ELNA Meeting 11/10/25 Called to order at 7:03

Happy Birthday to Shane Shalinsky Big #18.

Attendees: Khoa Lamb, Danika Lamb, Phil Collison (Secretary), Sacie Lambertson (B), Sarah Norman, Joe Bickford, Nancy Overmyer, Julie Proffit, Darrel Proffit (B), KT Walsh (B), Lane Eisenbart (Coordinator), Barry Shalinsky (Prez), Krista Gentry (BZ), John Thornburg, Pam Blackburn (B)

Approve the minutes and agenda? KT moves, Darrel 2nds, All in favor? Yes.

Board Elections, Lane runs this. We are uncontested. Maximum of 14, we will move forward voting the slate consisting of Barry Shalinsky, Pam Blackburn, Phil Collison, Sacie Lambertson, Darrel Proffitt, Brenda Nunez, Krista Gentry, Max Wilcox, Courtney Shipley, Sarah Norman, and Jan Butin. Suzan Hampton is not on the board this year.

Pam moves we accept the slate, Sacie 2nds, all in favor of the slate. Yes. All of us.

Officer elections. Current are Barry Prez, KT VP, Phil Secretary, Aaron Treasurer. Barry moves to support Darrel as new prez, KT VP, Phil Sec, Aaron Treasurer. Barry moved, Pam 2nds., all in favor were. Barry will finish out this meeting and Darrel will commence.

Information and discussion items:
Holiday adopt-a-family. We will work through the Ballard Center to find our family. We want a larger family. 6 or more. We have had response from folks wishing to donate. We can buy gifts, give money, or gift cards. We'll shop as needed. We'll have a wrapping party at Aaron's at 835 Mass st at a date/time TBD. Q. Do they get a tree? A: We're not sure. Could be fun. The optimists club at Checker's donates many trees.

Local elections and changing landscapes. There are 2 new commissioners starting in January. The top vote getter in EL was Mike Courtney and across the City by 500 votes. Kristine Polian was 2nd in both places. Bart came in 3rd in the neighborhood but Schumm won 3rd across the City. We were in sync with the City, unusually. Darrel says he met with Mike and Kristine for coffee. He told them he was glad they won and we look forward to working with them. They did, too.

School board. Shannon Kimball was the big winner. Kelly Jones was 2nd. She (Kelly) lives in Barker. 3rd place was Matt Lancaster although it was very close. They are still counting ballots. Bob Byers came in 4th and is being considered for the replacement b/c someone resigned. 25% of folks voted. Some said "only" 25% voted. Based on the campaign finance reports they all got support from the same folks that have supported the incumbants.

ELNA meeting location for 2026. Lane? We have filled out the paper work for January through May. We are working with Samantha Saltz. And the Yart Sale will be March 28th. Our backup meeting place will be Sure Footing bodyworks at 407 or so e. 9th. (Narramore's / Do's Deluxe complex). We might be able to use NY School in the summer. We'll work it out.

LFK Press printed our signs and we are working with them to put little stickers reflecting our new location on our signs rather than buy new ones.

LAN proposal for a neighborhood budget from the City. We are working with LAN to come up with a proposal for how to allocate the money that the City has set aside for neighborhoods ($5,000). The City set it up without a mechanism to distribute the money. So we're working on a plan for that. We meet tomorrow.

Hobbs Park. They had a fundraising movie at Lib Hall – Field of Dreams – and it was lightly attended. Hobbs Park is at 11th and Delaware. The stadium was built in the 1940's. It is a cultural and historic gem. We're trying to raise money to refurbish it. Shooting for National Register of historic places as well as the state register. That will get taxpayer credits based on that listing and should be able to sell those tax credits.

Residential Preservation Committee. We haven't met for a bit.

ELNA Neighborhood Plan is still on a back burner.

Infrastructure updates. Brick sidewalks are becoming Concrete on Connecticut. About 20% will remain brick. 12th street from South park to Oregon St. is next. We don't think this work is being done in the spirit of the new brick policy that was adopted recently by the City. The 600 block alley b/t CT and Rhode Island is being re-done. The rumor is that the alley in the 700 block is next. The City did not notify anyone. That goes against the policies of the City that require notifications for block party closures by neighborhoods.

Affordable Housing. The CC deferred their discussion on this?

Demolitions. 1305 Penn is slated. The houses are gone at 13th and NY. There are a few others slated. Dragon's Horde at 11th and Penn is slated for demolition and there are murals there. Those murals are going to NY School. Mostly these will become large single houses. 900 Pennsylvania will be re-done on the same footprint. That house on CT street (900 block) is being rehabbed. We thought it was in pretty bad shape when some of us toured it.

701 Rhode Island is under construction. They're building the new "dental housing" there. There is a right of appeal for any decision by the HRC but we didn't know that there was an opportunity for that. The HRC administrator didn't know that, either. That angle is being pursued. We won't make that mistake again. And we will try and make the City remember that, too. There will be some parking with these townhomes. Parking Permits may not include the 700 block of Rhode Island.

Coalition for Collab Govt. They are working on an Affordable housing initiative.

Alphabet soup. Central had their fun run but we have to find a way to donate to it. They were not responsive. Pam moves we donate $100 and Darrel 2nds. We defined what those alphabet soup letters are. Many of them.

Other business. Maybe we could do another board training session? That's up to Darrel. What would good topics be?

Officer reports. Prez report was given. Prez sez thank you to members and board members for your help. Thanks Darrel for taking over. Thanks to you Barry for being a big help over your tenure.

Treasurer's Report from Aaron, I will get it from his email. Here it is: "ELNA Balance this morning (Nov. 10 is $6843.05. This includes recent newsletter and coordinator payouts. The most recent expenses were Minute man Press for $727.70, post office $184.89, Coordinator Pay of $600, and Merchandise expenses of $781.85). We don't have any big expenses other than newsletter & coordinator leading up to our late March Yart Sale fundraiser. *I would caution against spending much beyond that until funding from the city is established and we have a successful Yart Sale fundraiser. (could be affected by weather and what not.)*"

No VP report. Lane (coordinator report)> Jean Ann is having a moving sale Nov. 14, 15 and 16th all weekend, at her house on CT in the 1100 block on the west side. Lane wants to have a popup sale before Christmas.

Adjourn. At 8:29