

## ELNA Minutes – December 07, 2015

Present: Eric Jay, Brenda Nuenez, Kt Walsh, Codi Bates, Josh & Amanda Davis, Pat Watkins, John Sebelius, KH Harris, Boog Highberger, Cindy Suenram, Aaron Paden, Josh F Davis, Lane Eisenbart, Mark Francis, Pam Blackburn, Nate Freiburger, Magali Rabasa, Jesse Fitzpatrick, Judy Romero, Dave Loewenstein, Linda Kucza, Jacki Becker, Mark Simpson, Christy Wittmer, Amanda Maciuba, Timothy B Morland, Jesse Carleton, John Wafire, Jake Lester & Katie Beckwood

Meeting called to order by Aaron Paden. No minutes were available for review.

Jake Lester & Katie Beckwood from the American Institute of Architecture Students spoke about their project at New York Elementary. Freedom by Design finds projects in the community involving architecture students. They are building a garden shed for the school in March. Currently they are fundraising including a silent auction at the MLK Chili Feed for donated bakery goods along with a Final Friday event in February. The goal is to raise \$4000. There is also a GoFundMe account for donations.

Sarah Bishop brought the new artists in residence from the Arts Center. They are Amanda, printmaker, Christy, ceramics and Elle, dancer (was unable to come). There is an upcoming class presented by Artist Inc to teach artists about the business practices of professional artists. Financial aid is available.

Guy Hupy came to discuss the properties owned by Mary McDowell on New York (1225, 1229, 1235). He asked for opinions about demolish vs renovate. Eric Jay offered resources to collect more historical information about the houses and specialty craftsmen.

Officer elections followed. Aaron Pedon was nominated to continue as president and was elected. Phil Collison and Josh Davis (NY) were nominated for Vice President. Phil was elected. Pam Blackburn was nominated as secretary and was elected.

President's Report: Aaron would like to have a brain-storming session about what we want to accomplish this year.

Treasurer's Report: \$3584.80 in the bank. It was moved by KT and seconded by Josh (NY) to make a donation of \$100 to the League of Women Voters for their assistance in the board election. Motion passed. It was also moved to pay Lane an extra \$300 for her extra work in coordinating the election.

Coordinator's Report: Board interviews will be collected and published in the next newsletter. The location of the January meeting is still being determined. The Adopt a Family wrapping party will be Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Aaron volunteered his studio at 835.5 Mass.

Dave Loewenstein reported on his research on Board Training and Liability Insurance. The insurance costs most groups between \$300-\$400 / per year. There are several groups that offer Board Training. Dave will continue to look into both.

East 9<sup>th</sup>: At the last CAC meeting (10/28), it was noted that 9<sup>th</sup> is a truck route. The initial street designs will not work for a truck route. There is also a need for an ADA sidewalk at St Luke's Church. The next meeting is 12/16 at 6:30 at the library.

LAN: Brenda reported one of the LAN members has a concern about the fireworks both around the 4<sup>th</sup> and other festivities. Person wanted a letter of support to have more police in neighborhoods to monitor. Generally it was felt that the police are doing a good job currently on monitoring this situation.

There is concern about the Marriot parking basement off of 9<sup>th</sup>. Drivers going in and coming out are not paying attention to either pedestrians or cars on the street.

City Commission: KT brought up that the Horizon 2020 plan section on neighborhoods needs better language on what is a neighborhood.

Safe Routes to Schools: NY didn't qualify to add LED.

Quonset Hut on 8th: KU Art department has signed a long term lease to rent.

Sunrise Garden: is pursuing a change in zoning to light industrial. The request was deferred back to planning. They are asking for neighborhood support.

Leon's property was discussed.

NY PTO: the recent intruder into the school was discussed. PTO Book drive is collecting books to give away for Holiday reading. Drop off donations by 12/15. MLK chili feed is looking for cookie donations.

Yart sale will be in March.

Pam moved to adjourn the meeting. Cindy seconded. Meeting was adjourned.