

NESCO Board Meeting – January 27, 2014

Present:

Bosart Brown: Mark Saetre	
Brookside: Tommy Reddicks	Tommy Reddicks
Cottage Home: Dan Doll	Dan Doll
Emerson Heights: Rebecca Seifert	Rebecca Seifert
Englewood: Brent Aldrich	out
Forest Manor: no representative	n/a
Grace Tuxedo: no representative	n/a
Holy Cross: Kelly Wensing	Kelly Wensing
Little Flower: Dan Goldblatt/ Sarah Tague	Dan and Sarah
NoBO: Camelia Clay	
Otterbein: no representative	n/a
Rivoli: Pat Paff	Pat Paff
Spades Park: Marsha Burkhardt	Marsha Burkhardt
Springdale: Amy Jackson	
St. Clair Place: Stephen Ball	Stephen Ball
TEAR/United: no representative	n/a
Willard Park: Zach Adamson	Zach Adamson
Windsor Park: Mark Schroeder	Mark Schroeder
Woodruff Place: Matt Belsaas	Matt Belsaas
At-Large: Chris Staab	Chris Staab
At-Large: Ruth Shaw	Ruth Shaw
At-Large: Ken Holyoak	Ken Holyoak
Rick Van Dyke , Director Transportation	

Guests include:

- Sibeko Jywanza with NEAR
- Jim Bowden

Welcome & Introduction

The meeting opened at 6:30 pm. Kelly Wensing invited those present to introduce themselves.

Board Business

Approval of November 2014 Minutes: Chris Staab motioned that the November minutes be approved. Zach Adamson seconded the motion. There were two abstentions.

Treasurer Report: Two contributions for this year totally \$\$875 and one disbursement of \$50.

Presidents Report: IMPD on July 15 will have its Community Day. Grace Tuxedo is interested in having a meeting regarding crime reduction. Chris Staab will assist. Bosart Brown is interested in starting up a neighborhood organization. There will be a meeting at Thursday at the Tic Toc.

Digital Billboards –

Heard by the City Council postponed by the City Council until the April 6th meeting of the City Council

Three billboard companies are working with the City Council to promote digital billboards to replace some existing billboards. NESCO currently has 54 billboards in its boundaries.

Normally ordinances begin with DMP and flow to the City Council.

Feb. 12 NEAR will host a meeting at 6pm at the Bonner Center relating to the billboards.

IRS (501c3) Update – By the end of this week there will be a form sent by the lawyers for NESCO board members to sign.

NESCO Congress “Bring on the Biz!” Update – Feb 21 at Englewood Church in the morning. There will be two panels – one will consist of business expeditors and one of local business owners. Next meeting will Feb. 4 at Englewood at 6pm to lay out the space.

PI Day: 3.1415 will expand to include professional chefs. \$2750 has already been raised from sponsors. Time: 1 pm at the Arsenal Tech cafeteria.

NESCO Steering Committee report –

Scale back and focus on our strongest committees – land use and crime reduction are the two proposed committees to promote going forward.

Retain two activities for the year: NESCO congress and PI Day.

NESCO acts as an incubator

Look for direction by inviting community leaders.

Freeze elections for NESCO president and secretary.

Other activities like Feast of Lanterns and Bike Rodeo should be spun off to other groups.

Stephen proposed that NESCO freeze elections for one month. Chris Staab seconded. The motion carried. 11 for and 3 against.

Officer Election : postponed until February

- *President*
- *Secretary*

Rick VanDyke presented information regarding what is perceived as a power grab by utilities. The utilities propose to the state legislature that the utilities be able to raise rates when power usage is down.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm by Kelly Wensing

Next Meeting will be held on February 24, 2015 at 6:30pm at the Boner Center.