

SPNA Meeting Minutes 5/13/2024

The SPNA monthly meeting was held at the McCabe Community Center. The meeting was called to order and a quorum was recognized. President, Jenny Komoll, presided.

Minutes: Minutes from the April SPNA meeting were accepted with no changes.

Guest Speakers:

- **Anna Dearman**, NDOT Walking and Biking Manager:
 - Work will be done at the crossing at 46th and Utah.
 - Vertical delineation will be added to bike lane buffer (painting)
 - Data will be collected on intersections through the neighborhood and incremental safety and mobility improvements will be coming.
 - Can submit needs through Hub Nashville
 - 42nd & Nebraska will be getting self-watering planters.
 - Poster presentation provided.

- **Bob Freeman**: State Rep for 56th House District: Update and Q&A:
 - Toll roads will be allowed on all state roads.
 - Funding for highways went to toll roads instead of the state.
 - Nashville will only get 10% of funding that they were previously going to get from the state.
 - A change in the excise tax allows for \$2 billion for large businesses.
 - ABC Required to teach safe bar licensing program; educates employees to look out for people; helps to prevent date rape.
 - Q: regarding teachers and guns: A: local educators can opt in to have teachers carry guns; none have opted in.
 - Q: housing zoning; A: should have incentives for inclusionary zoning and setbacks
 - Transit and affordable housing are regional problems, not just Davidson County
 - Democratic Caucus passed ninety-four bills this year; Bob Freeman brought eighteen of them.
 - Created affordable housing grant fund; 50% of state money is available and created mechanism for it to be funded.
 - Cell # for Rep. Freeman: 615-642-9842

REPORTS OF PROGRAMS AND COMMITTEES:

Membership: 162 people have signed up for 2024 so far, three more than last year. Three people signed up at the Welcome Table at the Farmer's Market.

Treasurer: Reported income of \$1,300; paid out community donations; \$28,000 in available assets.

MOTION to approve expenses of \$55.76 for snacks for the Richland Creek clean-up; **Motion seconded and passed.**

Advocacy and Zoning: Nothing new to report

Communications: The Spring Newsletter just went out; next newsletter will be in June.

Welcoming Committee: no report

Traffic Calming: Neighbors have voiced interest in traffic calming for both 49th/50th & Nevada and also Park Ave. Old applications stay active even if they were not previously selected. Anyone can apply for a speed trailer to collect data in a particular area.

Beautification:

- A sub-committee was formed to address the Sylvan Park sign in Richland Park; ongoing work exploring options.
- The Nashville Tree Foundation and Metro Water will remove the dying crepe myrtles by the roundabout.
- A pollinator garden may be planted next year near the Community Center.
- Ongoing work regarding the murals for the underpass.
- Friends of McCabe Park are collaborating with an architect; raised \$50,000. Picnic for Park fundraiser is September 14th by the Community Center. Permission was granted to raise \$400,000 for the entire plan for the playground.

Parents Club:

- Saturday, May 18th, the Library will have a puppet truck.
- June 1st: Fire Station Tour.

Events:

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- SPNA table at Richland Park Farmers Market monthly, the Saturday before the SPNA meetings, from 9am-noon. Please sign up.
- Tour de Nash – Open Streets, in the Nations (May 18th). Routes are 9, 25, and 45 miles; 51st Ave will be closed from 7am-2pm.
- SPNA Yard Sale (June 15th) www.sylvanpark.org/yard-sale-2024-signup
 - o Sign-up is open until June 8th and is free to members; \$25 registration for non-members covers membership. Fifteen people have signed up so far.
- 4th of July Parade: Sign-up sheet on table to help; Lorilyn will be helping with the children's activities.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: June 10th at 7:00 p.m.