

REPORT ON SEHNA ANNUAL MEETING
Tuesday, October 19, 2004
Bandelier Elementary School

Board Members Attending

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Norm Gagne, President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Macpherson, Vice President |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phyllis Taylor, Treasurer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Carter, Secretary |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glenda Armstrong | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Pate |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Jane Willis | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yvette Narath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debi Dodge | |

Agenda

1. Candidates Meet and Greet (6:30-7:00)
2. Call to Order and Opening Words by Norm Gagne, President
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Nomination and Election of Board Members
5. Neighborhood Forum

Call to Order and Opening Words

Norm Gagne, SEHNA Board President, called the meeting to order and after brief opening remarks, introduced Martin Heinrich, City Councilor for District 6. (Mr. Heinrich was introduced out of order because he had to leave to attend another meeting.)

Councilor Heinrich listed various issues from last year's forum that have received action from the City Council including:

1. Vacant Buildings Ordinance passed– Albuquerque is one of few cities in nation with this
2. New water authority for managing water utility (city/county). Financed replacement of older lines. Water conservation task force (w/ Tom Rutherford)
3. Recycling will go back to weekly by end of year.
4. Impact fees under review. Martin recognized SEHNA ex-officio board member Kim Armano who represented SEHNA on the Planned Growth Strategy Task Force)
5. Motel Ordinance (Pete Dinelli) – helps city set standards for long-term stay.

Mr. Gagne then recognized Tom Rutherford, outgoing County Commissioner, who has spent 32 years in public service representing this area. Mr. Rutherford will be replaced on the County Commission by Deanna Archuleta Loeser, who is running unopposed. Mr. Rutherford urged everyone to vote early and to vote for the county bond issues, which include money for schools (cafeteria, libraries, and kindergarten rooms).

Mr. Gagne then introduced Pete Dinelli, Deputy City Attorney who answered questions about nuisance properties (Mr. Dinelli was introduced out of order, because he had to leave early due to illness.) His remarks included the following.

1. Safe City Strike Force, which includes representatives from APD, AFD, Code Enforcement, City Attorney. This group takes action on nuisance properties.
2. 60% of what they do is in District 6
3. Have already closed several hotels including Zia Motel, Royal Inn, part of American Inn
4. Have closed Blue Spruce, Rusty's, other bars that were source of numerous complaints and illegal activity
5. Took action on 621 Ridgecrest, at the request of SEHNA
6. The Strike Force will file lawsuits. They look at criminal element, code violations, give property owner a chance to be heard.
7. They look at 45-50 properties per week.
8. For resolution of various problems:
 - Steve Chavez is the Residential Code Enforcement Division Manager. He can be reached at 924-3454.
 - Ellen Concini, Zoning Code Enforcement Division Manager, 924-3850
 - Matthew Conrad, Zoning Code Enforcement, 924-3824
 - Rex Green (APD, substation) 332-5240
 - Weed & Litter, 857-8060
9. Commercial Property w/ too many cars parked in street – call Steve Chavez to send inspector; can have declared “nuisance” if the problem is bad enough. Neighbors need to file complaints.
10. City bought Blue Spruce for \$1.050m (condemnation), but let owner keep liquor license. Could not tie enough criminal activity to declare a nuisance. RFP to develop property is currently out.

Treasurer's Report

(See end of minutes for full report.) Bank balance is \$1,869.72 and Vanguard Fund balance is \$ 4,554.69 for total assets of \$6,424.41.

Norm talked about how part of the SEHNA money (Vanguard Fund) is held as an emergency reserve to be used for legal services (fighting the Tropicana Bar, for example).

After presenting the Treasurer's Report, Phyllis asked for volunteers interested in participating in a City-sponsored contest run in conjunction with the Albuquerque Alliance for Active Living. The contest involves developing a “Walking Tour” of the neighborhood. Anyone interested should contact Phyllis.

Nomination and Election of Board

Five members were up for re-election and one board member asked to step down. Current board members nominated were Richard MacPherson, John Pate, Mary Carter, Mary Jane Willis, and Yvette Narath. Debbie Stover was nominated to replace Debi Dodge, who resigned.

Nominations were accepted and all were elected by acclamation.

Neighborhood Forum on Safety and Security

Before beginning the forum, Norm introduced Herb Howell, manager of the Office of Neighborhood Coordination for the City, who was in attendance. Mr. Howell said he would help direct citizens to the appropriate person if they have an issue involving the city. He can be reached at (505)924-3914.

The panel was then introduced: City Councilor Brad Winter, Director of Capital Master Plan for APS, Nikki Dennis, Bandelier Principal, Matthew Conrad, Zoning Code Enforcement Inspector, Lucy Molina, Inspector for the SEHNA area, and Andrew Houle, Street Maintenance.

Nikki Dennis discussed safety issues, terrorism, lockdowns, and the importance of the school being a strong educational center, attracting families, being active in the neighborhood, which helps cut down on vandalism. She invited the community to use the school for community non-profit activities.

