

6/12/12 SHNA Board Meeting
Approved Minutes

Board members in attendance: Shary Bisgard, Stan Fuka, Greg Hull, Kim McBride, Barb Schultz-Becker, Jeff Schneider and Jeanette Tierney

Others in attendance: County Board Supervisor Jeremy Levin and Mary and Mike Schlageter and their builder, Scott Paulson

Treasurer's Report:
None

5/8/12 Board Meeting Minutes Approval
Approved with several word changes

5430 Lake Mendota Drive

Owners Mary and Mike Schlageter and their builder, Scott Paulson, presented their plans for a house on the lake. They told the SHNA board:

- The driveway will be placed on Clifford Court
- No plantings will be in the right-of-way
- The garage will be 20 by 20 feet
- Lot coverage is 35 to 38% of the lot, including the driveways and walkways
- The building meets the city's height requirement
- One side lot is 9'.2" from the lot line and the other 8'8"
- Installing pumps but hoping homeowners won't have to use them; they hope to drain any excess water
- Lower level will be half basement/half slab
- Following dark sky requirements
- Not asking for any variances
- Will be presenting at the July 9 Plan Commission hearing
- Hope to begin building August 15.
- Taking out one telephone pole and installing a new one in a better location
- Will be new sewer line to street so half of the street will be torn up for half a day.

County Board Supervisor Report

- The county has purchased 40 acres on Lake Wabesa which expands the county park boundaries.
- The zoo plans to begin serving healthier food.
- The Health and Human Resources Committee on which he serves will be working with the city and outside groups focused on achieving a more cooperative approach to homelessness.

- The county is adding more compressed natural gas vehicles to its fleet. Two high school students who have applied and been accepted will be assigned to each of the county's 6 standing committees.
- Electronic recycling will take place this weekend at the Alliant Energy Center; electronics can be dropped off with no recycling fee.
- He voted against the ban on elephants in circuses in Dane County. The Zor circus will be allowed to feature elephants until their contract with the county expires.

Watch Committee Report

Barb Schultz-Becker said the committee is trying to find an effective facilitator to administer the grant from the city. The committee has interviewed two candidates so far and has decided to seek to interview a third candidate. The Boys and Girls' Club may agree to facilitate. It's not been decided yet whether to interview residents from the entire neighborhood or to focus on the area that is experiencing some problems. The grant money must be spent by the end of December 2012. A motion was made and passed by the board giving the president authority to sign a contract with a facilitator and data analyst in accordance with the contract with the city to carry out the obligations for the grant.

Newsletter volunteers

Shary Bisgard said that some years ago, an area 5 director moved away and did not share the list of volunteers to deliver the newsletter with her successor before she left. To avoid losing this important information, Shary suggested that copies of the six area newsletter distribution lists be given to Greg Hull to keep in the president's file.

Neighborhood Sign

Greg Hull gave an update on having our neighborhood sign restored. Grant Frautschi has been very active in pursuing a solution with the city to have the sign restored or replaced by the city.

July 4th Parade and Picnic

Jeanette Tierney is coordinating the planning for the parade and picnic. Since she will be away on July 4th, Barb Schultz-Becker and Ann Sowaske will oversee the day's events.

Merrill Spring Public Input Meeting

Greg Hull will contact Alderman Mark Clear and ask Mark to bring city park division staff to the meeting to make a presentation. Greg will try to reserve the larger room in the Dale Heights Church basement for the meeting.

Garage Sale Signs

Greg Hull said the signs used to announce the neighborhood garage sale need to be replaced before next year's garage sale. Greg said he will contact several

sign makers to get an estimate of the cost. Since 5 garden club plant sale signs are missing, Jeanette Tierney asked Greg if he would share the information with the garden club.

Bio-retention ponds:

Jeanette Tierney said the basins will be planted in July.

Alderman Mark Clear report via email

Last week's election caused rescheduling of our usual Council meeting to tonight, so I will not be at the board meeting. Here are a few updates:

University Avenue is coming along nicely and is on schedule. The switch to Phase 3 will occur between June 27 and July 3. Phase 3 moves EB traffic to the outside lane on the south side. WB traffic will remain in the outside lane on the north side as it is today. The construction zone will be in the center median area.

City engineering staff is going to take a crack (no pun intended) at repairing the SHNA sign.

Merrill Spring Park: Parks staff is preparing a proposal for cabin rental which will outline the costs and expected revenues and have an operations plan that describes how issues of parking and noise and security will be managed and how any problems will be addressed. Once that proposal exists it can be vetted by SHNA.

Other business

Shary Bisgard said she believes that if we are charging Dale Heights Church for the ad it places in SHNA's 3 yearly newsletters, the board should consider a motion at its next board meeting to waive any fees since the church allows SHNA's committees to meet at the church on a regular basis.

Shary said she would email the treasurer, Bill Fitzpatrick to ask if he had mailed our annual contribution in the amount of \$100 to the church for use of their building. She will also ask Bill if the church pays for newsletter ads. If it does, a motion will be offered at the next board meeting to waive the fee.

The next board meeting will be on Tuesday, July 10.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Shary Bisgard substituting for Mary Beth Dunning, SHNA Secretary, who is away.