

**SPRING HARBOR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
7:00 P.M. Tuesday, June 9, 2015
Dale Heights Church**

Approved Minutes

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

Others in attendance: Herman Felstehausen, Jeremy Levin

Minutes Approval

May meeting minutes, approved with changes.

Treasurer's Report—Bill Fitzpatrick

Bill Fitzpatrick reported that there several new donations since the May report.

There was a brief discussion about putting a message in summer newsletter about an opportunity to pay dues in person at the 4th of July picnic. Mary Beth asked that a reminder that donations in support of the Shorewood Hills firetruck and fireworks will be collected at the picnic be added, too.

Discussion of Possible Salt Pilot Program in Spring Harbor

Greg Hull led a discussion about how to approach developing this pilot project. Herman Felstehausen commented that he was impressed that the media has picked up the story of high level of salt in the ground water in our area, possibly because Joe Grande (Water Quality Manager for Madison Water Utility) has been saying publicly that, without substantial improvement, Well 14 will not continue to function.

Jeremy Levin suggested an open letter sent to relevant city and county agencies would be a good place to start. Greg asked Herman if he would draft this letter. Herman said he is not able to work on it right now, but will consider it later.

No other action was taken at the meeting.

Development Update

5404 Lake Mendota Drive —Herman, Greg, Mark Clear, the owners of 5404 Lake Mendota Drive, and city staff, will meet on June 15th to talk about revised building plans. The meeting with the Alder and city planning staff is considered a courtesy meeting to look at the draft of the revised plans; this is a technical review and no decisions will be made. If city staff think the required changes have been made, Mark will come back to the neighborhood to talk about another special meeting with the home owners to look at the revised plans.

University Crossing Development—Herman reminded the group that in the original site plan, the area beyond the UW Health clinic parking lot was designated a bioretention area, but was not completed. A 10,000 sq. ft. area has been partitioned and turned over to City for the development of the bioretention area. Herman described some of the work to be done to make rain water flow into the basin. The water will not go into the ground water, but will instead go into a French drain, then into the storm drain and then into Spring Harbor. This process removes sediment, but not saline. A fiber mat has been laid over the hillside to control erosion. Five acres near the roundabout have been left for development. UW Health owns this area and bought it for future development, such as expanding the clinic building.

Herman added that he advocates promoting the neighborhood as a green neighborhood because of the five bioswales in the area (turtle garden, Norman Way parking lot, Indian Hills Park, University Crossing development, Hickory Hollow development) and a sixth on Old Middleton Road and because bioswales remove contaminants before going into the storm water.

Indian Hills Gathering Recap—Aaron Crandall

Aaron reported that a small number of people attended, but that it was fun and new people came. There was a discussion about moving next year's event to a later date and to a weekend when there wasn't so much going on (IHGC plant sale, UW graduation) in order to help increase attendance.

There was a discussion about buying a couple of pop-up tents that be used year after year (and at other neighborhood events) as more cost effective than renting a tent. There was general agreement that this was a good idea. Aaron will research tents to buy and the purchase can be voted on by email.

Labor Day Music Event in Spring Harbor Park

Barb Schultz-Becker will write an article about the event to put in the summer newsletter. Barb proposed renting the middle school gym as a back-up location in case of rain. There was a short discussion about whether this was possible on a holiday and what it might cost. Mary Beth will check on the cost of renting the school gym on a holiday.

There was a discussion about having signs made to help advertise the event. Jeanette will gather information on the cost of signage.

The fee for the musicians was voted on and approved (2 hours of playing, \$400 for group/\$100 per musician).

County Board Supervisor Report—Jeremy Levin

Jeremy gave an update on the status of the location of the day resource center (will not be in the town of Madison, other locations being considered) and Enbridge's request to increase the flow of crude oil through the pipeline that passes through Dane County.

City Update—Mark Clear

None.

Other Business

Make Madison Music—Aaron said that three groups, and possibly a fourth, are scheduled to perform in Spring Harbor Park on June 21, as part of this city-wide event. Aaron will send info to Mary Beth to put on the website.

Harbor Arms Apartments—Barb reported that the property had been sold and will be locally managed. The new owner is interested in making improvements to the complex.

Summer Newsletter—Articles are due on Friday, 6/12. Greg will send newsletter assignments by email.

Greg said that fundraising and city grants will be on a future agenda.

Shary said that she will contact Mark Clear about the dead trees along University Avenue and better signage for EVP Coffee.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 14
Meeting adjourned around 8:30.

Minutes submitted by Mary Beth Dunning