

# Embudo Canyon Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting

February 15<sup>th</sup> 2025

## Agenda:

- Welcome
- Information and survey boards
- Introduction of Special Guests
- Treasurer's Report
- Embudo Canyon NA Accomplishments
- Election of Officers and Board members
- Questions
- Adjournment

Julie Dreike, ECNA President opened meeting introducing board members and announced Joel Hargrave's retirement as Vice President of the board and thanked him for his long-standing service on the board. Great turn out with just over 40 residents.

## Special Guests:

1. Rachel Miller, representative for Renee Grout [rrmiller@cabq.gov](mailto:rrmiller@cabq.gov) Cell: 505-318-9511
2. Sergeant Guy Abbatantuono, Officer Barela, Hernandez and Crime Prevention Specialist, Samantha, from Foothills Command Center
3. Jonathan Donovan from Open Space
4. Mayor's office field representative Angelica Romero [angelicaromero@cabq.gov](mailto:angelicaromero@cabq.gov) 505-549-0533

**Rachel Miller-Representative for Renee Grout.** Renee is really sorry she can't be here and shares the following updates on her behalf:

- New wildlife fire truck will be in production end of March. It is smaller and more nimble than the traditional fire truck and can get behind houses backed against open space. This is especially crucial in light of recent fires in CA.
- Highlighted recent funds allocated to the new rock install to keep the weeds down on Indian School and Monte Largo.
- Last year, Rep Meredith Dixon and Senator Martin Heinrich set aside 150k of capital funding towards new improvements and playground equipment at the Embudo Hills park. The money arrives in October. Councilor Grout has promised to match that amount and Parks & Rec are working on design now. Construction expected to begin in early 2026 as it takes a while for playground equipment to be ordered.
- Embudo trailhead parking area -Three solar, motion sensor lights will be installed. Cost approx. 27k. Money allocated from state grant (15k) and Councilor Grout will match that.
- City purchased the property on East side of Tramway (old feed store) and will be turned into an education center for school groups and develop sensory trail that highlights touch, smell and encourages exploring. Even possibly a treehouse!

Q: Who was involved in the decision in the striping design on Indian School East of Tramway? Concerns were raised that it is giving preference to bikes, not safe, can easily swerve into bike lane when two cars are on the road.

A: Rep Rachel was not aware, neighbor showed photo. Encouraged neighbors to email her with concerns and she will forward to the appropriate department.

Julie took a moment in between guests to recognize local realtor, Dawn Redwine for donated gift card for door prizes.

Dawn shared she lives in this area so if you see signs blown over or not appropriately placed in the ground she will help take care of it. Encouraged attendance to outings like movie night, national night out and other events. Contact: [dawn@redwine-realty.com](mailto:dawn@redwine-realty.com) 505-933-4337

**Officers and Samatha from Foothills Command** -They shared their jurisdiction is everything East of Eubank, and city limit to city limit North to South. Shared history of calls over the last 90-days specifically for Embudo Canyon Neighborhood Association, though it is important to note the map also includes back of Tramway as the association border.

Total calls for service the last 90 days:

- 376 total

- 235 of which were proactive traffic stops.

- 8 were property crimes.

- 6 shots fired calls-3 confirmed with shots fired technology fired calls. Possibly from New Year's because there were no incoming shooting calls to match those calls. Most likely shots in the air.

To view crime in area: Go to [cabq.gov](http://cabq.gov) >type crime map in the search field bar>click on link>filter to area you want to view

Q: Will we be ticketed for traveling in the bike lane if have to swerve with another car?

A: They have not received any information about that and can't guarantee if they will/will not cite you for traveling in bike lane.

Q: is it legal for vendors to sell stuff on the side of the road of Tramway, firewood for example? Do they have to have a permit?

A: Most have permits. We periodically check. They don't need a particular address on those permits so they're able to be mobile.

Q: What can be done about cars who park at the top of Indian School and on Manual during no parking hours between 10:00pm to 6:00am? People leave their parking lights, engage in suspicious activity and by the time police respond they are not there anymore.

A: APD does patrol and has police service aides to address those issues and they have the ability to issue citations. Will have more presence during swing shift. Officers suggested that if you call to report suspicious activity and the person leaves, do not call the police department back to cancel the call. The police dept won't be able to track it.

**Jonathan Donovan from Open Space**- Echoed concerns with fire safety. Recommended several things to help prevent fires:

- \*Keep fuel sources away from house
- \*Keep firewood 6 ft away from house ornament plants.
- \*Don't dump yard waste over the wall to the open space.
- \*Keep trees and bushes trimmed

- Clearing native grass invites invasive species which are huge fuel sources. If you see something growing contact 311 so it can be cleared.
- Pickup after your pets- domestic dog waste carries more pathogens like e-coli. It's benign in them but dried poop gets into drain and down to the river. Open Space tries to keep up with poop bags but if you are interested in adopting a trail and refilling bag stations or volunteering for any events visit [cabq.gov/openspace](http://cabq.gov/openspace).
- Next event: April 12<sup>th</sup> Foothills Annual Spring pickup. E-mail superintendent Jim Sattler [jsattler@cabq.gov](mailto:jsattler@cabq.gov) if interested in any other trail volunteer opportunities.

Q: Who do we call for motorized vehicles in the open space?

