

**SPRING HARBOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING  
7:00 P.M. Tuesday, July 14, 2015  
Dale Heights Church**

Board members in attendance: Greg Hull, Bill Fitzpatrick, Jeanette Tierney, Stan Fuka, Shary Bisgard, Barb Schultz-Becker, Aaron Crandall, Mary Beth Dunning

Others in attendance: Faith Fitzpatrick, Alice Erickson, Herman Felstehausen, Paul Lenhart (Krupp Construction) and representatives from UW Health

**Approved Minutes**

1. Approval of June meeting minutes

Approved, as submitted.

2. Treasurer's Report – Bill Fitzpatrick

Bill reviewed his written report, which did not show 4<sup>th</sup> of July expenses (still to be submitted).

3. Establishment of “Friends of Merrill Spring” group? – Faith Fitzpatrick & Alice Erickson

Faith and Alice presented the idea of forming an interest group to promote the preservation and protection of historic Merrill Spring. They said they had productive meeting with Eric Knapp, the new Madison Parks supervisor, and that he was receptive to the idea.

After a short discussion about developing a master plan and improvements to include in the plan; possible fundraising efforts and outreach; and a review of ideas already discussed about protecting the spring and the area around it, there were no objections from the board members present. Faith and Alice were encouraged to come up with a mission statement to help guide the group. They will return with more information about the group in the near future.

4. Fourth of July parade & picnic review

There was a general agreement that the picnic, games and parade went well and that more people, especially kids, participated than in previous years. Barb said that the quality of the game prizes had been upgraded. Mary Beth Dunning reported that about \$76.00 had been collected in fire truck and fire works donations, thanks to Noel Pearson's efforts. Dignitaries in the parade

were Mark Clear, Terese Berceau and Fred Risser. Mary Beth also reported that after the parade, members of the History Committee interviewed Senator Risser, while sitting on the porch of his family's homeplace on Risser Road in Indian Hills, about his growing up in the area and how the area has changed over the past decades.

#### 5. Purchase of signs for Labor Day Jazz Picnic and tent for future events

There was a discussion about having signage made to advertise this event. Jeanette will check on cost of signs similar to the Garden Club plant sale signs. As a follow-up to the discussion at the last board meeting about the rental of the middle school gym as a back-up location in case of rain, Mary Beth presented the cost (includes hourly fee for custodian and gym rental). The group decided that this cost was too much and that the church basement was a suitable alternate space for less cost. Mary Beth will call Dick Corey about the use of the church.

There was a short discussion about the purchase of a tent to protect the musicians and their instruments in case of rain. Aaron advocated buying 10 x 20 with walls, but will send out an email with more options. Jeanette Tierney asked if the purchase needed to go before the membership for a vote but it was decided that it was not necessary and since there was no general membership meeting before the event. There was a discussion about the donation of a tent by Bill Fitzpatrick. There was general agreement to accept the donation. Aaron will still send out email with more tent options since there was agreement that it would be a good idea to have two tents for events. Someone reminded that group that Jeff Schneider at a previous meeting had offered to store the tent.

#### 6. Request from UW Health

Paul Lenhart, of Krupp Development and developer of University Crossing, was at the meeting with representatives from UW Health, to present a proposed plan for two temporary surface parking lots to be built on an undeveloped area of University Crossing. These two lots will accommodate 300 parking spaces (basically a commuter lot) that UW Health is losing at the Hill Farm State Office Building complex in October. Plans presented included two bio-retention features to address the issues of storm water run-off, water quality, and the wellhead protection of Well 14. The parking areas were presented as not permanent and will be replaced with buildings and a multi-level parking structure as the development builds out and parking requirements change.

Questions from board members and Herman focused on storm water management, the permanency of the surface lots, increased traffic in the area, snow removal and increased use of salt related to Well 14 saline-level issues,

a timeline for building the parking lots and plans for replacing with a permanent parking structure.

Shary Bisgard asked if a change in the GDP was needed for the surface lots. Herman Felstehausen suggested that Mr. Lenhart send a written summary of the parking lot project to the Board after he meets with city zoning staff. Herman and Aaron Crandall asked if the employees were going to be encouraged to use public transportation or bicycles; a hospital representative said that most of the employees, because of their schedules, will use a shuttle bus that will run frequently between the hospital and University Crossing.

#### 7. Development Update – Herman Felstehausen

The new owner of the Original Pancake House wants to update the restaurant's sign on University Avenue, to include the franchise graphic. Greg forwarded the owner's email about this to board members. No objections were voiced. Changes have to adhere to the city sign ordinance.

#### 8. City Alder Report – Mark Clear

Mark reported that the pumping station in Marshall Park is being replaced. Other upgrades include a boat wash and the restroom.

#### 9. County Supervisor Report—Jeremy Levin

None.

#### 10. Should we schedule a second meeting for input on the new 5404 LMD Plan? - Discussion

There was general agreement that the revised building plans warrant another meeting with the neighborhood. Jeanette said neighbors would like to see the new plans and to see how concerns were addressed. The size of the house still a concern, even though some of the house is now below ground. There was agreement that Mark Clear should organize the meeting and send out the invitation to the neighborhood. Greg will talk to Mark about scheduling the meeting.

#### 10. Other Business

Jeanette asked if the Board would fund a portion of the cost of printing a few extra pages of upcoming issue of newsletter to print the history of the Indian Hills Garden Club that Ann Sowaske wrote to commemorate its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Jeanette will get an estimated cost. No formal action was taken.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday, August 11

Minutes submitted by Mary Beth Dunning

