

ELNA Minutes – September 11, 2017

Present: Mike Anderson, Pam Blackburn, Josh Davis, Jennifer Distlehorst, Lane Eisenbart, KH, Eric Jay, Johni Lacore, Chris Lempa, Dave Loewenstein, Cindy Suenram, KT Walsh

Dennis Constance, Brenda Nunoz, Jay Holley, Frank Janzen, Mike & Tami Nevels, John Myers, Judy Romero

Meeting called to order by Phil Collison. Minutes for February, March, July were reviewed. Josh (NY) moved they be accepted, Johni seconded. Minutes were approved.

Dennis Constance of Justice Matters & Affordable Housing spoke about the upcoming sales tax question to be voted on in November. Question 3 is asking the voters to approve a .05% tax to be put into the affordable housing trust fund. Lawrence is currently 4000 units short in affordable housing. This will not be an additional tax. This amount was previously dedicated to the transit hub. He would like everyone to support this question in the November election.

Home tour scheduled for 10/21 from 10 – 4 was discussed. Eric has asked the owners for commitment. 4 of 10 have committed. 2 most likely will. Suggested price is \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door.

Block party is 9/30.

The city commission voted to allow the downtown grocery store project to apply for incentives. The grocer will only commit to 5 years due to the current changing of the food market business. HRC was dismayed by the mass and scale of the structure and has asked for changes.

East 9th: city & LAC are looking for ways to use remaining money from grant.

NY School book fair is in November. Cindy moved, KT seconded to donate to the fair.

Treasurer reported there is \$3023.56 in the checking account.

Reminder that the October meeting is when candidates declare for the ELNA board elections in November.

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