

NEPNA Monthly Meeting Northeast Park Neighborhood Association February 11th, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Called to order: 6:32pm

Attendance:

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Agenda:

- Budget update and review
- Home security grant program planning
- Update neighborhood improvement projects
- Open time for neighborhood conversation

Budget Update and Review:

- Laurie Anderson covered the current state of the budget: Budget Update and Review:
- Comprehension of options to spend money –
- Katie: need to draft budget at next meeting: recommendation to build a database of possible grants, put together fundraiser, help get finances ready.
- Laurie: Recommendation of attending events, creating signs, renting space, dollars, fun outreach, Trivia/
- Regarding the grant program, Laurie emphasized how would they be paid, and who would double check the work? Could we hire of someone to ensure the work was done.
- Recommendation for the Art of Whirl - Nicolle Toth: Yard signs? Idea: instead of parades, Marti gras – turned the streets into static parades. With the Art of Whirl this year: shift

galleries outdoors, cannot be in doors, to emphasize outdoors in the yards * There has been discussion around AAW and mirroring what New Orleans did this year - using front yards/houses...maybe we could get behind that somehow with marketing monies?

- Laurie - potential to increase donation toward this year's parade.
- Recommendation Nicolle - to consider doing Expo – where businesses could come and advertise services, ask for a donation from the business to have a table. Nicolle to spear head with a target date of: May/June What would the name be called? -- Leave it open to NE Expo – Use Sociable parking lot/ to rent space.
- Luna - Advertise – in the northeaster
- New Bikes with Bike group, will there be a kickoff?
- Katie wanting to hire a director or grant writer – looking to get help with interviewing. Pay her a lump sum/ hire for specific contract with a specific time frame, September volunteered.

Motion from Laurie brought forward a motion to emphasize the hiring of grant writing person, approved by - Nicolle Toth,

Project to redesign website: Code of the North: Rough estimate 6-7k to complete the project.

Motion from Luna: to begin working with Bida Images, \$8,000 to update the website, no one opposed, approved.

Home security grant program planning –

- Recommendation to submit a plan modification to update the amounts on the neighborhood improvement projects

Motion from Kate to Approve - Trivia night – Katie work with Ombibulous to donate- motion accepted:

Motion from Kate to approve 20k in spending for the Home security grant program planning

- September brought forth links for Dismantling White Supremacy Building Race Equity
 - <https://equityinthecenter.org/who-we-are/our-approach/>
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Meeting Adjourned: 7:58pm