

Ward 5 NPA Meeting Agenda
November 18, 2021

(Hybrid: Department of Public Works and on Zoom)

7:00-7:20 Public Forum

7:20-7:40 City Council Update - Councilors Chip Mason and Joan Shannon

7:40-8:00 ISGOOD Neighborhood Outreach Worker proposal - Representative Brian Cina, Chittenden 6-4

8:00-8:30 State Legislative Priorities - Representatives Tiff Bluemle and Gabrielle Stebbins, Chittenden 6-5

8:30-8:50 Redistricting Update - Gregory Shepler, Redistricting AdHoc Committee Member
** Warned: will hold vote to select/approve an alternate member for the Redistricting AdHoc Committee

Zoom Info

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Meeting NOTES
Thursday, 11/18/2021
7:00 – 8:45 PM

I. Participation:

- a. Steering Committee Attendance & [Contact Information](#): Joe Dery; Scott Pavek, Andrew Simon; Ben Traverse; Lucia Campriello
- b. Total Attendees: 19

Zoom Attendance

Brian Cina	Nate Lantieri	Ruby Perry
Joe Dery	Lorelle Yee	Gabrielle Stebbins
Scott Pavek	Kolby LaMarche	Andy Simon
Joan Shannon	Bryce Healy	Michelle Veladota
Leslie Yee	Ben Traverse	Bill Keogh
Marianne Burke	Lucia Campriello	

II. Meeting Notes

- a. 7:00 -- Public Forum (your announcements, questions, brilliant ideas)
 - i. **Appeal for donations** on behalf of the Peoples Kitchen
<https://www.facebook.com/peopleskitchenvt/>
via Venmo: @peopleskitchenvt
via check: People's Kitchen; 44 Ledgemere Street, Burlington VT 05401
 - ii. **Concerns raised** surrounding 1.) Sears Lane encampment and treatment of campers alongside housing crisis; and, 2.) Higher Ground project
 - iii. **Announcement** re: Department of Public Works is looking to hire crossing guards – [visit the city's website](#) here for more information
- b. 7:20 -- City Council update ([Joan Shannon](#))

- i. **Announcement:** there are MANY positions open across the city presently – [visit the website here](#) and spread the word!
- ii. **Updates:**
 - 1. Don't forget to vote in the city's Special Election on 12/7; polls will be open from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM, or, mail your ballot in ([instructions here](#)); voters are asked to consider the following two topics: [Capital Bond](#) & [Net Zero Energy Revenue Bond](#) (Councilor Shannon supports the Net Zero Energy Revenue Bond)
 - 2. Please reach out to [Joan Shannon](#) with your input surrounding the Policy Chief hiring process, which has been suspended per a candidate pool that was smaller than desired, but that also yielded two highly qualified candidates. Options include hiring from within the current candidate pool, or, restarting the process including hiring a search firm, increasing the salary range, and more.
- c. 7:40 -- [ISGOOD Neighborhood Outreach](#) ([Brian Cina](#)) – Brian shared information about the Isham Street Gardening and Other Optimistic Doings and is sharing the presentation with all NPAs and inviting feedback!
- d. 8:00 -- What are your Legislative Priorities? ([Gabrielle Stebbins](#), [Tiff Bluemle](#)) – representatives shared their continued commitment to ensuring that government systems work for Vermonters (ie. rental and mortgage assistance; unemployment checks; etc.)
- e. 8:30 -- City Redistricting update + elect an alternate ([Greg Shepler](#)) – [access information about the redistricting process on the city's website](#) including [schedule of upcoming meetings](#) (location & zoom access) with the next upcoming meeting on 12/6 @ Miller Center, 175 Lakeside Avenue (proof of vax required); Greg has invited community members to select an alternate to serve in his absence should an alternate representative be required; Kolby LaMarche expressed interest and was selected by the group to serve as an alternate; counted 8 aye, 0 nay.

NEXT MEETING

December 16th @ 7:00 PM @ DPW, 645 Pine Street & via Zoom

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