

**SPRING HARBOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING  
7:00 P.M. Tuesday, January 14, 2014  
Dale Heights Church**

**Approved Minutes**

Board members in attendance: Mary Beth Dunning, Bill Fitzpatrick, Kim McBride, Stan Fuka, Greg Hull, Jeff Schneider, and Barb Schultz-Becker

Others in attendance: Jeremy Levin, Mark Clear and Dan Graupner (Lake Mendota Drive), and Aaron Crandall (Flambeau Road)

Meeting called to order - 7:00PM

December meeting minutes

Approved, with minor changes.

Treasurer's Report-Bill Fitzpatrick

Bill presented two budget reports.

First, Bill reviewed his final report of the 2013 budget. [Two minor changes to the report he gave at the December board meeting: one more paid membership and a slight increase in paid interest.] The report was unanimously approved.

Bill then presented the proposed 2014 budget. The items that generated the most discussion were the Halloween Party and Room, Parks/natural area (vegetative management plan) and the Jazz Concert.

Vegetative Management Plan: Bill provided the contractors' updated estimate for the removal of invasive species in the Spring Harbor Park area:

21 work days instead of 20, hourly rate increase from \$30 to \$32.

Labor—21 days x 8 hrs x \$32/hr = \$5376

Chipper rental: 2 days x \$200/day = \$400

Chemical Garlon 3A (2 gal) = \$130

Total = \$5906

Bill explained that the increased cost exceeds the \$5000 originally approved by the neighborhood association membership (with the neighborhood association and the Indian Hill Garden Club sharing the cost).

\$1963.25 in allocated funds remain to cover SHNA's share. Bill proposed increasing the 2013 line item from \$2000 to \$3000 for 2014 and suggested that the funds to cover the difference could be moved from the General Fund, or gotten from some other source such as fundraising. Greg expressed concern that \$3000 will be over half of the total available funds.

Halloween Party: A budget of \$500 was established, with the understanding that expenses exceeding that amount will need to be reviewed.

Labor Day Music in the Park: A budget of \$500 to cover the fee for the band was established, based on the fee for the July 2013 concert, but Barb Schultz-Becker indicated that it may be necessary to pay the band more next time. She said there was no cost for the park permit and the food was donated. There was general agreement that this was a popular and successful event that people would like to see repeated.

The proposed 2014 budget was voted on and approved unanimously.

#### County Supervisor's Report—Jeremy Levin

- There will not be a county primary this spring.
- The county board approved a non-binding referendum to be placed on the April 1 ballot calling for the legalization of marijuana.
- The board also passed a resolution calling for the nonpartisan system to draw up legislative districts at all levels of government across the state.

#### City Alder's Report—Mark Clear

- The stabilization work to prevent run off in Owen Park is three-fourths completed.
- The City's TIFF policy is being finalized. Mark said he will be explaining the changes on his blog post.

#### Spring Newsletter and Meeting

After some discussion about calendar conflicts, a date was set for the spring membership meeting: Thursday, April 24.

The newsletter timeline was established: Newsletter ready to deliver on 3/31; articles to Greg by 3/20 (who will get them to Liz by 3/24; the request for articles will go out on 3/1. Bill will help review submissions.

More discussion about the newsletter and the membership meeting will take place at the February board meeting.

#### Website

Greg suggested that the website could be improved and there was a brief discussion about how to approach this undertaking. No immediate action to be taken.

#### Coyotes

There was brief discussion about what can be done about the coyotes and dog attacks in the neighborhood. Kim reminded the group that she had written an article about this for the spring newsletter. Kim will send the article to Mary Beth to post on the website. No other action was taken.

#### Development Update—Herman Felstehausen

No report-Herman not at meeting.

#### Other business

Dan Graupner (Lake Mendota Drive), and Aaron Crandall (Flambeau Road) are new residents in the neighborhood and both came to the meeting to introduce themselves and to learn more about the meetings and the neighborhood association.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 11

Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM