



## South Perry Business & Neighborhood Association (SPBNA)

To strengthen the South Perry Business District and the surrounding community

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### APPROVED MEETING NOTES

Minutes for the meeting held on **Tuesday, July 10th, 2018** at Emmaus Church:

Meeting called to order by Emily Wenzel at 6:35PM

## I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

23 people were in attendance:

Melissa Anderson\*  
Matt Blane\*  
Sean Clark  
Deb Conklin\*  
Dana Darymple\*  
Tamara Griffith\*  
Rex Griffith\*  
Shauna Harshman\*

Heidi Hash\*  
Kat Hawker\*  
Julie Jorgensen\*  
Sam Lux\*  
Kim Mortensen  
David Overhoff\*  
Peggy Parker\*  
Deborah Ritter\*  
Debbie Rowe\*

Hal Rowe\*  
Bettie Stirtz\*  
Ian Sullivan\*  
Emily Wenzel\*  
Marilyn Larson  
Eli Brown

\* Indicates Voting Members

**Excused Absences (emailed to Emily, Shauna, or Deb):**

Traci Meidl

## Quorum

19 voting members in attendance (at time minutes were approved)

27 total voting members currently;  $19/27 = 0.703 = \underline{70.3\%}$  (Quorum requirement is 25%)

## II. ORGANIZATION BUSINESS

### Adopt minutes of prior meetings

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

Shauna moved to accept the minutes as amended with addition of attendees name, adding traffic calming members and changing Profit & Loss to Cash Flow. Bettie seconded the motion. All were in favor, with no abstentions. Minutes were approved as presented.

### Treasurer's Report

Bettie distributed copies of the Cash Flow Statement as of June 20, 2018, put together by Bettie, for both SPBNA and Garden funds (June 30th). The current total register balance for SPBNA funds is \$3506.33 and \$173.83 for Garden funds. SPBNA net is -340.47 and Garden net is -578.74.

## III. SPD REPORT

Lt. Overhoff attended for Captain Meidl. He brought crime stats and report for us to view. P5 includes East Central, Chief Gary Park, there was one call from 7/1 to 7/10 in Perry District.

He discussed 2 addresses that are nuisance properties: 918 E10th Ave 617 E 9th Ave. There is action to resolve. One address by Wisconsin Burger will be done by next week. Two juveniles -- Jack Stapleton

and Chase Lowels -- are responsible for at least 9 stolen vehicles in the Perry area. They broke into The Shop and the Buddhist temple. There are pictures of them on the Ring camera on nextdoor. There's an abatement process starting right away.

The South Precinct now has a radar speed trailer and can request the radar trailer. Email Officer Tim Ottmar, he is head of the speed trailer requests. Its a visual reminder for people to know how fast they are going but it doesn't collect data on how many cars go through or how fast they are driving.

Ben Burr trail has been cleaned up significantly. It is city ordinance that officers have to give 48 hour notice not to camp before they could enforce movement. They were able to take out 13 camps there last week. There is a new park ordinance just enacted to cite for trespassing, and that can be used to help decrease camping. For long term parked cars -- call crime check. They will come out and tag a car and 72 hours later will tow if it is not moved.

General discussion: Email SPD webmail (Seth Burrow is the NRO) -- email to him for any issues in this area. Stolen property can be recovered if you have a photo. Lt Overhoff will be at the street fair as well as 8 other officers throughout the day.

#### **IV. NEIGHBORHOOD CONNECTIONS**

##### **ECNC/ECCC, East Central Neighborhood Council**

East Central: The food bank is changing from 2 per week to 2 per month distribution. SPD was present at the meeting and spoke about similar issues of crime and vagrancy as mentioned above. There is a traffic calming request on 3rd and Perry near Liberty Park where a child was killed. There is a lot of planning for it already, will focus on 3rd and 2nd Avenue and people on Ben Burr to go through that area too. There will be no August meeting.