A: Call 242-Cops because Open Space doesn't have reinforcement capabilities and it's a moving fire hazard in general so those need to be reported.

Comment: Neighbors mentioned the roadway on top of Indian School East the gate. The way it was developed it causes hidden spots.

Response: It was designed to mitigate flooding as much as possible, but he agreed it is difficult to navigate. Jonathan did highlight work that has been done to further mitigate flooding/landslides such as building dams. Call 311 to report debris in roadway.

**Angelica Romero- Mayor Keller's office.** Each representative is assigned three districts and she's assigned to ours as the liaison for added level of support. Neighbors can contact her with concerns if 311 is slow to respond or need help push out communication to appropriate areas. Angelica shared that she understands there's some concerns with Ordinance 2469 (*Amending The Integrated Development Ordinance Regarding Applicability, Appeals, Amendment Processes And Easing Restrictions On Housing Development*) Neighborhood Associations do not think it is fair to pay legal fees if an association or individual appeals a development because it doesn't meet regulations. Added Amendment to remove from bill. More updates will be sent out as they develop.

Neighbors encouraged Angelica to drive up Indian School to see the striping to see the narrow driving lane in person.

Comment: Group shared feedback about when you enter a request through 311- Every request gets an auto generated email saying that "your request has been closed" minutes after it was submitted. Builds frustration in the community that voices are not being heard. Suggestion to edit the response to: "We received your response and routing it to the appropriate department for review. "

Response: Will take that message back to mayor's office

Financial Report-Presented by Dan Troy

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Flow Statement

**January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**

	Checking	Savings	Combined
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 343.17</b>	<b>\$ 4,043.84</b>	<b>\$ 4,387.01</b>
Dues Received	40.00	650.00	690.00
Interest Income		4.30	4.30
Transfers	400.00	(400.00)	-
NNO Expenses	(59.20)		(59.20)
USPS PO Box Rental	(200.00)		(200.00)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ 523.97</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,298.14</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,822.11</u></b>

**January 1, 2025 to February 14, 2025**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 523.97</b>	<b>\$ 4,298.14</b>	<b>\$ 4,822.11</b>
Dues Received		140.00	140.00
Interest Income		0.37	0.37
Transfers			
NNO Expenses	(91.41)		\$ (91.41)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ 432.56</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,438.51</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,871.07</u></b>

**Footnotes**

**1. Additional Expenses.** During the period covered by this statement, some board members incurred and paid for club expenses, for which they did not seek reimbursement. These include costs of supplies for the Easter Egg Hunt, National Night Out, various clean up projects, and State fee. The amounts are not considered to be material to an understanding of the activities association.

Julie went over slides

Why is it important to become a member?

- Opportunity to speak with city leaders
- Partner with Vista Mundo Association on Events
- Strength in numbers when issues arise

Election of Board:

Treasurer (confirming)

Secretary (confirming)

Open Position: Vice president-No volunteers, will be confirmed at a later date.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Website Management

Neighborhood Clean Up

New Neighbor Greeter

Elections needed to be confirmed for treasurer and secretary since positions were joined mid-term. We also need help with membership recruitment . Sought motion to elect two mentioned positions. Cammie Arrington for secretary Dan Troy name for treasurer. No opposed.

Meeting adjourned.

Meeting minutes taking by Cammie Arrington

Attachments: Results from Survey

Results of feedback boards from Annual meeting February 15, 2025

What do you want from your Neighborhood Association or from your neighbors?

Information on zoning--4

Information on ordinance changes made by City Council—5

How to fill a concern/complaint on a city or county issue.--3

How to follow up on a concern/complaint.--3

How to access crime information--0

Best way to communicate with me is

--email to members of ECNA--7

--NextDoor to those signed up for NextDoor--1

--Posting on ECNA Website--0

I like that ECNA has posted on NextDoor and emailed members when the fall and spring yard waste pick up is done. Yes—6, No--1

I have attended the National Night Out once or more in the last 3 years.

Yes—4, No--4

I have attended the Easter Egg Hunt once or more in the last 3 years.

Yes—1, No--5

I would like more social events to get to know my neighbor.

--Night at the library--1

--Event with the Cops--2

--Events with our City Councilor--4

--Book club--2

--Hiking group--1

--Check on a neighbor program--1

--Programs for children/families--0

My neighbor can build a wall as high as they want on any side of their property?

True—1, False—6 (Correct answer is false, Integrated Development Ordinance includes regulations on wall height)

I don't need a permit to build a wall?

True—0, False—7 (Correct answer is false, Integrated Development Ordinance includes information on permits for walls.)

I can park a vehicle in my front yard?

True-1, False—5 (Correct answer is false. To park in the front requires improvements to the parking area. Vehicles cannot be parked on grass/landscaping.)

I don't have to pick up dog poop in the Open Space because it is no different than wild animal waste?

True—0, False—7 (Correct answer is false. Pets can carry diseases not found in wild life. Pet food has preservatives which case pet waste to not break down like wild animals. If left behind, pet waste can be carried by rain or run off to the streams untreated.)

I have been directly affected by crime in Albuquerque?

Yes—3, No--5

I know someone who has been directly affected by crime in Albuquerque?

Yes—5, No--3

If I see water waste on a property I:

--tell the neighbor directly--5

--I leave a note on their door

--I call to report the problem--1