update. Do we need to include this in the bylaws? Christen says not necessarily, but we should try model this behavior.

Emily says she cannot make the December meeting.

**Emily** will make sure changes have been made to bylaws and send out draft to board

6:58pm: **Member open floor** (15 min)

Christen will be on leave for the next couple of months (6-8 weeks, maybe longer, TBD) Diego says we might need a treasurer to disburse funds while she's out – snacks for meetings, annual payment for state, etc. Christen says on other boards typically the secretary is the back up. Diego suggests Christen resign as Treasurer, he will be Treasurer until she is ready/willing to come back. Another issue is quorum – a couple of folks will be out for the next couple of meetings. Perhaps create a back up plan for when folks are out/don't have quorum/etc.

Christen says she will resign as Treasurer to take leave for having/taking care of her baby.

\*\*\*\*\* David motions to appoint Diego as treasurer

Andrew seconds

Motion approved: David, Andrew, Emily, Diego vote yes. Christen abstains.

\*\*\*\*\* David motions to appoint Christen as at large board member #4 (Diego's current seat)

Diego asks whether we should wait to reappoint her when she's ready to come back or now.

David says we should do it now in case we need to vote and she's able to attend a meeting in a couple of months.

Diego seconds

Motion approved: David, Andrew, Emily, Diego vote yes.

7:13pm: **Wrap-up, feedback, announcements** (5-10 min)

Diego asks how we're changing the bylaws in terms of absences – we differentiate between excused and unexcused absences.

Margaret says that Article 14 says that the proposed amendments require two membership meetings – one to introduce the changes, one to vote on them.

There is a free Rain Garden workshop at NECN (4815 NE 7<sup>th</sup> Ave) Sat Oct 28 from 9am to 1pm – learn how to plan, build, and design a rain garden!

Native planting and weeding work party – Saturday, Oct 21 from 10:30am at NECN – 1:00pm. Coffee and snacks provided. Plant native plants, do a bit of weeding, have fun, meet your neighbors.

Green King work has slowed down a bit because they no longer have Stephanie working. NECN needed to wait for approval of the budget.

Allen Temple Church is rebuilding – doing a buy a brick campaign to raise funds for reconstruction.

Andrew asks whether the KNA wants to buy a brick. There is some interest, but we would like to know more. Maybe we can promote it on facebook.

Diego says training was helpful, we should continue to have more trainings – conflict resolution, fundraising, communications, etc. Lots of things we can improve upon. David is meeting with Adam later this week and will ask what resources NECN has that can help.

Christen says she loves the idea of an orientation – procedures, bylaws, etc.

Andrew says he thinks an ad hoc nominating committee is a good idea.

David says he wants to look into this – what would it look like, how would it work.

7:28pm: we adjourn