



**North End Neighborhood Organization: Board of Directors
Monday February 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Present: Rich Holst, Henrik Webber, Steve Struhar, Ethan Osten, Katheryn Schneider, Alison Warford, James Berka, Garrett McDermott, Suyapa Miranda, Chloe Rizzo, Karin Groening, Matt Sletten

Absent: Tammie Johnson, Thaw Too So, Anthony Levine

The meeting opened with welcome and introductions

A motion to approve the agenda was M/S/A

A motion to approve the consent agenda was M/S/A

A motion to seat Chloe Rizzo representing Quadrant 1 on the Board was M/S/A

Committee Reports:

North End Development Team

A SRTAR application will be submitted with NENO taking the lead. Unique Daycare, 911 Rice Street will apply to the Neighborhood STAR program, they need \$60,000+ amount of work.

The Saint Bernard's Bell Tower and Saint Mary's Romanian church each have requests in but not have completed the compliance work. There is limited time for both entities to complete necessary items of the funds will go back to the NEDT. The IHELP market on Dale Street will be finalizing their application, NENO is the community partner.

Land Use & Housing:

A motion to approve the committee's recommendation to support Thai Street Market's application for a wine on sale beer on sale (strong) and to waive the forty-five day waiting period was M/S/A

Axtman Auto is dealing with a license suspension as to the license was not renewed. There are cars on the lot and a new owner.

The committee recommends that the Board creates an Equity Scorecard for Development. This item is suspended to later on the agenda.

Friends of the North End

Work on the Marydale is Festival is continuing. The Park and Beer Service permits have been approved.

Transportation Committee

The Pedestrian Plan comments are ready to be submitted, an email vote was attempted with not enough members responding. The North End is shortchanges in scores regarding feasibility. Sidewalk construction in the North End is high in need but scored low on feasibility. A motion to accept and submit the pedestrian Comments was M/S/A

Safe Neighborhoods

There are approximately 36 lights distributed. The committee is moving its focus to the Rice Larpenteur Area. The committee is aligning activities to the strategic plan. There is a pending grant that awards should be announced in March.

Equity Scorecard for Development

Members liked the concept. The document distributed is the West Side's version-functionally there is a blank version to work on. The board should look at items and be more proactive. Language in the Strategic Plan can be used and ultimately the scorecard would be policy. Projects come to NENO and it would be used to score projects on initiatives listed in the scorecard. Aim high with percentages it will give bargaining power to NENO. Each committee will take up what they would be responsible for and the Executive Committee will channel the rest to committee. Something from committees should come back to the board in March.

Seating Ethan Osten to the North End Community Foundation

The NECF meets during the day and Ethan was the only member to express interest. A motion to seat Ethan Osten to represent NENO at the NECF was M/S/A. Staff mentioned that NECF will discuss responsibilities with NENO's representative and then vote.

To Go Containers

After discussion the Board voted to support the To Go resolution with one abstention (Matt Sletten)

Board Member Support

If new members are interested in getting connected with other members they should email the office.

Saint Paul Business Awards

Members should feel free to nominate a business.

New Business

Members were invited to the youth dinner on February 13, 2019 at Krungthep Thai beginning at 6:30 PM. They should email the office if they plan to attend.

Garrett McDermott mentioned he met with Council President Brendmoen on increasing the age to purchase cigarettes from eighteen to twenty-one.

Old Business

There was no old business

Board Comment

Ethan Osten mentioned he is working for County Commissioner Trista Matascastillo and plans to stay on the board. He will recuse himself from any voting regarding county projects if necessary.

Matt Sletten mentioned that a Tobacco Shop was opening net to Dominos on Rice and Larpenteur.

Meet adjourned