



South Perry Business & Neighborhood Association (SPBNA)

To strengthen the South Perry Business District and the surrounding community

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APPROVED

Minutes for the meeting held on **Tuesday, May 8th, 2018** at Emmaus Church:

Emily Wenzel called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

22 people were in attendance:

Melissa Anderson	Kat Hawker*	Deb Ritter*
Matt Blaine*	Julie Jorgegnsen	Debbie Rowe*
Deb Conklin*	Donna Kodak	Hal Rowe*
Dana Dalrymple*	Ryann Louie*	Bettie Stirtz*
Rex Griffith*	Sam Lux*	Ian Sullivan*
Tamara Griffith*	Ken Maupin	Bob Supon**
Shauna Harshman*	Peggy Parker*	Emily Wenzel*
		Bonnie Williams*

* Indicates Voting Members

**Indicates new voting members as of this meeting

Excused Absences (emailed to Emily):

Craig Sweat
Captain Tracie Meidl

Quorum

18 voting members in attendance (at time minutes were approved)
26 total voting members currently; 69% (Quorum requirement is 25%)

II. ORGANIZATION BUSINESS

Adopt minutes of prior meetings

Deb distributed copies of the April minutes, which had also been emailed out to the mailing list.

Corrections to the April 2018 minutes: add Emily Wenzel and Bettie Stirtz to be designated check signers. This was discussed at the meeting but not added to minutes. Change Andrew Chance name to Andrew Chanse.

Move to adopt minutes as corrected emily motion, bob second. All were in favor, with no one abstaining. Minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report

Bettie distributed copies of the Proceeds & Loss Statement as of May 2018, for both SPBNA and Garden funds. The current total register balance for SPBNA funds is \$2722.81 and \$330.17 for Garden funds.

Question about expenses for birdhouse supplies. Discussed. Question on garden bed capacity and payment. Peggy responded there are 6 more bed payments coming in and 1 that is not rented yet. No further discussion.

III. SPD REPORT

Captain Meidl was unable to attend the meeting. She sent a message encouraging residents to make her aware of any concerns.

Concern brought up about 618 S. Garfield (corner of Hartson and Garfield), overgrown land in this area. Suggested call 311 code enforcement especially if blocking sidewalk or drainage.

IV. NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS

CHAS Health Presentation

Lindsay Ruivivar with Chas Health 817 S Perry gave the presentation. Chas started as healthcare for homeless, is open to all now, operates 12 locations, offers sliding fees, dental and payment plans Patient services coordinator is a service offered, one doesn't need to be a patient of Chas to use. They provide certified insurance navigator, transportation assistance. Shyla in Perry clinic just started, call 444-8200 to get scheduling. Over 50 percent of the Chas board uses the Chas services. Many people need more dental access. Chas will be adding a dental clinic in Spokane Valley and Cheney. Also working with east central community center for a dental office. Adding a dental clinic with 20 chairs near Holy Family. In addition will have elder care clinic -- Christ church gave building to Lutheran church and partnered with Chas to open clinic for 60 and older. October possible open.

Question on how is Chas funded. Chas is a federal qualified health center and grant funded, as well as bills insurance. They are a nonprofit, and have city of Spokane grant for uninsured dental services. Question on volunteers for Chas. Chas does not overall use volunteers but has physicians that may do 1 day in Chas as well as their private practice. Chas in Perry has psychiatric services available Weds for ages 13 and up. Questions: Do you do dentures at the dental clinics? Answer: not really, but can provide assistance to locate. Question: adult vs pediatric care: About 25% are kids and rest are adult.

Pharmacy open 8am-6pm, need to be Chas patient or referral to use but provides steep discount.

Community Outreach Efforts

Shauna update that a flyer is in progress, she will create some flyers to give out and go on door knocking tour. Outreach and engagement to help get people involved.

Suggestion to put flyers in the little libraries (as well as the city libraries)

ECNC Update

Deb Conklin gave update. Main update is **need to submit request for permit to use park for street fair.** Submit formal request to east central neighborhood council.

As well, correction for the trash day green card that was sent around had the wrong dates for large item pick ups. Will post on nextdoor and will send out updates to that.

Spokane Matters 2.0

Shauna updated that parking survey is ongoing, trying to improve outreach and involvement. Paper and online survey and project page going on. Would like to know what are the issues for residents, parking, need to include Grant Elementary and Shauna will have this ready for markets in August, as well as go to neighborhood council. So far 188 respondents to survey.

Emily suggested crossing southeast blvd is deterrent for some people to bike or walk to Perry. Shauna requested all outreach ask people to think about how do you access this district? if you do drive, where do you park? Spokane is using a heat map of data generated by cell phone information that shows where people are walking and hiking etc.

