

Minutes of ONDNA Meeting of September 7, 2023

Meeting convened at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

Board Members Present: Dave DeYoung, Melody Boyer, Marnelle Gleason, Gerrit Mulholland

Unable to Attend: Elma Gardner, Karen Gellen

Others Present: Jennifer Figueroa, John Meyer, Karen Moore, Lou Fox

Review and Approval of Agenda: Angela Willson requested to add the well lot as an agenda item. Agenda with addition approved.

Minutes: Minutes of ONDNA meeting of August 10, 2023 unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Marnelle reported that the Treasurer's binder which holds bank statements and the ONDNA checkbook was located. Dave DeYoung, the newly elected Board President, will need to provide his signature on the account at First Northern Bank.

Police Department and Community Advisory Board Report:

Angela Willson reported that the Police department has not held any recent meetings.

Neighbors Night Out, October 15, 2023:

Dave DeYoung asked if there was any interest in this activity. Old North Davis would need a person to spearhead the gathering. Marnelle Gleason stated she would be willing to start the process of organizing the event. Dave DeYoung, Melody Boyer, and Jennifer Figueroa volunteered to help set up. Lou Fox suggested that he could create tables from saw horses if tables were needed. Possible locations were discussed as the gathering place for Old North Davis neighbors. Suggestions were the Hattie Weber Museum, the Lyda Williams Memorial Park, blocking off certain streets, etc. Marnelle, Melody, and Jennifer will decide upon the location.

Neighborhood Projects:

Dave announced there was no new information available on the Hibbert property development, the Lumberyard.

The future of the Davis Joint Unified School District property is a topic for discussion. Dave DeYoung was contacted by the DJUSD Superintendent Matt Best to suggest residents in OND who would like to be on a committee to discuss this matter. Dave DeYoung and Angela Willson agreed to be the representatives of OND on this committee. The first meeting will be on September 18, 2023 with two more meetings to be planned in October. This committee will discuss the future development of the property and establish principles regarding the development.

### Discussion:

There was an inquiry about where the school district departments will be relocated. This is currently unknown. Parking is a big concern if the property is developed into residential units.

John Meyer discussed the process of putting together a proposal regarding the disposal of public property. The point was made that if the Davis Joint Unified School District retains ownership of the property then they can restrict residency. This could possibly mean that the development will be residential units restricted for district teachers. As an aside, the Lumberyard development also has the option of restricting residency. Mention was made there are limitations of the city's purview of the development of the DJUSD property. State laws also come into play.

### Creation of subcommittee on revising OND parking district:

Dave DeYoung, Gerrit Mulholland, Angela Willson and Karen Moore will start looking into this process. Gerrit Mulholland suggested that the committee first create a proposal of what is envisioned for the parking district. A suggestion was made that the proposal be about principles. One path to start this process is for the committee to meet with Public Works to formulate ideas for the parking district. Another possible approach would be for the committee to first brainstorm, meet with Public Works regarding established protocols, develop a proposal, and then present it to ONDNA before presenting it to Public Works.

### Future Meetings – Zoom or Hybrid:

Dave DeYoung met with city staff member Carrie Dyer about the possibility of using the Hattie Weber Museum as the future meeting site for ONDNA. If ONDNA would like to stream the meetings live, via Zoom, the WIFI at the museum is not viable. However, the city agreed to get the network working so that this can be an option. Dave did set up a standing reservation for ONDNA meetings at the museum, but for now, the next several meetings will most likely be via Zoom.

### Well Lot – added agenda item:

The well lot is the area behind the Lyda Williams Memorial. The lot is irrigated but it is a Public Works property. Angela Willson suggested that perhaps ONDNA could work on turning it into a community garden with raised garden boxes. This could also be a gathering place of OND neighbors who share interests in gardening. Angela will check with the neighbors on either side of this area to find out if there would be objections, and if they would be agreeable to having this area as a garden. If there are no objections, Angela offered to work with the Public Works department about the feasibility of turning it into a community garden.

### Pending:

There are many pending items for discussion and/or action. One is whether there is interest in resuming the progressive dinner event. This will be discussed at a later meeting. Other pending items will be tabled for future meetings.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Melody Boyer, Secretary.

