

NESCO Board Agenda – Tuesday, September 2024 at 6:30 PM

Englewood Christian Church Parlor @ 57 North Rural Street

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*Mission: NESCO engages Near Eastiders to work toward the safety and betterment of neighborhoods.
 Vision: NESCO cultivates an active presence in the community resulting in organized neighborhood associations, increased block clubs, and stronger advocacy.*

Call to Order 6:30 pm

Attendance/Neighborhood Roll Call: 10 minutes

	Attendees	Title		Attendees	Title
x	Chris Staab	NESCO President, Rivoli (At-Large)		Valerie Davis	Saint Clair Place
x	Paula Hartzer	Secretary, At-Large SCPNA			Springdale
x	Jim Bowden	Treasurer, Rivoli			Spades Park
x	Cameran Hardy	Brookside		Shirley Lerner	Vice President, Westminster/St Philip Neri
	Jessi DiCristofolo/Jessica Rohn	Bosart Brown	x	Kelli Thoma	Willard Park
		Cottage Home			Windsor Park
		Englewood			Woodruff Place
x	David Drery, Jaden Drury & Tess Mangine	Emerson Heights		Jesse Brown	City Council Rep. (District 13)
x	Oma Barger/Pastor Edie Smith	Grace Tuxedo		Jacob Barnes	Mayor's Neighborhood Advocate
x	Jim Spychaliski	Hollywood Place		Ron Gibson	City Council Rep. (District 8)
x	Clif Marsiglio	Holy Cross	x	Rosie Stockade	Mayor's Advocate (for Jacob)
x	Jessica Murphy & Joanna Harris	Little Flower		Cameron Hardy	Brookside Representative
x	Dion Irick	Otterbein	x	Andrew J Bochnicka	Rep Andre Carson (7th District)
	Justin Garcia	At-Large – Duval Residential Center (justin.garcia@indy.gov)			
	Quorum Total - 10				

Board Business: 10 minutes

September Minutes:

Treasurer's Report : General Account, as of September 22: \$4917.65 (\$2.30 interest)

Fiduciary Account, as of September 22: \$10,207.96 (\$6.28 interest). (This includes the INRC grant awardees)

Committee Reports: 10 minutes

- Land Use Committee- David Price acting Chair; September 19th Meeting regarding 2024-MOD-015 at 3500 E 20th St
 - The 4545 E Michigan St Petitioner for 2024-ZON-056 & 2024-VAR-009 was heard by the Hearing Examiner on August 29th and denied, Metropolitan Development Commission also denied 2024-ZON_056 on September 18th. The Petitioner has sent a letter to NESCO and Jesse Brown for an appeal
 - Also the hearing for the Bonner Center Parking is coming up. Hearing was postponed
- NESCO Liquor Committee - Jim Bowden; Chair No September Meeting; October Liquor Board cases were attached to agenda. License for Tic Toc is being transferred due to change in ownership. Kankan is renewing their license. Sam's Pie has applied for a liquor license
- Crime Reduction Code Enforcement - Chris Staab; Next meeting on October 7th
- Fund Raising Committee - Jim Bowden; Chair. No September Meeting
- Grant Committee- Chris Staab - No September Meeting; INRC Grant financial completed. INRC refund submitted

New / Continuing Business: 30-45 minutes

- **Updates from Andrew Carson's Office**
 - Reminders: Job Fair is every August, Youth Fair is always held in March
 - In Martindale-Brightway, there is a leaking cast iron pipe and Citizens Energy which will be addressed
 - There is a \$15million grant to deploy electric EV charging stations in Indy to be implemented. The project is geared to equitable placement.
 - Energy Assistance Program – Applications opened at Bonner on Oct 1, 2024; assistance begins in November.
 - Medicare sign up begins soon (Oct 15 – 7Nov). Note: do the Inflation Reduction Act, there is \$0 out of pocket costs for vaccines under Part D. Insulin Copay costs capped at \$35.00.
 - In 2025, a monthly prescription Payment Program will begin.
- **MCANA September report** – the presenter at the 21Sep2024 meeting was from DPW on Sustainability. Ongoing discussion on the use of leaf blowers in regard to pollution and no zone days. Billboard Ordinance Proposal: it is going forward to the Metropolitan Development Commission to expand the billboard signage from 40' to 60'. If passed, the proposal will then go to the City Council for a vote.
 - Within Nesco there are 26+ billboards.
- **Feast of Lanterns Foundation:** Action for Nesco: to send a letter to the organizer of FoL Martha Latta, as well as the volunteers from NESCO that assisted that day.
- **Emerson Height Fiscal agent discussion**
 - Be the fiscal agent for the neighborhood to help ECHO, by setting up a PayPal account. This will require a vote by the ex-directors. Neighborhood is still researching the legalities. Nesco has offered to help in any way. **Vote was tabled until we have we have a quorum from the Executive board at the next NESCO meeting.**
- **Women's Prison Land Swap** – State has agreed to transfer the property to the City of Indianapolis through an equitable exchange of land. The State will receive a portion of Sherman Park, and the Animal Control

acreage once their location is moved. The land swap won't occur until November, and the Animal Control property will not be available until late 2026.

- Note: The prison is located in Willard Park, and Sherman Park is within Rivoli.
 - Willard will be hosting a celebration on the decision of the land swap, and to also celebrate the 151st anniversary of the neighborhood, date TBD.
- **KIB:** AAB Captain increased August 2023-2024 by 90!
- **Mayors Advocate** – rosemary.stockdale@indy.gov 317-833-4938.
 - Rosie Stockade is our substitute Mayor's Advocate we have a permanent replacement assigned. Proposal 314 ordinance was offered by the City Council to reduce the racing events (spinners) around the city. Ordinance written by IMPD.
 - Reach out to your Councilman if you have questions.
 - **Indy Parks:** SafeParksIndy.org – is being set up where people are living in their cars. Hygiene stations will be provided. Exclusions would include those with DV charges or open warrants and violent crimes convictions.
- **Indy Housing Community Authority:** is working to remove the Lead paint ect at 440 N. Oxford. ICHCD – can do an analysis of your house if requested.

Events:

- Bosart-Brown Block Party Saturday September 28th at 7:00pm in the 100 block of N Wallace. They have requested a NESCO table. Attendees are asked to donate \$5.00 to participate to have food.
- Cottage Homes Block Party Saturday October 12th at 5:00pm.

Standing items:

NESCO Info: www.nescocommunity.org

- Neighborhood Associations are asked to submit their logos to send to Clif - clif@clifmars.com
- Neighborhood Associations are also asked to send events to Clif - clif@clifmars.com

KIB: Neighborhood Clean-ups for Dumpsters will open in January 2025!

Meeting adjourned at, via a motion, which was approved, at 7:29pm.

Next Meeting: 22Oct2024, the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Prepared by: Paula Hartzler

Meeting Minutes Approval Date: tabled.

Minutes are posted on our website at: www.nescocommunity.org