

AGENDA / MINUTES

Wards 1 & 8 NPA Steering Committee

October 20, 2021 5:15 pm

Join Zoom Meeting (Host: Jonathan)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2437840866?pwd=eWdQRGNnZzhVK29ib1lnWHdRM25DUT09>

Meeting ID: 243 784 0866 Passcode: 18

Facilitator: Jonathan Chapple-Sokol Recorder: Carol Livingston

Attendees: Tom Derenthal, Hannah King, Keith Pillsbury

Reflect on October 13 Meeting

Technology - what worked, what didn't

Hannah: Online audio was an issue sometimes. She would love having the chat function to check in with online attendees. We need to be at the in-person site half an hour ahead to set up. Need a balance of in-person and online people being able to speak.

At start of meeting, outline guidelines. H. could also announce speaker order.

Mics for in-person meetings - Jonathan has them and can bring them. J. send H. a picture of the directions. Hopefully we can use them next time. Mics have to connect into equipment. Library room - has less than the equipment at the Y. Library has WiFi. **Jonathan will talk with Mary / Barbara at the library.**

Need: one laptop plus additional speaker.

CEDO had camera and mic in middle of room.

Very difficult for us to figure out the technology every meeting - can CEDO help figure this out? Try to chat with Kirsten who is familiar with all the NPA's and their systems. **Tom will call Kirsten to get information to help us;** perhaps check in with Phet.

Purchasing our own broadcasting equipment is very expensive. We could use Sharon Bushor room, even though it's not in our wards. We need to put this room on the calendar for several months - Dec, Jan., Feb. **Jonathan will work on this.**

Agenda items (city council, school bd, ward 8 SC election, redistricting, BED) - follow up?

(Last SC meeting, we discussed speakout, facilitating more participation, adding time for

discussion - keep all this in mind? (From 9/15 SC: At beginning of meeting, welcome participants to raise issues and speak to issues that concern them. Reminder of the mission: NPA exists for space for elected officials to hear from constituents. Important that this isn't a forum for debate; it is for sharing ideas and concerns and civil discussion as well).

Hannah - went fine; always need more time for councilors and school board. If we have redistricting, avoid any additional agenda items. For communication, let readers know that someone may be missing. Important to give councilors more time.

Keith - agrees with Hannah about having enough time for presenters.

Tom - agrees with fewer topics and more time with councilors & school bd.

Increasing participation? Facebook posting regularly? Ads? What's App? After NPA meetings, post youtube access? New American VT website - Melissa Cain? AALV bulletin board?

Jonathan can post on wards 2 & 3 Friends group; check with Old East End - Carol check with Dave Cawley.

Plan Agenda for November 10 Meeting

Location:

For November: we're at the library. What additional equipment do we need? Do we know who the new CEDO liaison will be? Is parking set at the library? Meeting times from 6:45- 9:00 work for them?

Jonathan will check in with Mary about logistics.

We need to be out by 9:00.

AGENDA:

Roles: Host - Hannah Co-host - Jonathan Recorder - Tom

Introductions - 5 minutes

Speakout - 15 minutes

Hannah will remind attendees about sharing the audio space & meeting guidelines.

City Council report and questions - 15 & 10 minutes

Prepare for 5 minutes each since limited time this meeting.

Carol contact.

School Board commissioners report and questions - 5 & 5 min **Carol contact**

Redistricting Discussion - update & getting input - 40 minutes

Ask to have 5 minute update each - use balance for discussion

Carol contact

Mayor Weinberger - December 7 Ballot Items - 20 minutes

What capital item is for? \$, impact on tax rate, impact on future borrowing.

Jonathan contact this office to present - David Kunin

Localvore coupons lottery - Carol record/track names to be drawn - 5 minutes

Tasks for 11/10/21 meeting:

Setting agenda - Carol & Jonathan

Confirmation emails/agenda to presenters & CEDO & CCTV - Carol & Jonathan

FPF postings:

One East; Centennial - Jonathan

Downtown; Hill - Hannah

Next meeting:

Kesha Ram Hinsdale - Climate Action & other items - postponed until December

Brian Cina? (NOW)

In the past we have considered:

Neighborhood Project - Gillian Nanton

Standing or frequent presenters: UVM; mayor; public safety

Updates from & feedback to our state legislators

Updates from developer presenters