

**EASTERN NORWALK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**September 13, 2006
Minutes**

Board Member Attendees: Laurel Lindstrom (president), Maribeth Becker (arrives 8:20), Gordon Tully, Erik Nees, David Park, Sarah Hunter

Advisory board members: Nick Overall

Guests: (none)

1. Meeting called to order at 7:35 PM.
2. Public Participation – none.
3. Minutes
 - a. August minutes tabled to next meeting.
4. Reports
 - a. Treasurer’s Report – Gordon Tully
 - i. Annual reporting for 501k due to Secretary of State. Fee is \$25.
 - b. President’s Report – Laurel Lindstrom
 - i. Circulated flyers on upcoming workshops
5. Election of Directors
 - a. Laurel Lindstrom re-elected for another term on Board of Directors
 - b. Erik Nees re-elected for another term on Board of Directors
 - c. Marija Bryant voted onto Advisory Board specializing in Historical issues.
 - d. Nick Overall voted in to continue on Advisory Board specializing in trees and landscaping issues.
6. Bylaws
 - a. Motion passed unanimously to amend bylaws as follows:
 - i. Article VI Section 5 – Delete sentence “Not more than two-thirds of the directors with voting rights when elected shall reside on the same side of Interstate 95”.
 - ii. Article XXIII Section 1 – Change to read “The fiscal year of the ENNA shall commence on January 1 of each year and shall end on December 31 of the same year”..
7. Programs and Projects:
 - a. Watch List
 - i. Gordon explains 93 East Avenue updates. This project is still in Plan Review stage and has yet to go before Zoning Commission. NPT filed, and has been accepted as an intervener in regard to this proposed development.
 - ii. Old Gibbs College site on East Avenue: This is still in Plan Review stage.
 - iii. 73 Strawberry Hill Ave. (old Fitch school): The proposed development was last set as a 29 PRD unit. This went to Zoning but was withdrawn when determined that Conservation Commission must review and hold Public Hearing first. Public Hearing set for Sept. 26.
 - b. Mayor’s Neighborhood Preservation Committee.
 - i. 181 East Avenue. Laurel received neighbor complaint of car sales going on in the Olmstead/East Ave parking lot. City Scan checked it out, says no cars there at time of scan.
 - ii. Further discussion on East Avenue traffic problems near Exit 16. No solutions decided.

- c. Newsletter.
 - i. Sarah put out request for article ideas. Nick offered interview with MALTA House. Gordon opened discussion of local small restaurants. Laurel offered interview with Buckingham/Lockwood residents affected by flooding.
- d. CNNA Report.

Maribeth says that NPT has been accepted as intervenor for 93 East Ave. David Greene is the consultant for Street Works (the design firm for Seligson) and he wants to meet with the CNNA to discuss West Avenue. This is very well received by CNNA. He wants to create a program of communication for site development with community input. This may be held on Oct. 16.
- e. Liberty Square Neighborhood Center Improvement Project
 - ii. Laurel sent a letter to property owners to check on their interest levels at this time, and monetary commitments. She received 1 return phone call from Executive Director of Housing Authority; Curtis Law. He is supportive but cannot provide money from that office. There were no other responses to the letter. Laurel spoke with 2 shop owners and they cannot commit any money. The property owners say it's nearly impossible to get people to invest in such a project.
 - iii. Decision by ENNA is to take no more action on this proposal, and to allow it to come to its natural conclusion as directed by property owners.
- f. Trees, Landscape, ENNA Adopt-A-Spots
 - a. Nick reports that City Hall Adopt-A-Spot looks good. Tierney has had problem with radio face plates appearing. He has picked up.
 - b. Trees: There are residents on Gregory Blvd. who would like them. Methodist Church would like them, and Van Zant St could use them. Nick is working to coordinate needs in order to create a proposed budget.

8. New business – None

9. Next regular board meeting: Wednesday Oct. 11, 2006.

10. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Submitted by: Sarah Hunter