

NENA meeting 05/13/24 at Beall Park:

I. Voting for NENA officers/ positions:

1. President: Amy Sheppard
2. Vice President: Cathy Costakis
3. Secretary: Kevin Montano
4. Inter neighborhood Council: Chris Montano

II. Police Chief: Jim Veltkamp
(Safety/Police report)

72 Police Officers in Bozeman compared to 92 in Great Falls, MT.

- Bozeman is the safest of MT cities but has the most felonies. (4,500 -5,000 per year)
- Update on new police facility on Rouse/Tamarack.
- Urban camper issue addressed
- Affordable housing issue for teachers, police, firefighters, etc. addressed.

III. Water Conservation update: Bozemanwater.com
(WC manager Jessica Ahlstrom)

1. 2013 Integrated Water Resource Plan guides further water use + recommends 50% reduction.
2. 2023 Water Conservation + Efficiency Plan.
 - water use break-down between households + yard usage

IV. Local Government Review: County Commissioner Jen Boyer and city commissioner Jen Madgic.

1. Should Bozeman adopt a different system of establishing commissioners?
 - More focus on geographical representation in our community?
2. UDC update:
 - Short term rentals (goals) trying to simplify rules and regulations.
 - What do different zoning districts mean
 - What is a zone edge transition
 - Does density create affordability
 - How are these things changing in the UDC update
 - How does Zoning affect gentrification, displacement and redevelopment
 - Loss of existing affordable housing
 - Solar access

V. NEHMU: political changes

1. How do zoning codes affect our neighborhood
 - Are changes needed to keep NEHMU current but not change our neighborhood
 - What bigger vision can be created for NEHMU going forward
 - How can code changes affect the type of community we live in (art district designation, etc)
2. Proposed neighborhood zoning map amendment

- North of Peach is R4 vs South of Peach