Bike parking (and lack of) was brought up as an issue. As well as need striping for parking. Any grants for this? South Perry Farmers Market said Bike Hub approached them to donate a bike rack but they are not sure where to install? Deb R. suggested possible temporary bike racks using weighted water barricades. Suggested to look into biking groups that may grant or donate funding for bike racks, as well as prioritize bike racks in parking plan.

Spokane Public Library

Dana Darymple provided update on library survey and expansion of services and buildings. Brought in physical posters for voting from attending members. She reviewed the issues and building sizes and options for expansion. Question to please include some of this data on the survey itself, like patrons served, building sq ft. As well, announced Food for Fines in May, a program to bring canned food and pet food and get fines removed.

Spokane Public Schools Reboundary

Grant Elementary announced some new middle schools to be built, and additions to Shaw, Sac and Gary. As well as a reboundaries survey and effort for elementary schools. It has been 20 years since last boundary drawn.

V. COMMITTEE/WORKING GROUP REPORTS

Street Fair

Ian reported that vendor booth applications are now open. Free booth space for businesses and nonprofits in the neighborhood. Question on whether South Perry Street Fair would have problems similar to Elkfest due to the live music at this event. Responses generally that residents were more in favor of the Street Fair, it was more family friendly, the fair ends at 10 and not anticipated to have issues.

If anyone has any questions or would like to get involved, the best way to contact is to message the Street Fair Facebook page (facebook.com/southperry) or email (southperrystreetfair@gmail.com). The date for this year's Street Fair is Saturday, July 21st.

Community Garden

Peggy reported decorating garden stakes at Tsuga on Thursday market and brought in samples. Said some children came from Kernel program at the market and had a plant to make a stake for. Bob discussed security issues in the garden. Question about cameras and if the garden has purchased them, answer is not yet. Peggy gave some background on the garden and reason for fence planting (food for neighborhood kids). Rental fees cover only part of garden costs. There are 44 beds. Fundraising is needed.

If anyone would like to be involved they can email Peggy (peggyparkersemail@gmail.com) or message through the Garden Facebook page (facebook.com/GrantParkGarden).

Street Fair Grant Application Presentations

TEAM Grant gave some background on what TEAM Grant stands for and does. TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More): TEAM Grant, their next event is Walk in the Park and they do citizen of the month book, every classroom chooses 1-3 students based on meritorious qualities, and they get to choose new books, and positive behavior intervention. brag tags that help with academic excellence, and perfect attendance, give prizes for students showing good behaviors, team grant helps with art supplies, pizza, field trips to colleges, musical instruments or rental fees, fish hatchery field trip. mostly citizen of the month books for buying books. About 367 children benefit from TEAM grant citizen of the month books.

Odyssey: Ian Sullivan gave some background on the group and uses for grant funding. Odyssey youth movement, a lgbtq house for youth, 13-24 ages served, 13-18 and Thurs night 18-24 young adult, snacks

available, group meal, they provide affirmations, sexual health, peer support groups, trauma support as well, Ferris, Lewis and Clark and the Community school have participating members. The funding would go towards food and security, meal pantry, transportation, and toiletries, basic needs etc. Ian said this would serve likely 100-125 people.

VI. FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND OTHER ITEMS

Trash can pick up on Streetscape

Heidi and son emailed that market trash has increased, do we want to pay them to do this more? We discussed member fees, Annie Stranger from Thursday market was present, contact to president@thursdaymarket.org for more discussion on market trash cans. Some ideas such as getting boy or girl scouts to sponsor pick up. Or business school to help with volunteers for Thursday market. Shauna proposed having SPBNA fund it for the summer until we come up with a long term plan. However, the decision was not to increase trash pick ups. Thursday market will inquire into using green bins for pizza boxes, and to ask vendors to bring trash cans for their trash. Decision was to see how this goes.

501C3 Nonprofit Application

The SPBNA board met and filled out much of the paperwork together for 501c3. Emily reported that she has the Tax ID number, the fee for 501c3 is paid, and our name was updated with the state from SPBA to SPBNA (added Neighborhood) to the official name. In about two weeks we will have official 501c3 status.

Voting on Perry Street Fair Grant Applications

Discussion about voting process and if TEAM Grant and Odyssey should leave. Decision was they could stay for the voting. Discussion over the two groups rotating years and sharing this funding. Decision was to give the grant to one group, and if there was additional funding at the end of the year, this could go to the other group.

Thursday Market did not know, was not aware, of opportunity for this grant, and will look to apply in a following year. We will seek to increase outreach and announcements.

Voting: Voting members only. 2 votes for TEAM Grant, and 14 votes for Odyssey.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURN

Grant Keller will be at the next meeting to speak about the development on 15th and Ivory.

Meeting was adjourned **8:36 pm**

*Respectfully submitted,
Deborah I. Ritter, SPBNA Secretary*