

## Meeting Minutes 06/30/2025

1. Welcome (President)
  - This Board Meeting doubles as a Community Organizing Meeting

2. Call to Order & Roll Call (President)

Director/Treasurer Pro Tem (exp. 2027)	Dave Blankenbeckler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Director (exp. 2027)	Julie Emo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
President/Director (exp. 2026)	Fritz Foss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vice President/Director (exp. 2025)	Jason Kruse	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Director (exp. 2025)	Dan Mispagel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	OPEN	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Kirsten Mispagel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3. Neighborhood Group Leaders Association (NGLA) Presentations – 75 min.
  - Morgan Lundy, Neighborhood Resource Specialist – 45 min.

### Resources available to the community:

- conflict resolution,
- resource navigation (e.g. avoid eviction, figure out how to pay bills),
- various teams/committees including
  - o network of neighborhood groups NGLA
  - o Neighborhood Leadership Series (NLS) classes typically 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of month, the latter usually covering a HOA topic.
  - o Sustainable Opportunities, Lifestyles and Leadership Program offers visit from a volunteer to offer guidance on these topics within your home.

A Community is a group of people with common interests; a neighborhood is physical space in which people live.

Neighborhood group different from HOA group (latter is a legal entity).

### NGLA overview:

- Around for ~40 years.
- Partnership between City and neighborhood groups.
- Resources for neighborhood events. Available - Table, chairs, canopies, printing fliers, signs, A/V equipment, etc.
- Network of neighborhood groups.
- Meetings usually 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month, 6:30-8:30 pm at Senior Center.
  - o “What’s Happening in Longmont” including landscape conservation, Mayor represents the City Council and provides city updates, police officer gives public safety updates.
- Neighborhood group needs NGLA representative(s) to
  - o share information between NGLA and neighborhood, coordinate activities, encourage participation, establish committees as necessary, network with other neighborhood groups.
- Neighborhood group needs to

- be inclusive of whole community,
- have an annual meeting to elect NGLA representatives,
- keep up with annual registration,
- have someone attend at least two NGLA meetings per year,
- represent community's interests and work with City.
- Benefits: improve quality of life, sense of community, feeling of safety, open communication with City, access to event resources, funding for activities and projects through grants.

#### NGLA Grants

- Neighborhood Activity Fund (NAF)
  - Two application periods, Spring (April 1 – August 31) and Fall (September 1- October 31).
  - Amounts up to \$400.00.
  - Cannot use funds for political activities or purchasing alcohol.
  - Funds left unspent in first period available in second period.
  - Expenses must be paid first then submitted for reimbursement.
  - To qualify, must be officially registered with NGLA and attend 2 monthly meetings during the year.
  - No matching requirement.
- Neighborhood Improvement Project (NIP)
  - Neighborhood improvement projects up to \$25,000.00 per grant. Have a year to use funds (need to double check).
  - To qualify, must be officially registered with NGLA for a full year and attend 7 monthly meetings during that year.
  - Attending an NLS class could potentially qualify grant for a bonus.
  - 25-30% neighborhood matching funds and/or in-kind (project labor, material, etc.) contributions makes proposed project more competitive.
  - No grants for maintenance.
  - Two committees will evaluate project proposals. Must make a presentation to committees.
  - Total grant money available \$50,000.00/year (need to double check). ~40% of neighborhoods are NGLA members.
  - Proposal writing seminars and process help available.
  - Rolling application/proposal submission any time, review every other month.
  - Look for ways to leverage the grant for water conservation or other projects.
  - Access to website.
- Tax treatment of grants?

#### NIP Grant Process Items Summary

- Two committees for evaluating and approval
- Proposal and presentation
- Guidelines - Contact Guillermo Estrada Riviera

- Schedule a meeting
- Proposal writing seminars for the grant

Action Item (Fritz) – post NGLA/NLS website links to Association website on Education page.

- Hope Bartlett, Longmont Water Conservation Specialist – 30 min.

Colorado is one of two states that is a “Head Water State”, meaning all water originates in the state and flows out, no water flows in. Other is Hawaii.

City has water waste ordinance 14.04.490.

Discussed upcoming Colorado legislation SB 24-005 which prohibits “non- functional turf” (natural or artificial). Also, HB 25-1113.

City to ban “non-functional” artificial grass.

Desire native water wise landscaping that is also fire resistant.

“Resource Central” resourcecentral.org and “Efficiency Works”

- “Slow the Flow” Irrigation Evaluation free to homeowners yearly
- Garden in a box discounts, plant by number
- Waterwise Gardening, landscaping meetings
- Turf replacement program (\$1/sqft, City matches \$2/sqft)
- Indoor and outdoor water conservation items rebate, e.g. irrigation equipment.

Recommend watering 2 days/week, 3 times/day for 6 minutes or 2 times/day for 10 minutes.

Information/Resources: smart meters here (with excessive usage push notifications coming), northernwater.org, waterwiseyards.org, plantselect.org/hoa-resources, bit.ly/water-rebates.

4. NGLA Votes – 15 min. (actually taken before Hope’s presentation)

- to form neighborhood group,

Vote “yes”

- choose/confirm its geographic boundaries,

Vote “yes” to approve previous boundaries

- register with NGLA,

Vote “yes”

- elect neighborhood NGLA representatives.

One year commitment - Julie Emo, Dan Mispagel, Nina Tobias

Add NGLA Community meeting to HOA meeting or a separate meeting, TBD

5. Owners Forum – 10 min.

No speakers

6. Meeting Minutes Approvals – 10 min.

- **MOTION/VOTE:** approve March 31, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion, Second, Passed Unanimously

- **MOTION/VOTE:** approve April 30, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion, Second, Passed Unanimously

- **MOTION/VOTE:** approve May 29, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

Vote moved to HOA meeting July 24, 2025

Adjourn