

**SPRING HARBOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (SHNA)**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M. Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2017**  
**Dale Heights Church**

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

1. Introductions and roll call

- a. Board members in attendance: Liz Freitick, Janet Loewi , Aaron Crandall, Bill Fitzpatrick, Stan Fuka, Mary Beth Dunning, Barbara Schultz-Becker
- b. Others in attendance: Herman Felstehausen, Jeremy Levin, Mark Clear, Tyler Leeper (Marshall Boats), Matt Parnell (5200 Lake Mendota Dr.)
- c. Notified absence: Jussi Snellman

2. Guest: Tyler Leeper, Marshall Boats

Tyler Leeper, owner of Brittingham Boats (Brittingham Park) and Wingra Boats (Wingra Park) gave a bit of history about the growth of his business and described an expansion in Marshall Park with the opening Marshall Boats this summer.

- a. Has an eight-year agreement with the city, which will be reviewed every two years. Tyler said he will be the day-to-day manager for the first year.
- b. Barb asked Tyler if he has approval to build on the site. Tyler said no and that he would be operating out of the beach house
- c. Marshall Boats will be taking care of the restrooms in the park as part of the agreement.
- d. Will be putting in piers; has approval of the DNR.
- e. Jeremy asked if there was reserved parking; there will not be.
- f. Barb remarked that she foresees conflicts between user groups, which led to a brief discussion about all the different users of the park, in particular groups using the picnic shelter and private boat owners.

Tyler said he would like to come back next year and give report on how things went the first year. There was general agreement that this was a good idea. Tyler can be reached at [tyler@madisonboats.com](mailto:tyler@madisonboats.com).

3. Guest: Matt Parnell, 5200 Lake Mendota Drive

New owner of the property, Mark presented plans to remodel the house and put on an addition (under 500 sq. ft.). Mark Clear commented that the changes are considered a minor alternation to the existing conditional use since the addition is

under 500 sq. ft., which is the threshold for calling it a minor alteration, so the plans just need his alder approval and did not have to go to the Plan Commission.

There were questions about:

- 1) Landscaping plans (Herman)
  - a. Bill mentioned the existing vegetation has affected site lines where the road curves.
  - b. There will be screening for privacy since right on the road.
  - c. Will be taking down two cedar trees and taking down a tree that is hanging over the deck and the property next door.
- 2) Soil condition (Herman)—The owner said it was not known.
- 3) Reuse of materials—The owner said that they will be reusing if possible. Herman asked if the owner if he had to go back and show Zoning what has been preserved. [What was the answer?]
- 4) Height of structure (Herman) —Not going over current height.
- 5) Talk to neighbors? (Bill) —The property owner stated that he had talked just to the next door neighbor. Mark said he will be sending his recommendation email. Herman suggested that the minutes show that the property owners attended this meeting and presented plans for the addition and that no concerns were voiced and there were no objections to the Alder recommending the plans.

4. Alder Report—Mark Clear

- a. Mark commented that Merrill Spring was running strong because Well 14 is turned off (he said the system is interconnected, so water is coming from all over town), and also because the underground water is at a level high.
- b. Janet asked why the salt level of Well 14 is going up so fast. Herman explained that the well is in a huge drainage basin that Spring Harbor is at the bottom of and there is higher infiltration. It is also due to the high rate of salt application on the roads and the large hard surface areas in the area (roads and parking lots). He said that lack of curb and gutter is not the problem and the city is trying to figure out how to fix (well testing going on now). Herman added that the City is running out of places to site wells and the future may be a metropolitan water district.
- c. Mark said someone is looking to occupy the old Taco Bell location and wants some sort of drive-thru, but is at an impasse with City regarding the plans.

5. County Supervisor Report—Jeremy Levin

- a. Jeremy said that on Thursday there will be a presentation on the Alliant Energy Center remodeling plans, which he said will be closer to the County Executive's position. Coliseum will be saved. Jeremy said he considered the plans to be moving in a positive direction.
- b. Jeremy said he thought the new state budget was pretty generous in terms of human services. He said that Dane County was moving into Family Care, a Medicare-based program and he added that the physically disabled are opposed to this plan.

6. Approval of minutes

Bill made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes; Liz seconded. The minutes were approved as presented.

7. Newsletter deadlines

Articles are due to Liz by 3/24. The newsletter will be ready to deliver by 3/31. The Spring neighborhood meeting is planned for 4/25.

8. Announcements, updates, and good works

None.

9. 2017 SHNA budget

Bill reviewed the proposed budget. After adjustment of a couple of the line items, Barb made a motion to approve and Stan seconded and the proposed budget was approved. The budget will be presented to the membership at the spring meeting.

10. Proposed events

- a. Spring Harbor Easter egg hunt—Aaron presented the idea for this event; no objections were voiced. Aaron will formulate a budget and plan to present at the March meeting.
- b. Indian Hills Gathering—Aaron plans to organize again this year.

11. Planning and Development Discussion and Updates

- a. Herman recommended having a discussion on how to standardize the neighborhood association's tracking and response to planning and development projects in the neighborhood. Herman said that since 2012, all developers/homeowners with conditional use projects must come to neighborhood associations to present plans. Herman recommended that the neighborhood association be ready to respond to planning initiatives and he acknowledged that this puts a burden on the association. Herman recommended that the Board think about how to identify interested people

who have the background and are interested in participating on a planning committee and make them official members of the Board (would need to amend the by-laws). Herman also advocated putting into writing how the Board should communicate with the Alder about development projects. Herman would also like entered into the minutes when there are no objections about plans. Janet said that it is important to have a process that ensures that people document that they have talked to neighbors. Discussion to be continued.

- b. Herman said Jussi Snellman has submitted a request for a review of a proposal to build a 24x24 garage addition to the existing garage at 5609 Taychopera Road. After a review of the plans, the Board formulated this statement: This request was submitted to the Board by email; no objections were raised.
- c. Street parking—future discussion
- d. Hilldale hotel proposal—future discussion

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Date of next meeting – Tues, 3/14

Minutes submitted by Mary Beth Dunning