

ELNA Minutes – October 05, 2015

Present: Eric Jay, Brenda Nuenez, Kt Walsh, Codi Bates, Josh & Amanda Davis, Pat Watkins, John Sebelius, Mike Anderson, Porter Arneill, Marlo Angell, Katy Clagett, Diane Fry, Sarah Bishop, Kent Fry, Mark Simpson, Joshua Spence, Bill Wachspress, Marc Epard, ?? < John We... of 1029 Delaware>, Madeline O'Brien, Robert Krause, Frank Janzen, KH Harris, John Craig, Michael Almon, Serena Pearson, Bob Nugent, Joe Bickford, Linda Lips, Bruce Eggers, Boog Highberger, Susan Tate, Richard Renner, Amber Hansen, Nicholas Ward, Nicolette Proudfoot, Jesus Chavez, Mark Francis, Tiffany Francis, Carl Masters, John Gascon, Cindy Suenram, Christine Kosirog, Aaron Paden, Matt Pryor, Josh F Davis, Lane Eisenbart, Phil Collison, Pam Blackburn

Meeting called to order by Aaron Paden. August & September minutes were available for review. Phil moved to accept minutes. KT seconded. Minutes were approved.

Bob Nugent from Lawrence Transit spoke. There has been a 156% increase in ridership, highest in the state of Kansas. Success is due to coordination between KU and the city. East Lawrence is served by the Route 1 Loop. This route has seen a 90% increase in ridership over the last 5 years. Lawrence Transit is looking for other ways to serve East Lawrence & Brook Creek.

For the past 2.5 years, they have been trying to agree on a location for a transit center. This is now adrift. 21st & Stewart was not approved. 925 Iowa (behind Merc) has a private owner who refused the idea of a transit center on the property. Currently exploring the option of a Central District on the KU campus.

The following members gave their intention to run for the ELNA board at the November elections.

Mike Anderson	Bruce Eggers	Carl Masters
Cody Bates	Mark Francis	Aaron Paden
Jackie Becker	Kent Fry	Matt Pryor
Pam Blackburn	John Gascon	John Sebelius
Phil Collison	KH Harris	Cindy Suenram
Amanda Davis	Eric Jay	Kt Walsh
Joshua F Davis (Penn)	Christina Kosirog	Patrick Watkins
Josh Davis (NY)	Robert Krause	

Susan Tate spoke of the NEA Grant the art center is pursuing to help fund the Film Festival. The Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission applied for 2014-15 and were turned down. This grant application is for 2017-18. Susan asked for a letter of support from ELNA. Christina moved to have ELNA write the letter of support. She also volunteered to write the letter. Motion passed.

Phil & John S spoke about the East 9th Project. There has not been much process. The next meeting is 10/28. Concerns expressed include safe bike routes to school and the concept plan.

President's Report: Great Block Party! Thank you to all volunteers and for the donations to help Max & Joe.

Coordinator's Report: Newsletter deadline 10/12; continuing to try to process all the new memberships; made we site updates; contacted the Ballard Center for the Adopt a Family. Perculator Kickstarter still has about \$1000 to raise to qualify for matching funds. River Cleanup went well. There will be another one scheduled in the spring.

LAN: Elections coming up. Rental Inspections have brought in \$315,000 in fees, mostly in Oread neighborhood. Violations are increasing.

HRC: New 804 Studio home being built at 12th & Penn.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting by Cindy, seconded by Christina. Meeting adjourned.