Nikki mentioned that since Bandelier has full-day kindergarten, it seems like the school is larger. \$5m in renovations are scheduled to be done. The multi-purpose facility was named after Harold Goff, former principal; kindergarten building has been proposed and plans available for public review. Also renovations are on tap for the cafeteria, kitchen, and parking lot. Criminal activity on school grounds should be reported to APS Police Dept. at 243-7712. The Bandelier Soccer Field is for community use after hours. Residents are asked to please keep dogs off!!!

Matthew Conrad, Lucy Molina, City Inspectors for Code Enforcement (Zoning) can be reached at 924-3824. They handle:

- Land use violations, commercial, residential
- Weeds, litter, illegal buildings
- Walls/fences variance

A question was asked about how to deal with “maverick” contractors who do not get proper permits for wall construction. Matthew said he can contact Building Safety.

Herb Howell (COA, Office of Neighborhood Coordination, 924-3905) spoke to the fact that neighborhood associations have no enforcement power, but can recommend and advise.

Discussion followed about how to communicate neighborhood issues and the new SEHNA web site (www.SEHNA.org). Residents were asked to bring big issues to the attention of the SEHNA board. The Board has to pick and choose the issues that are of major importance and are limited by time available to devote to issues. Residents are encouraged to take on smaller issues by contacting the appropriate city service. The Board will look into establishing an email list to send notices of various issues of interest to members.

Mark Allison, Director of Albuquerque Mental Health Housing Coalition, spoke about the rehab of the Wellesley apartments. There are 84 units on 1313 Wellesley SE by golf course for the mentally ill. The facility will do criminal background checks and provide full-time onsite managers day & night. Eighteen owner-occupied townhomes are also being built nearby. Input on the new design is welcome. Mark can be reached at 255-

3643. Andre Houle represented the City of Albuquerque Street Maintenance. They deal with traffic engineering, storm drainage, sidewalks, paving maintenance (Public Works). For traffic problems, such as speed studies, striping, speed humps, residents should call the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (Ron Hassett, 857-8000).

For street maintenance issues, call 857-8025. A discussion followed about the crosswalk on Ridgecrest at Pershing that was removed after complaints about speeders. Also the prevalence of speeders in the school zones on Carlisle and Pershing in front of the school. We need to speak to Area Command about speeding enforcement. A resident asked about lowering the speed limit to 25 on Ridgecrest. The response was that Ridgecrest is considered a collector street by MRCOG which sets street designations, so it could be difficult to lower. A number of other "traffic calming" ideas were discussed including traffic circles, speed humps, stop signs.

SEHNA will request a speed study on Ridgecrest and Carlisle and Pershing and will ask the APD Area Command to provide greater enforcement of speeding in neighborhood. However, funding is limited.

About 50 people attended the meeting, not including SEHNA board and invited guests. SEHNA received approximately 20 member renewals and two luminaria donations at the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at about 9:20 pm.

Full Treasurer's Report Follows.

SEHNA Comparative Income Statement	10/01/02-9/30/03	10/01/03-9/30/04
SEHNA CHECKING ACCOUNT		
Beginning Balance	\$ 248.08	\$ 1,723.84
INCOME		
Advertising	\$ -	\$ -
Bank Charge Reversal		\$ 6.36
Concessions	\$ -	\$ -
Donation	\$ 20.00	\$ 100.00
Donation - Luminaria Fund	\$ 1,346.00	\$ 438.00
Donation - Board Members	\$ 427.53	\$ 100.00
Loan from Board Members	\$ -	\$ -
Fundraising - Revenue	\$ 756.11	\$ 967.30
Membership Dues Payment	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,410.00
Total Income	\$ 3,849.64	\$ 3,021.66
EXPENSES		
NM Corporation Commission	\$ -	\$ 30.00
District 6 Dues	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Newsletter Printing	\$ 233.59	\$ 1,229.61
Postage	\$ 248.84	\$ 6.84
Fundraising Expense	\$ 117.94	\$ 14.86
Annual Picnic Expense	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Luminarias	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,300.00
P.O. Box Rent	\$ 76.00	\$ 76.00
Bank Fees	\$ 27.51	\$ 23.47
Repay Loan from Boardmember	\$ 300.00	\$ -
Web Site	\$ -	\$ 75.00
Total Expenses	\$ 2,373.88	\$ 2,875.78
Checking Total	\$ 1,723.84	\$ 1,869.72
VANGUARD FUND		
Beginning Balance - Vanguard Fund	\$ 4,444.00	\$ 4,534.96
Dividend Income	\$ 111.89	
Change in value due to change in share price	\$ (20.93)	
Vanguard Fund Total	\$ 4,534.96	\$ 4,554.69

SEHNA Balance Sheet	As of 9/30/03	As of 9/30/04
ASSETS		
Cash and Bank Accounts		
Wells Fargo Checking	\$ 1,723.84	\$ 1,869.72
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	\$ 1,723.84	\$ 1,869.72
Investments		
Vanguard GNMA Fund	\$ 4,534.96	\$ 4,554.69
TOTAL Investments	\$ 4,534.96	\$ 4,554.69
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 6,279.80	\$ 6,424.41
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Other Liabilities		
Friends of Hyder Park	\$ 363.28	\$ 363.28
TOTAL Liabilities	\$ 363.08	\$ 363.08
Equity	\$ 5,916.72	\$ 6,061.33
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 6,279.80	\$ 6,424.41