The neighborhood council chair from ECNC is looking to partner with SPBNA on events and activities, and would like these two groups to be more cooperative and working together. If in the future SPBNA is looking to become an official neighborhood council, the ECNC chair seems open to this.

SPBNA is on the ECNC mailing list, however it was discussed that it is difficult for an individual to get on their email list, and the website is not being maintained and minutes are not being posted to the site.

##### **Community Outreach**

Shauna needs help for the Street Fair. Set up help is needed, there's a link on the Facebook page. The booth will be a community information booth -- SPBNA info, East Central will have someone, will have a map of vendors, Shauna will be there with the parking study. Tamara Griffith and Rex Griffith volunteered too.

Can link to parking study on a thread in Nextdoor about parking issues in Perry. Deb can put up information about it on Nextdoor to that thread.

##### **Spokane Public Library**

Dana updated on Spokane Public Library. She discussed the recent library bonds. The decision is they are not going to move the South Hill library. They will make some improvements and redesigns. There is an online site at the library website where users can see the make-over. East Central library will have two different branches. It is under discussion where those will go -- likely will move it to the nearby park and make it bigger. Dana discussed a time banking program -- like a shared educational program. Deb R. suggested they may look at the Buy Nothing group for participants in this too. Feedback from SPBNA members for Dana and the Library is that it feels like Spokane Public Libraries have listened to the community and that is appreciated.

#### **V. COMMITTEE/WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

### **Street Fair Committee**

The Perry Street Fair is going along just fine. There is still need of sponsors. Global Credit Union, Deschutes Brewery, STCU -- it would be good for someone to sponsor the kids fair. Discussion came from members about sponsorship levels not being clear -- \$1500 is the main sponsorship and others could be smaller amounts? What businesses in the area could sponsor it? Molina health was suggested. A reminder went to all that Perry from 9th to 12th will be closed. 11th St. is open local traffic only. The kids fair is in need of volunteers. There will be Yoga in the park from the Bhuddio. There will be giant chalk boards listing events for the day of and Ian will make sure yoga is on there too. SPBNA is very close to finalizing all permits, for the park and the Sunday morning Community Church service at 10am at the picnic shelter. General discussion: Question about garbage management for the Street Fair -- do we need an extra dumpster? Garbage will be handled by a group of volunteers throughout the day. Email Mackenzie Ivy who is running the kids area to volunteer further.

### **Community Garden (out of order -- this was after Care Cars below, placing here for organization)**

Peggy Parker displayed a mason bee house as an example item that will be available for raffle. There are bird houses and other items too. Everything was made from up-cycled material and has been repurposed.

### **VI. Care Cars Presentation** from Frontier Behavioral Health

Diane Roberson presented on this program. This service enhances the quality of life for seniors and disabled persons by providing accessible transportation for elderly and disabled adults that need an escort for health appointments. Some history and background of the program was provided as well as a video.

Care cars started in 1984. Thus far it has logged over 125k trips and 1.5 million miles. A rider must live in Spokane county, be over 55 or disabled and over 18, require an escort and cannot navigate any other transportation service. A rider must be ambulatory -- they cannot take wheel chairs in the cars. Care Cars helps people stay in their homes longer and be independent. Training for volunteers is available. South Perry resident Marilyn Larson spoke about being a volunteer for Care Cars. She has been a volunteer for 9-10 years. General discussion: The number of volunteers needed, generally try to reduce overlap of Spokane Transit Authority (STA) with Care Cars, drivers can only take a client once a week, many riders are seniors with macular degeneration.

### **IX. FOLLOW-UP FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

There was no follow up from previous meetings

### **X, NEW BUSINESS**

Keep in mind that our annual meeting in October. We usually have a larger meeting, and its possible to invite members of City Council to meet and discuss.

### **VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CLOSING**

There were no announcements. Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm.

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*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Deb Ritter, SPBNA Secretary*